

**Carsington & Hopton Parish Council**  
**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at St Margaret's Church on Monday**  
**11 July 2022 at 7.16pm**

Present: Chairman: R. Miles  
Councillors: H.L. Corbett, N. Edmiston, and M. Wilson

Also, in Attendance: Kath Gruber (Parish Clerk)  
Two members of the public

**NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

**FC/0722/01 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor S. Mitchell and Councillor D. Murphy (DDDC)

**FC/0722/02 Variation of Order of Business**

None

**FC/0722/03 Declaration of Members Interest**

The following declarations were noted:

Item 7b – Councillor Miles

Item 13 (22/00728/FUL) – Councillor Miles

**FC/0722/04 Public Speaking**

Resident

Gave detailed information relating to planning application 22/00728/FUL and objections to. Invited the Council to view the development. Issued a written statement and photographs supporting objections.

**FC/0722/05 Exclusion of the Public**

**Resolved:** to exclude the public for item 13 (staff matters).

**FC/0722/06 Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings**

**Resolved:** that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 9 May 2022 were confirmed as a correct record under the provisions for approval and signed by the Chair

**FC/0722/07 Village Matters**

a. Defibrillators:

- Hopton - Councillor Miles advised the signage to dial 999 for code was in place; new pads had been fitted and checks up to date.
- Carsington - Councillor Miles advised the signage to dial 999 for code was in place. Clerk advised Webnos was showing some maintenance checks outstanding and it was **Resolved:** Councillor Edmiston to carry out checks and Webnos instructions to be recirculated.

b. Village Planting Contract – the Council discussed the project proposal for developing a sensory garden and laying slabs for bug hotel in addition to the annual planting works and **Resolved:**

- Councillor Wilson to lead working group (Councillors Corbett, Edmiston, Wilson, and Mitchell) with powers to approve further works within budget of £500.

c. Village Green

- I. Sign – bigger lettering needed and ordered sign at revised cost of

- £58.99. Once arrived sign will be in place.
- II. Playground Inspection – The Council discussed the report and **Resolved:** Councillor Edmiston to a) produce response and action plan b) conduct regular local inspections and report to Council.
  - III. Grass Cutting – the Council gave thanks to David Bath for his work and commitment over many years contractor and to Spencer Tallis who cut grass for the jubilee and his generous gesture in donating payment to the village church. It was **Resolved:**
    - o to approve new contract with Hopton Estate Manager for 14 cuts pa at cost of £2,080
    - o to re-tender contract in 2023/24
- d. Queen’s Jubilee Tree – the Royalty crab apple tree is now in place with a tree guard, the Council **Resolved:**
    - Put photos on website and social media.
    - Purchase mounting for plaque.
    - Register tree on Queen’s green canopy.
  - e. Dog Waste – no issues reported. Bin at Carsington Reservoir is being chased up.
  - f. Parish Council Assets – the Clerk advised she was still to assign Councillors assets to monitor and report on at future Council meetings.

#### **FC/0722/08 Village Plan Projects**

- a) Speed Watch – **Resolved:** to follow up Councillor Mitchell accreditation and set up more sessions.
- b) Badgers – Councillor Edmiston advised he had contacted four contractors, two of whom are interested and may agree to work jointly on the new design. It was **Resolved:** to discuss designs with contractors and the committee and bring details/costs to next meeting.
- c) Bug Hotel – **Resolved:** quote of £1500 accepted; Councillors to give contractor exact location and specification.
- d) Telephone Box – Councillor Corbett advised she had discussed plans for seed exchange with joiner who had good idea of what he could, it was **Resolved:** to pick this up with joiner once bug hotel completed

#### **FC/0722/09 Windfarm Grants**

- a) St Margaret’s – Application not received and it was **Resolved:** to speed to church warden on this
- b) Fuel Poverty – Councillor Miles advised she was pleased with the scheme details and posters and it was **Resolved:** a) to put posters up in the village and email copies to school; doctors; citizen’s advice b) promote scheme on website and social media

#### **FC/0722/10 Report of the Clerk**

- I. Action Plan – progress noted
- II. General Correspondence - reviewed and noted.

#### **FC/0722/11 Finance**

- a) Payment of invoices - the Council considered the monthly payments as attached at Schedule 1 and approved the payments.
- b) Budget Summary – reviewed and noted
- c) Bank Reconciliation –approved and signed by the Chair

### **FC/0722/13 Planning Applications**

The Councillor discussed the following applications:

- 22/00447/LBALT – **Resolved:** no objections
- 22/00749/FUL – **Resolved:** to discuss aesthetics with planning and if in order, no objections
- 22/00728/FUL – **Resolved:** to review objections put forward by resident; discuss with planners and propose response

### **FC/0722/14 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils**

The Council noted the contents of circulars May, June and July 2022.

### **FC/0722/15 Items for information only**

None

### **FC/0722/16 Date and Time of Next meeting**

**Resolved:** that the next meetings of the Parish Council will take place on Monday 12 September 2022 at 7pm in Saint Margaret's Church, Carsington.

Meeting closed to public at 8.29pm

## **CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

### **FC/0722/12 Staff Matters**

The Council discussed the SLCC report, Clerk's hours and workload and **Resolved:** to discuss concerns over hours and seek guidance on home working allowance from Dalc.

### **SCHEDULE 1 - Payments**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Supplier</b>	<b>Net</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Gross</b>
Defibrillator	A Deptford	50.80	10.16	60.96
Insurance	Hiscox	65.45		65.45
	Insurance			
Pension	B&CE	21.94		21.94
	Pension			
Clerk's Salary	Kath Gruber	210.86		210.86
Postage	Royal Mail	11.49		11.49
IT Costs	Adobe	50.31	10.06	60.37
Clerk's Expenses	Kath Gruber	15.30		15.30
Project Costs	Trees	326.40		326.40
	Online			
Project Costs	RBL	120.99		120.99
Project Costs	Oak House	55.00		55.00
	Sign			
Office Supplies	amazon sarl	16.14		16.14
<b>Totals</b>		<b>944.68</b>	<b>20.22</b>	<b>964.90</b>