

Hethe Parish Council

Minutes From Hethe Parish Council Meeting Held on Tuesday 17th October 2023, at 7.30pm In Hethe Village Hall

Councillors Present: S Wallace (Chairman)
Mrs J Ramsey
Mrs. S Hartwell
Mrs. J Elkington
F Boon
P Ward
In Attendance Mr D Jakeman (Clerk)

1. Apologies Cllr. Overton

2. Declaration Of Interest

3. Minutes Of The Previous Meeting (11th July 2023 & AGM of The Parish 18th April 2023) Members agreed the minutes and the Chairman signed them.

4. Matters Arising

5. To Consider building a kick wall for the children Members agreed to investigate providing a kick wall with a hoop. Cllr. Mrs Ramsey agreed to consult the children in the village on where they would like it positioned and discuss with the village hall committee. The clerk is going to speak to the play park installer for a price guide and brochure. The Clerk was asked to look at what grants are available. Cllr. Ward agreed to check that planning was not required. A consultation needs to take place with the village. Cllr. Wallace was going to discuss with Mike Green about putting something on the web site **DJ JR PW SW**

6. Community Defibrillator The PCC has now agreed with the insulation of the defibrillator. The Clerk will order it and arrange insulation. There will be some online training which we will put on the web site. There are also You Tube videos. Cllr Mrs Ramsey suggested having some training in the hall and agreed to speak to a friend of hers that delivers training. The PC agreed to fund the training. **DJ JR**

7. Hethe Community Park

8. Recreation Ground & General Maintenance Both the play park and the recreation ground are being cut regularly. Brackley u10 are playing football and using the hall on most Saturdays. Brackley are trying to obtain some funding for a second set of goals so that two teams can play. It was decided to order two benches one for Queen Elizabeth Memorial to be placed in the playing field and King Charles Coronation bench for Hardwick Road. **DJ**

9. Open Forum Two residents attended the meeting and asked if the Kick Wall could be installed away from the hall further down the field. They informed the Council that Children are using the hall wall to kick the ball against and the noise from that is irritating after a while. Members agreed with this.

10. Welcome Guide For Hethe Mike Green has put together a usefully guide for new residents. Members expressed their thanks to Mike and the guide would be placed on the Web Site for reference.

11 Locked Land – To Consider acquiring this land This is the piece of land to the side of the Green lane which leads to the Playing Field. The Parish Council have been trying to trace the owner of this land which is locked and is currently full of nettles and rubbish which has been dumped. The PC would like to acquire this land and bring it back into use. We discussed maybe a community garden raised beds that may be used as children's allotments. We will probably instruct a solicitor to help us with this. To be discussed further at the next meeting. **SW DJ JE**

12 Clerks Report Cherwell District Council are currently consulting on the local plan. The next Parish Liaison meeting with CDC will be held online. Financial payments grass cutting £1,257.84, clerk £664.60, Dog waste £133.85 DPA Fee £35.00, British Legion £60.00, Play Safe LTD £115.20 general maintenance £835.00, Postage £14.80 Income Precept £4,500.

13 Planning Applications Rose View Trees, No objection. St Edmund & St Georges Church, Trees No objection, Hethe Cottage No objection, Bow Cottage Hethe PC support the application, but we have some concerns over the roof lights, on the front elevation as the cottage is in the conservation area.

14 Climate Change Cllr Boon is working on putting some information on our web site and putting on an exhibition in the Village Hall. **FB**

15 Bad Weather Emergency Planning Members agreed to fund the snow plough if it becomes necessary. The salt bins have been filled and the PC will fill them up as required. **JE**

16 Chairman's Closing Remarks It was good to see two residents come and offer their views and bring views from other residents that were not able to attend, Cllr Wallace thanked everyone for coming to the meeting,

17 Date of the Next Meeting 23rd January 2024 starting at 7.30pm.