

PIXLEY & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held in Putley Parish Hall On Monday 30th January 2023

Chairman	A Mawby	
Councillors	P Hawker	K Lynch
	A Riga	C Smart
	S Swaithe	B Sugden
	E Thompson	
Also Present	D Baldwin	Clerk to the Council

58. Apologies for absence – No apologies for absence all present.

59. To receive Declarations of Interest

Councillor E Thompson declared an interest to Item 10 on the agenda.

60. Public Participation

No members of the public present.

Councillor J Lester presented his report, with the main points being:

The cabinet discussing the Herefordshire Council budget to put forward to full council with a possible raise of Council tax by 4.99%, Offsted inspector appointed to investigate children's services with a published report by the end of February.

61. Minutes

Councillor Swaithe questioned that minute item 54 should include the contacting of Herefordshire Council to report the incident of the alleged dumping of waste into Ludstock brook. With this amendment the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 5th December 2022, were approved as a correct record of that meeting and signed by the Chairman.

62. Planning

62.1 Planning Applications

Site	Poolside, Ashperton, HR8 2SE
Description	Proposed side and rear extensions
223987	No objections

62.2 Planning Decisions

None received

63. Highways

63.1 Footpaths

No report available to be placed on the next agenda.

63.2 Councillors noted the Highways reporting procedure for Parish Councillors, to report all defects and issues on the Highway and Public Realm via the Herefordshire Council and the designated phone number for urgent issues. call 01432 261800

63.3 Flooding

Councillors considered the several areas of road flooding within the parishes. It was suggested that a parish Walk with the Locality Officer be arranged to highlight the problem areas and other highways issues. Councillors A Mawby, A Riga, and B Sugden volunteered to attend

RESOLUTION: That a Parish Walk be arranged with the Locality Officer to highlight Highways Issues.

64. Aylton Green

Councillor A Riga thanked Councillor Mawby for his help arranging the transportation of the seat. With the passing of Queen Elizabeth II, Councillor Riga suggested that the plaque be changed to commemorate her Reign with the wording as follows:

This, the 2002 Golden Jubilee palisade, was repurposed to form a seat in commemoration of the Reign of Queen Elizabeth II, 1952 -2022.

This was agreed and approval given to proceed with the plaque up to a budget of £150. It was also noted the Perry pear tree is in need of pruning. Councillor Smart and Riga offered to do so.

RESOLUTION: That the change to the wording on the plaque and the cost of up to £150 be approved.

65. Ashperton Railway Bridge

Councillors considered the response received from Network rail concerning the condition of Ashperton Railway bridge. The Network Rail structures team undertake a regular regime of annual examinations to ensure that the structure remains fit for purpose. If there are any defects found, which require urgent attention, repairs will be addressed as soon as is reasonably practicable. It was suggested that sight of these reports be requested in order to establish compliance and to further ask that a representative of the Parish Council attend the annual structure inspection.

RESOLUTION: That the Clerk request a copy of the Structures team report and attendance of the annual inspection.

66. Parish Council Meeting Venue

Councillors considered the meeting venue for the Parish Council. It was decided that the next meeting to be moved to Pixley Church as a trial, but to continue to look at the suitability of Munsley Hall.

RESOLUTION: That the next meeting be held in Pixley Church.

67. Cider Press

Councillors considered the content for the Cider press Magazine. The clerk will put together a report for submission with the following items, May 2023 Elections, Ashperton Railway Bridge, and Aylton Green Commemorative seat.

68. Training

The Clerk informed Councillors that the next round of HALC Councillor training would be scheduled for after the elections in May/June 2023.

69. Defibrillator

It was noted that the service on the Parish Defibrillator was overdue.

RESOLUTION: That the defibrillator service be booked as asap.

70. Financial Items

70.1 Financial Report

Councillors considered the summary of receipts and payment to the 31st December 2022.

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

70.2 Bank Reconciliation

The Clerk presented the Bank reconciliation for the period to 31st December 2022 showing a bank balance of £15404.25

70.3 Precept Budget 2023/24

Councillors considered the budget for 2023/2024 by considering each budget and should remain as per the previous year with a slight increase in Insurance and venue hire to cover any increases. .

RESOLUTION: That the budget be accepted and approved

70.4 Invoices for Payment

Councillors considered the payment of the invoices for:

Staff Salaries	January	£292.38
Staff Salaries	February	TBC
Expenses		£50.00
Eyelid Productions		£100.00

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

71. Elections May 2023

It was noted of the introduction of a photo ID at this year's local elections. Voters will not be able to vote at polling stations unless they have a photo ID. It was felt that this should be placed into the Cider Press and the Parish Council to inform the electorate

RESOLUTION: That the need for Photo ID at polling stations be included in the Cider press report and placed on the Parish Council website.

72. Correspondence

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

RESOLUTION: That the list of Correspondence received be accepted.

73. Matters to be raised for the next meeting

Defibrillator, Ashperton Railway Bridge.

74. Date of Next meeting

The next meeting is currently scheduled for the 27th March 2023

Signed _____

Date _____

Chairman