

**Minutes of the Hale Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2022 at 8.00pm in Hale Village Hall. (directly after the Annual Parish Assembly).**

**Present:** Gemmell (Chair), Gillmon, Kyle, and Vickery.

**In attendance:** The clerk and ten members of the public.

**22.31 TO RECEIVE ANY APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** - Cllrs Breedon and Lavis

**22.32 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS** - To receive declarations of interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and to agree any dispensation requests. None received.

**22.33 MINUTES**

22.33.1 To consider and resolve to approve the minutes of the Hale Parish Council meetings held on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022.

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022.

22.33.2 Note matters arising from the minutes not elsewhere on the agenda.

**Tree at Hatchet Green** –The clerk continues to liaise with the contractor to secure a date for the work to be carried out.

**22.34 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** - Members of the public are invited to address the council on agenda matters or raise any matters not otherwise on the agenda. None received.

**21.35 PLANNING APPLICATION** - To consider the response to the following applications.

**Case Ref:** 22/00144

**Proposed Works:** Replacement dwelling; 1 No outbuilding; hardstanding; demolition of existing dwelling.

**Site Address:** Tree Tops, Hale Road, Hale, SP6 2NW

The applicant and neighbours presented at the meeting. It was unanimously agreed and **RESOLVED** to recommend Option 4 REFUSAL for the following reasons :-

**DP35 and DP36** –Hale Parish Council believes that further clarification is required from the NPA to ascertain if the floor space has increased beyond the 30% permitted under DP36.

**DP37** – Hale Parish Council are concerned with the dominance of the garage, particularly in respect to neighbours and the gable end wall dominating the footpath and road.

**DP2** – Hale Parish Council believes that the application does not meet the design principles of DP2 in terms of “scale, appearance, form, siting and layout.” The proposed new dwelling significantly overlooks the neighbouring property to the south and will promote shading of the garden and property to the north.”

Hale Parish Council believe that there are some good aspects of design incorporated into the proposal, but the long and narrow nature of the plot accentuates the issues of overlooking and its dominance over the neighbouring properties with the 2m increased ridge height.

Hale Parish Council believe that although the existing dwelling is not of exceptional aesthetic or historic merit its current style is within keeping of the neighbouring properties and the scale and height of the proposed development would have a high impact on the street scene character and appearance of the surrounding area.

**Case Ref:** 22/00181

**Proposed works:** Replacement windows to rear extension (Application for Listed Building consent)

**Site Address:** Old Dames School, Hatchet Green, Hale, SP6 2NB.

It was unanimously agreed and **RESOLVED** to recommend Option 1 *PERMISSION, but would accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers.*

**Case Ref:** 22/000223

**Proposed works:** Garage; demolition of existing garage.

**Sire Address:** Brambly Hedge, Forest Road, Hale, SP6 2NT

It was unanimously agreed and **RESOLVED** to recommend Option 1 *PERMISSION, but would accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers.*

**22.36 HOME FARM WOODLAND MANAGEMENT PLAN** – To discuss and agree any comments to be submitted to the consultation process.

HPC would like to thank the applicants for including HPC in the consultation process. It was unanimously agreed that HPC were in agreement with the plan and had no comments to make.

**22.37 EXTERNAL MEETINGS** - To receive reports from external meetings attended.

*Hale Village Hall Management Meeting 8<sup>th</sup> March* – Cllr Gemmell attended. HPC continues discussion with the committee for the continued use of a secure fireproof cupboard for HPC to store documentation securely. The clerk will confirm what space is required.

*NPA Full Authority Meeting 24<sup>th</sup> March* – Cllr Vickery attended and spoke on behalf of HPC to represent their views in relation to the introduction of an Article 4 Direction to concerning temporary pop up campsites.

*Neighbourhood Tasking Group 30<sup>th</sup> March* – Cllr Vickery attended. This is organised by Downton Neighbourhood watch and attended by Wiltshire Police but relates to activities which extend into Hampshire villages. The police in the area are under strength and regrettably will triage all reported cases. A PSPO (Public Space Protection Order) for Downton and Redlynch is under consultation which will make it an offence to be in possession of a catapult/slingshot without good reason. The estimated date of implementation is 'early summer' and a PSPO normally last 3 years.

There has been a noticeable increase in theft of vehicles particularly Landrovers and an increase in shed break ins. There has been an increase in the riding of scooters and off road bikes by persons not wearing helmets, no VRN, in a dangerous manner posing a risk to others, on the public highway and on private property causing damage to crops. These are offences and action will be taken.

**22.38 HAMPSHIRE GREENING CAMPAIGN**- To receive an introduction to the Hampshire Greening Campaign from Cllr Kyle and approve the £50 joining fee.

Cllr Kyle attended an online introduction to the Hampshire Greening Campaign which develops solutions for climate change for communities through a structured approach and supports those communities to achieve change. The project can currently support 40 parishes. It was unanimously agreed and **RESOLVED** to join the Greening Campaign, Cllr Kyle will investigate how to move forward and discuss working with the Hale Transition Group.

**22.39 CEMETERY**– To agree to the purchase of a compost bin to be placed in the cemetery. It was **RESOLVED** to agree the purchase of a new compost bin.

#### **22.40 ACCOUNTS.**

Members **RESOLVED** to approve the accounts for the month of March.

The Treasurers account balance is currently £28,712.56 and the Business account balance is £6322.39

#### **22.41 MONTHLY PAYMENTS** - To approve the following payments:

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the following payments.

| PAYEE        | DESCRIPTION               | AMOUNT   | VAT   | PAYMENT METHOD |
|--------------|---------------------------|--|-------|----------------|
| A.Johnson    | Salary                    |  |       | Standing Order |
| Cutting Edge | Cemetery cut – March      | £90.00 ( this includes an increase of £5.00 per month) |       | Bank Transfer  |
| HALC         | Training – new councillor | £342.00  | 57.00 | Bank Transfer  |

**22.42 CORRESPONDENCE** - To consider correspondence received before 29/03/2022 and any urgent correspondence received after the agenda was finalised not dealt with elsewhere in the agenda.

#### **For information (circulated)**

25/03/22 Latest news from National Park Authority

22/03/22 Police and Crime Commissioner update

14/03/22 Friends of the New Forest – Forest Matters e-Newsletter

28/03/22 New Forest NPA – Response to the Landscapes Review.

#### **Shared on Website**

22/03/2022 NFDC plans to help residents reduce waste.

10/03/2022 Ukraine Appeal

#### **Parishioner emails/telephone calls**

3 Emails/letters regarding planning application (22/00144)

Hale Park – a letter received in response to HPC's letter concerning Harry's Meadow.

#### **22.43 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Local List Project – To be discussed at the next meeting. The Clerk will send a link with further information.

Tree at the Knoll – A tree at the Knoll (Hale Purlieu) which was damaged during a storm will be felled on 6<sup>th</sup> April for which the road will be closed for a time.

**22.44 DATE OF NEXT MEETING** - Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2022 in Hale Village Hall – this will be the Annual General Meeting.

The meeting ended at 9.10pm.

