

58.2 Grit Bins

Councillors considered the request from Ashperton Parish Council for the replacement or repair of the Grit Bin on the pitch before Cannon Frome Cricket Ground. It was proposed that a quote for the replacement be sought and a request be sent to Ashperton Parish Council to re-site the bin to a safer location. Councillor Riga offered to meet with their representative to discuss.

RESOLUTION: That the Clerk obtain a quote for a replace grit bin and Councillor Riga meet with Ashperton Parish Councils representative to discuss a better location.

59. Munsley WI Hall

As Councillor Lynch was unable to attend the Munsley WI Hall meeting Councillor Swaites attended in his place and presented his report of the meeting with the main points being: Councillor Swaites suggested the committee research the heirs to the site and establish the rights to the land. The repairs to the roof will cost in excess of £20,000.

RESOLUTION: That the report be noted.

60. Ashperton Railway Bridge

Councillor Swaites presented photographs he had taken of the condition of Ashperton Bridge. These photographs showed the issues with gaps, shifting a cracking of the pillars and a large gap down the embankment with no safety measures.

RESOLUTION: That the photographs be sent to Network Rail copying in Hereford Highways and Highways Cabinet Councillor Barry Durkin and Ward Member Jonathan Lester.

61. Defibrillator

Councillor Swaites reported his inspection of the batteries and the pads on the Parish Defibrillator. The batteries are fine but the pads need replacing.

RESOLUTION: That the Clerk purchase pad replacements.

62. Cider Press

Councillor Lynch offered to compose a report for submission in the Cider Press and send on to the clerk, it was agreed

RESOLUTION: That the report be submitted.

63. Financial Items

63.1 Clerks Pay Scales

Councillors considered the new Clerk Pay Scales and the back payment from April 2023.

RESOLUTION: That the SCP pay scale 15 be awarded to the clerk and the increase be implemented back dated to April 2023.

63.2 Budget-Precept 2024-2025

Councillors considered the budget for 2024/2025 and felt that the budget should remain as per the previous year with a slight increase in subscriptions to cover any increases. Therefore, setting the precept at £8,580.00

RESOLUTION: That the budget and Precept of £8,580 be accepted and approved

63.3 Financial Report

Councillors considered the summary of receipts and payment to the 30th November 2023.

RESOLUTION: That The summary of Receipts and Payments be accepted and signed.

63.4 Bank Reconciliation

The Clerk presented the Bank reconciliation for the period to 30th November 2023 showing a bank balance of £ 17,476.72.

63.55 Invoices for Payment

Councillors considered the payment of the invoices for:

Staff Salaries	January 2024	£326.38
Expenses		£50.00
HALC Subscription		£677.64

RESOLUTION: That the payment of the invoices as above be approved.

64. Correspondence

Councillors considered the list of Correspondence received: Locality Report, Street works.

RESOLUTION: That the list of Correspondence received be accepted.

65. Matters to be raised for the next meeting

Defibrillator, Ashperton Railway Bridge, Pickling plant, A4172 Speed reduction, Sandbags, Munsley Hall.

66. Date of Next meeting

The next meeting is currently scheduled for the 11th March 2024

Signed _____

Date _____

Chairman