

HALFORD PARISH COUNCIL Minutes

Meeting held on 3rd January 2024 at The Bridge Inn, Halford at 6.30 pm

Meeting closed 6.45 pm

Present:

Cllrs Arthur, Cooper, Newell and Gale (Chair)

Clerk: Karen Parnell

One member of the public was present

1. Apologies

Cllr Sarah Whalley-Hoggins, County Cllr Izzi Seccombe and District Cllr Malcolm Littlewood

2. Declaration of Interests Councillors are asked to declare personal interests in any items on the agenda. Councillors are reminded that the code of conduct that took effect from 2018 provides that should they have a prejudicial interest in any matter under discussion, they should withdraw from the room and not seek to influence a decision about the matter.

None

3. Approval of minutes of meeting held on the 25th October 2023

Minutes having been circulated were confirmed as an accurate record of the meeting held in October 2023 and were duly signed by the Chairman.

4. Democratic 15 minutes

Lighting over the new pedestrian crossings was considered and the chairman will ask for clarification. The location of the crossings was noted, but this is outside of the PCs remit. Speeding on the Fosse Way was discussed at length.

A 'Keep Clear' instruction on the road is in need of repair. WCC will be asked to do so. WCC will also be asked to repair a '30mph' sign within Halford.

5. Matters arising and new matters

Village Maintenance

1. WCC think a drain cover may belong to Severn Trent Water so they have reported it to them to repair it.
2. WCC Public Rights of Way team will investigate the reported maintenance issues regarding the path.
3. WCC have made arrangements to have these brambles cut back. The work should be completed within 28 days.
4. The WCC cyclic Gully emptying programme is currently underway across the County so the drains in Halford will be included. WCC are aware of the more extensive issues at the Ettington Island and this is with their drainage engineers who are investigating the problem and they will come up with a solution but it is likely to come at significant cost and disruption due to the complexities of the problems with the drainage at the island.

Play Area Inspection

Works will be quoted on and costs established before future actions can be fully considered.

6. Planning

None

7. Finance

Payments

Karen Parnell (Salary/Expenses) £ 500.00 Village Voices £ 100.00

Bank Charges £ 21.00 Japonica Pride £ 48.00 + £ 24.00 SDC Bin Emptying

£ 147.60 SDC Election £ 100.00 Playforce Ltd £ 240.00

8. Correspondence

None

9. Date of next meeting: 6th March 2024 – 6.30pm (Halford Bridge Inn)

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Signed: Chairman on 6th March 2024.....