

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Hargrave Parish Council
Held on Monday 3rd July 2023 at Hargrave Village Hall

Members present:
Cllr D Farrington in the Chair

Councillors
R Sheppard S Taylor H West S Humfryes
Clerk – Mrs S Geyton
NNC Emergency Planning - Z Westphal
DSA Engineer – Richard Jones
There were 2 members of the public.

Meeting started at 7.30pm

23-41 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor Jones and Leonard. **RESOLVED** That the reasons for absence be approved.

23-42 Minutes

RESOLVED: that the Minutes for the meeting held 26th June 2023 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

23-43 Declaration of interests

None declared.

23-44 Public Speaking Time

There were no comments from the members of the public.

23-45 Report from North Northants Councillors

Councillors did not provide an additional report.

23-46 Financial Matters

a. Payment schedule – **RESOLVED** that the following payments be authorised

Payments Authorised at the meeting:

Payee	Authorisation Power	Amount
J Hodgson – Final salary	LGA 72,s111,112	£181.96
HMRC quarterly bill	LGA 72,s111,112	£184.60
S Geyton – June Salary, travel & stationary expenses.	LGA 72,s111,112	£273.78

The following payments have been made under the Councils Direct debit arrangements

Date	Payee	Authorisation Power	Amount
08.06.23	Yu Energy – street lighting	PCA 57, s3/HA80, s301	£25.75
08.06.23	Yu Energy – street lighting	PCA 57, s3/HA80, s301	£13.06
30.06.23	Unity Trust Bank – quarterly service charge	LGA 72,s111,112	£18.00

- b. Financial report from the Clerk – The Council holds £7,987.14 in the current account and £16,424.43 in the deposit account for ring fenced purposes.
- c. **RESOLVED** to accept the overspend from the Coronation weekend event of £9.56.
- d. **RESOLVED** to accept the costs of paint/primer to refurbish the telephone box housing the Defib unit up to the value of £90.

23-47 Planning Matters

- a. Planning applications - None
- b. Planning decisions made by North Northamptonshire Council – None

23-48 Policies: to adopt the following policies

Deferred to the next meeting.

- a. Training Policy
- b. Disciplinary Policy
- c. Hearing Panel Terms of Reference
- d. Grievance Policy

23-49 Village Infrastructure

- a. Works to vegetation around the white bridge - Update provided regarding the road closure being covered by highways who will arrange road repairs at the same time as vegetation cut back. This is to be arranged after the bird nesting season at the beginning of September. A grant request is being submitted to the Wind Farm Trust to cover 50% of the costs for the contractor to cut back the vegetation, quotation received for (£2,950 plus VAT £590, total costs £3,540). **RESOLVED** subject to the grant being approved the council will cover the remaining costs to the contractor for the vegetation cut back.
- b. Potholes & road surfaces - No updates were available from Highways/NNC Cllr Howell. Clerk to email to request an update on repairs.
- c. To consider placing a sign on the gate to the track from Church Road concerning access. Discussion took place regarding a sign on the gate to the track from Church Road, but it was noted the post was damaged and should be repaired first. Quote to be obtained for replacement post for the gate and then signage addressed again.
- d. DSA engineer explained the flood and drainage survey report following the Pathfinder III scheme and answered queries from report.

23-50 Community and Road Safety

- a. Updated provided from Sarah Barnwell with reference to average speed cameras and requirements needed for them.

23-51 Village Hall Committee representative report

- a. **RESOLVED** to appoint Cllr Taylor as the second representative for the Village Hall Committee.
- b. No report available for the Village Hall Committee.

23-52 Wind Farm Trust Report

There were two £500 grants approved by the small grant sub-committee within Dean & Shelton.

23-53 Next scheduled meeting

The next scheduled meeting will be on 4th September 2023.

Meeting closed 8.43pm

Chairman