

Hethe Parish Council

Minutes From The AGM Of Hethe Parish Council Held on Tuesday 16th May 2023, at 8.00pm In Hethe Village Hall

Councillors Present: Mrs J Ramsey (Chairman)

Mrs. S Hartwell

Mrs. J Elkington

P Ward

F Boon

In Attendance Mr D Jakeman (Clerk)

1. Apologies Cllr. Wallace. Cllr. Overton

2. Election Of Chairman & Vice Chairman Cllr. Mrs. Elkington proposed that Cllr Wallace continue as Chairman which was seconded by Cllr. Mrs Hartwell. Cllr. Mrs. Elkington proposed that Cllr. Mrs. Ramsey continue as Vice Chairman which was seconded by Cllr. Mrs Hartwell.

3. Election of Sub Committee Village Hall & Planning Committee Cllr Mrs Ramsey was elected to continue as the PC Village Hall representative. Cllr Mrs. Elkington, Cllr. Overton Cllr. Ward and Cllr Boon were elected to the Planning meeting. All other Councillors would act as substitute if required.

4. Declaration Of Interest

5. Minutes Of The Previous Meeting (24th January 2023) Members agreed the minutes and the Chairman signed them.

6. Matters Arising

7. Coronation Celebrations The event held on the Playing field went very well and everyone had a great time. The Children in the village had a small enterprise and set up a sweet stall which made a small profit they had a great time running the stall. The children of the village were given wildflower seeds to plant around the village. Lots of people helped to set up and clear up afterwards. The profit from the stall of £30 is to be donated to Bicester Food Bank. The Parish Council would like to thank everyone that helped on the day and residents for joining in making the day a great success.

8. Open Forum – For Residents to raise issues.

9. Annual Governance Statement The Clerk read out the statements from the governance report and members agreed them. The Clerk and the Chairman signed the governance statement.

10. Approve Accounts 22/23 As our income and expenditure is below £25K members declared exemption from a limited assurance review. AGAR Form 2 was agreed and signed by the Parish Clerk and the Chairman.

10.1 Approve Accounts 22/23 Accounting Statements The full accounting statements were produced by the Clerk and presented to Council. The Chairman and the Clerk signed them off. The full accounts will be placed on the Parish Council web Site.

11. Hethe Community Park Grass Cutting Playing Field. The Council has now appointed a contractor to cut the playing field and the play park grass throughout the growing season. ROSPA will do the annual

full inspection of the Play Park during July 2023. The Play Park is being regularly checked by the Council contractor. The Clerk also informed the Council that the insurance company have not made a request for the Walnut Tree to be removed. The risk assessment has also been completed and concluded that the PC had taken adequate measures. Members decided that no further action was needed.

12. General Maintenance The Street furniture, rubbish bins, bus shelter, notice boards and the railings around the well will be painted during the summer months. The Community pay back scheme will be helping us trim the grass around the sides of the playing field and cutting the grass in the church yard for the PCC.

13 EV Charge Points Village Hall Car Park Cllr. Wallace will explain the scheme at the July meeting. Unfortunately it is still early days and Central Government have not come up with a full plan and funding at the moment. The Parish Council are trying to look at schemes that might provide a solution for us.

14 Clerks Report Cherwell District Council are holding the Parish Liaison meeting at Bodicote House on the June 14th 2023. Financial payments were agreed for OALC £156, Dog Waste £126.98, OPFA £45.00, Insurance £524.54, Clerks fee £664.60. Receipts grant for Coronation Celebrations £200, Precept £4,500

15 Changing Rooms The changing rooms are no longer fit for purpose. The Parish Council decided to transfer the ownership of the changing rooms to the Village Hall to be incorporated into a second meeting room as per the village hall plans. It was also agreed that if a suitable club wanted to use the pitch and required changing rooms the Parish Council would set up a working group and would look to build new changing rooms. **DJ**

16 Chairman Closing Remarks The Chair thanked everyone for coming. The Clerk was asked to contact Mrs. Pritchard to ascertain what else the Church requires from us so that we can install the defibrillator at the Church. At the next meeting we need to discuss possible purchase of a kick wall for the village children and changing the start of the Council meetings to 7.30pm.

17 Date of Next Meeting