

**Minutes of the meeting of Hilperton Parish Council, held at  
Hilperton Village Hall on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> of March 2024 at 7.45pm.**

2 members of the public were present.

Councillors present. Bayley, Clark, Hayes, House, Linham, Prevett, Robinson, Sawyer, Turner, Uncles, and Woolard.

**7.45pm Public Question Time.**

There were no public statements/questions. As it was not part of the formal meeting of the council, minutes were not taken.

It was agreed that the minutes of this meeting would be produced by the chairman.

**AGENDA.**

**24/68. Acceptance of apologies for absence.**

Cllr. Carbin – at Atworth Parish Council meeting. Accepted.

**24/69. Declarations of interest.**

None.

**24/70. To receive and sign the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024.**

The minutes were approved and signed as an accurate record of the meeting.

**24/71. Chairman's announcements.**

The applicant for the 'new' solar farm planning application was happy to meet PC members if requested.

**24/72. Report from Wiltshire Councillor.**

Nothing to report.

**24/73. Report from police.**

None received.

**24/74. Planning applications.**

Application PL/2024/01728 – Householder application. 178 Devizes Road. Proposal: Two storey rear extensions. Applicant: Mr. J. Hubbard.

NO OBJECTION but the parish council notes the application comments regarding trees and hedges. The parish council seeks confirmation that no trees or hedges in the front garden will be affected.

Proposed Cllr. Linham. Seconded Cllr. Robinson.

Carried nem. con. with one abstention from the chairman (Cllr. Clark).

**24/75. Planning decisions.**

PL/2023/08701 - Full Planning Permission. Knoll Farm, 56 Whaddon Lane. Proposal: Construction of an agricultural building and polytunnel. Permitted.

PL/2024/00447 - Proposed Works to Trees in a Conservation Area. 216 Church Street. Permitted.

PL/2024/02254 – Reduction of willow tree. Grangeside Workshops. Permitted.

The above decisions were noted.

**24/76. Planning appeals.**

PL/2023/08094 - 26 Horse Road - APP/Y3940/D/23/3335096. Appeal dismissed.

PL/2022/08726 – Land off Ashton Road – APP/Y3940/W/23/3331278. Appeal dismissed.

The above decisions were noted.

**24/77. HAAG/flood-warden scheme.**

A report was received from Celia Beckett on recent meetings.

It was agreed that the following be appointed flood wardens within the parish: Baz Sullivan - co-ordinator/warden, Rachel Gray - warden, Richard Jamieson – warden.

The wording of a letter to be sent to some residents in Marsh Road was agreed.

Proposed Cllr. Clark. Seconded Cllr. Hayes. Carried unanimously.

**24/78. Hilperton Neighbourhood Plan revision.**

The format of the committee was discussed and agreed. There would be no limit on the number of parishioners involved with the revision of the HNBP.

**24/79. Parish Steward.**

It was noted that any suggestions for work should be forwarded to the chairman.

**24/80. Allotments/Community Orchard.**

A report from Cllr. House was received which included an update on invoices having been sent out on 1<sup>st</sup> March, and the possibility of a community 'green waste' area.

**24/81. Speed Indicator Devices.**

Cllr. Clark reported that the posts erected for the SIDs were, apparently, not strong enough for the signs selected by the council. Smaller SID signs would seem to be the only way forward. It was agreed that alternative suggestions would be sent to all PC members by email to, hopefully, get things moving before the April PC meeting.

**24/82. War memorial.**

It was agreed that a suitable letter should be drawn-up by Cllr. Linham or Celia Beckett to be sent to Doric Developments stating that the PC was concerned about possible damage being caused to the war memorial due to water run-off from the Church Farm site. It was further agreed that both Building Control and Planning Enforcement at Wiltshire Council should be copied in.

**24/83. 'Clerk's report.'**

Bus stop and noticeboard cleaning. Cllr. Clark was waiting for an email from the contractor. Parish mapping. Cllr. Clark reported that he was unclear who this topic was contracted to. He suggested deferring until the new clerk was in place.

**24/84. Approval of invoice for payment.**

The following item was approved for payment.

1827 CloudyIT monthly fee invoice £157.56 (including £26.26 VAT

Proposed Cllr. Clark. Seconded Cllr. Uncles. Approved unanimously.

**24/85. Appointment of Parish Clerk.**

Owing to holidays, no decision had been made by the Staffing Committee.

**24/86. Meetings for councillors to consider attending.**

None.

**24/87. Correspondence received.**

Clerks & Councils direct magazine.

**24/88. Items for future meetings.**

None.

**24/89. Items for notice board or publication.**

None.

**24/90. Date, time, and venue for the next parish council meeting.**

Tuesday April 16<sup>th</sup> 2024, commencing 7.45pm at Hilperton Village Hall, Whaddon Lane.

Meeting closed at 8.38.

Signed .....

Dated 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024.