

# Hatfield & District Group Parish Council

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Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the parishes of Hatfield & Newhampton, Docklow & Hampton Wafre and Pudleston held on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at 7.00pm at Pudleston Village Hall.

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| Present Chairman | CS Hadley | AM Lewis  |
|                  | MJ Bufton | RM Hanson |
|                  | MA Morris |           |

Also present: 3 members of public, and SD Hanson (Clerk)

1. The Chairman warmly welcomed everyone to the Annual Prish Meeting .
2. Apologies None received
3. Minutes of the APM held on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023 were read.(previously circulated)
4. Chairman's Update  
The Chairman read her report from 2024, she added whilst writing a brief synopsis of the last year, she had checked on her 2023 Report. Disappointingly the 2023 Report reads very similar to the 2024 Report. (below )
5. There being no further comment or discussion the APM closed at 7.10pm

## Chairman's Report 2024

*When I set about writing a brief synopsis of the last year, I looked at what I had written last year.*

*Disappointingly it is very similar to this year, pot holes and the parlance state of the roads in the Parish, but Pudleston in particular, do not appear to have made much progress, despite numerous for requests for action.*

*There is a very contentious planning application in Hatfield for which we have held 3 extraordinary meetings for in total as the powerful feeling in the village towards this continues, and has been discussed within and without a Parish Council meeting for the last 2 years, is approaching yet another target determination date, a request for the result of this to go to committee has been requested, with the likely out come of this pending and the pot hole/road situation I certainly feel that the role of a Parish Councillor would appear to be a lost cause, however much you wish to support your parishioners and get their causes actioned, can meet with very disappointing and frustrating results.*

*There is also the planning for the Kimbolton Parish that has rumbled on for an equally long time, which we neighbour as a Parish, but that decision is rightly out of our hands, it also has a determination date imminent.*

*Let's hope we get resolution to both of these and improvement in our road surfaces.*

Signed.....Dated .....