Hulland Ward Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting held remotely on Monday 11 January 2021 at 6.30 pm

Present: Cllr J Scott (Chair); Cllrs: Atkin, Lewis, Morgan, New and Ward. Cllr I Ratcliffe (DCC) and 2 members of the public. Mrs B Kirkham (Clerk)

1 Attendance & Apologies

As Cllr Birkbeck was unable to attend and chair this meeting, Cllr Scott was nominated to take the Chair. Apologies were received from Cllr Birkbeck, Cllr Bright (DDDC), Mr T Sadler (rep. Hulland Village) and Ms Redfern (rep. Biggin Parish).

2 Election of Vice-Chair

This matter was to be held over to the February meeting.

3 Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on the 7 December 2020

The Council resolved to accept the minutes of the meeting held on the 7 December 2020 as a true record of that meeting.

4 Outstanding items from previous meetings

Website/Publicity - Photo showing the erection of the village Christmas tree was now on the website.

Fencing of Parish Council Land – The Council unanimously resolved to accept a quote of £1200 for the fencing of the Slangs land.

Access issues for the disabled around Hulland Ward – there was no further information available at present.

5 Briefings and Comments

a) District and County Councillors

Cllr Ratcliffe updated members on staffing changes at County Hall. Cllr Ratcliffe would also have sight of a draft copy of the capital programme in the next few days, this may include funding for changes to the Intakes Lane/Waterlagg Lane Crossroads.

b) Invited Comments from Hulland and Biggin Parishes

There were no representatives present from Hulland and Biggin Parishes.

c) Invited Comments from members of the Public

There were no comments from members of the public.

6 Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest on any items on the agenda.

7 Village Development

a) 20/01250/FUL - Extensions to dwelling - The Bricklands, Smith Hall Lane, Hulland Ward.

The Parish Council had no objection to this application. Action: Clerk

b) 20/01161/FUL = Erection of agricultural building for the storage of arm implements, feed and bedding for the housing of animals for breeding - Blackbrook Farm, Intakes Lane, Turnditch

The Council resolved to delegate the decision on this application to Cllr Morgan who would visit the site and check the details of the application. *Action: Cllr Morgan & Clerk*

8 Village Image & Environment

a) Village Hall Car Park

The Council resolved that Mr Len Neale be appointed as the Council's volunteer advisor on this project. Mr Neale reported that one quote for the work had been received and this matter would be discussed further at the next meeting.

b) 'The Willows' Name Plant

Both name plates on The Willows were in situ and a replacement was not required. Clerk to report to the District Council. *Action: Clerk*

9 Finance and Administration

a) Update on Finances

The balance in the current account was £21,788.86.

b) Invoices and Expenses for approval at this meeting

The Council approved the following items for payments:

Cartwright Landscaping - December invoice	40.00
Cartwright Landscaping - November invoice	60.00
Protect Signs (pro forma invoice)	185.28
Lester Lowe	2.21
BK Office Services (web hosting)	92.40
Clerk's Salary	251.18
Nest Pensions	26.52
Clerk's Expenses	32.49

c) Quote for new Dog Lane Sign

A quote for a new sign and installation had been received, Clerk to check if the quote included the pop riveting of the sign. *Action: Clerk*

d) Budget & Precept for 2021/22

The Council resolved to defer a decision on this matter until the February meeting. Clerk to inform the District Council. *Action: Clerk*

e) Councillor Vacancy

The Council vacancy had been advertised and the District Council had been informed, if an election was not requested then the Council would look to co-opt.

f) Payroll Provider

The current payroll provider was no longer able to offer the service after the 31 March and a new provider was being sought.

10 Councillor's Reports and Observations

- Community Speed Watch training was urgently needed but no response had been received from the person organising the training.
- Concern about the water leak at the top of the village, Clerk to write to Severn Trent. Action: Clerk
- A repair was needed on the A517 outside White House Farm and Eaton House, Cllr Ward to supply photo. Action: Cllr Ward & Clerk.

• Refuse Collection operatives were still leaving bins in the middle of pavements despite an earlier complaint from the Parish Council, some food caddies were also left on the kerb side and ended up being broken. Clerk to follow up. *Action: Clerk*

11 Correspondence

All correspondence had been sent out by email.

12 Date of Next Parish Council Meeting

The next meeting would be on Monday 1 February 2021 at 6.30 pm

Signed Dated 1 February 2021