

# Hullavington Parish Council

## Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday 13 March 2024 at 19:30 in the Village Hall.

### Councillors in Attendance:

Cllr G Slaymaker – Chairman, Cllr R Anderson, Cllr J Atkey, Cllr M Cundick, Cllr S Greenman, Cllr A Maltby, Cllr D Martin and Cllr C Rawlinson.

Also present: Wiltshire Councillor N Botterill and eight members of the public.

**Public Question Time** – an opportunity for members of the Public to address the Council on any Council matter before the meeting commences. (limited to 10 minutes),

A parishioner stated that parked cars on The Street obscured visibility when exiting Watts Lane and recently caused an accident. Cllr Botterill offered to advise the PCSO about the problem. Another parishioner asked a question if the Neighbourhood Plan was going to be extended or renewed. It was explained that if a new plan was made or the current plan was extended it would bring more development which would require prior consultation with the parishioners.

### 72/24 Apologies for absence

Cllr A Slater prior appointment.

### 73/24 Declaration(s) of Interest - In accordance with the Parish Councils Model Code of Conduct Order 2001 and revised Wiltshire Council Model Code of Conduct July 2012

Cllr J Atkey declared an interest in agenda items 6e and 6f as he is a member of the group  
Cllr M Cundick declared an interest in agenda items 6e and 6f as she works at The Tap café/bar  
Cllr C Rawlinson declared an interest in agenda items 6e and 6f as he was a former member of the group.

**74/24 Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting** – To receive and agree as a true record of the Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 14 February 2024. The minutes were signed as a correct record.

**75/24 Clerk's Report** – To note items received for circulation and/or future discussion and items to be updated from the last meeting.  
The report was circulated for Councillors and appended.

**76/24 Planning Applications** – to note observations on applications received and to record comments on applications currently circulated or received after publication of agenda. All applications must conform to the Hullavington Neighbourhood Plan Policies.

- i. PL/2022/07328– The Hullavington Arms – amended application – awaiting Wiltshire Council's decision.
- ii. PL/2023/02594 – The Old Bakery, 1 Gibbs Lane – awaiting Wiltshire Council's decision.

### 77/24 Finance and Administration

#### a) Schedule of receipts and payments

Receipts of £321.57 – reclaimed VAT and donation for the bier. Payments of £2,547.95 for staff and admin costs, donations and PWLB loan. This was proposed by Cllr Cundick, seconded by Cllr Anderson and unanimously agreed. All documents were available at the meeting and signed.

#### b) Update on the review of the Hullavington Parish Council Community Resilience Plan

Cllr Atkey has completed the plan, which was agreed.

#### c) Update on repairs for the wall of the garden area behind the bus shelter, fencing along the green and the cemetery wall rebuild and path repairs.

It was proposed by Cllr Anderson, seconded by Cllr Maltby and unanimously agreed for the black fencing to be installed at the cemetery.

d)

- To discuss how to make the Parish carbon neutral by 2050 through encouragement of use of alternative energy techniques.
- To discuss what decisions and encouragement can be taken forward to increase biodiversity in the Parish.
- To discuss setting up a working group to develop a parish wide biodiversity action plan.

Later considerations and beyond the scope and achievement of a Parish Council.  
(Government laws policies and worldwide initiatives).

- To discuss to call on Wiltshire Council and Westminster to provide the powers and resourced to make the 2050 target possible.
- To discuss to work with other local government authorities to determine and implement best practice methods to limit global warming to less than 1.5°C.
- To discuss to work with partners in the private sector and civil society across the Parish and wider region to deliver this new goal through all relevant strategies and plans.

Cllr Rawlinson offered to enquire if any ecologist students would like to carry out a project/study of the Parish.

e) **Consideration to grant £2,000 to a community group for the purpose of requesting a certified valuation to be conducted of The Old Stables located in the grounds of the Hullavington Arms by a Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyor (RICS).**

Some information had been received the night before the meeting. The Parish Council had further questions which would need to be answered before making a fully informed decision. It was agreed that Cllr Maltby would circulate the questions to be asked and send these to Simon Durrant, who had submitted the request. Simon requested an answer before the next meeting as he had been informed that the funding would not be available after the end of March 2024. The Chairman offered to call and arrange an extra ordinary meeting.

f) **Consideration to Pledge/Donate £20,000 for match funding of a Community Ownership Fund (COF) Grant request to purchase The Old Stables to be run as a community owned Café and Pub.**

Further information is required before a fully informed decision can be made.

g) **Consideration of lighting a beacon for the D Day Remembrance.**

It was agreed that Cllr Slaymaker and Cllr Martin will light the beacon for the Remembrance.

h) **Consideration of the Annual Parish Meeting arrangements – set up, speakers.**

It was agreed a new format by having 'stalls' around the Church to enable the various groups to promote themselves and answer questions in a less formal way and submit a written report to the Clerk of the Parish Council to add to the minutes.

i) **Councillor training.**

Cllr Anderson will obtain free dates of the hall and circulate for a decision.

#### **78/24 Date of next meeting**

Ordinary meeting Wednesday 10 April 2024 in the village hall.

Annual Parish Meeting Wednesday 24 April 2024 in the Church (this is not a Parish Council meeting).

Meeting closed at 9.30pm.