

## Hatfield & District Group Parish Council

Minutes of the one hundred and seventy ninth Ordinary meeting of Hatfield & District Group Parish Council held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at Pudleston Village Hall at 7.00pm

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| Present: | Clare Hadley | Chairman      |
|          | Mike Bufton  | Robert Hanson |
|          | Mary Morris  | Ryan Price    |
|          | Adam Lewis   |               |

Also attending SD Hanson (Clerk)

1. **Apologies** were received from HCWM Bruce Baker (Holiday)
2. **Declaration of interests and written applications for dispensations** None received.
3. It was resolved to adopt the minutes of the 13<sup>th</sup> September 2023 meeting. The minutes were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

#### 4. To receive a brief verbal report from:

- 4.1 Ward Councillor Bruce Baker (Absent)
- 4.2 To Note To receive views of Local residents on Parish Matters (10 minutes) to include Pudleston Village Hall Update. The Clerk read out a report she had received from the Chairman of PVH (filed with Minutes) The Chairman thanked PVH (in their absence) for the informative update.

#### 5. FINANCE

- 5.1 Treasurer's Account Balance Reconciliation at Bank Statement to be checked & Signed £18,472.18
- 5.2 Precept ½ Annual £3,000 Received 15/09/23
- 5.3 Cheques to be passed for payment PVH Hire inc. 25% winter charge £18.75 (616) Clerk's wage £\*\*\*\* (617) Clerk's Expenses £36.14 (618) Clare Hadley Executive Committee meeting Travel Expenses £17.65 (619) Eyelid Productions Ltd website & email migration £150.00 (620) HALC Invoice re 03/10/22 Training £528.00 (621)
- 5.3 Budget The members considered and approved the Budget for 2024-25 Due to the high reserves it was resolved to maintain the previous year's precept.
- 5.4 Precept It was proposed to ask £6,000.00 Precept, all in favour **Resolved.**

#### 6. PLANNING

- 6.1 Consider comments on the following planning applications for determination by Herefordshire Council  
232788 Proposed installation of studio and greenhouse, The Grain Store 5 Meadow Bank **Hatfield**  
**No Objections**
- 6.2 To Note Planning Applications Approval/Refusal by Herefordshire Council  
220724 Proposed erection of an agricultural workers dwelling & associated development Lower Nicholson **Hatfield** **Approved with Conditions**  
232587 Proposed erection of garden shed, carport and greenhouse 7 Meadow Bank **Hatfield**  
**Approved with conditions**

7. Gov.uk domain Update (website and email addresses for Clerk & Councillors)  
**New PC website:** hatfield-districtgroup-pc.gov.uk Clerk's new [emailclerk@hatfield-districtgroup-pc.gov.uk](mailto:emailclerk@hatfield-districtgroup-pc.gov.uk).

Signed.....Dated 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024

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## 8. HIGHWAYS

Bell Lane just on the junction by Whyte Lane was still in a deplorable condition and at the other end of Whyte Lane that was also experiencing problems. MM said she would make sure it was all reported and it was suggested we could have a parish walk with the Locality Steward regarding trouble spots in Hatfield & Pudleston.

The Chairman gave a copy of Herefordshire Council's Department of Transport additional investment for C and U roads. Hatfield C1060 – from A.44 to C1059, near Hatfield had been included in the first batch of repairs

## 9. To Note Information Sheet

9.1 Assistant Police Crime Commissioner meeting BB was trying to arrange a meeting for the assistant crime commissioner to talk to Councillors and Clerks in the Hampton Ward.

9.2 Halc Information.

9.3 **Clerk Salary** reference EO2-23 / 2023-24 National Salary Award See attached Sheet The members agreed to the National Salary Award increase in the Clerk's wages (Model Contract) Proposed by CH Seconded by AL 5 members in favour **Resolved**. (RH abstained from Vote)

9.4 The Gaggles Pudleston Court An application has been received for the grant of a premises Licence. **Monday – Thursday 09.00 – 17.00 Friday – Saturday 09.00 – 18.00** The members had concerns about this application; the Clerk was asked to find out further information . Comments were due by 01/12/23

9.5 The Clerk gave out a list of proposed Ordinary Meeting dates for 2024 (January, March, May, July, September, and November. ) She would contact PVH booking Secretary.

9.6 A Hatfield resident and written asking if the PC would consider giving funding for Hatfield parishioners towards "Roundabout" a Church magazine or consider advertising in it. The PC advertises on its own website and on Notice boards in the group areas . An Agenda is sent in the form of a newsletter to subscribers. At present, **Local Government Act 1894 provides that parish and town councils cannot give funding to ecclesiastical charities**. The group Parish Council comprises of three parishes, Hatfield, Pudleston and Docklow. The Clerk was asked to write to HALC for further/future clarification.

9.7 Talk Community

10. To consider matters as Agenda items for next meeting (No Discussion)  
Agricultural Planning in Docklow

10. Date of Next Meeting (proposed) 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.20pm

Signed.....Dated 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024