

Hulland Ward Parish Council

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Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting held at Hulland Ward Millennium Village Hall On Monday 5 June 2023 at 7.00 pm

Present: Cllr P Birkbeck (Chair), D Astle, M Atkin, A Champion (Vice-Chair), K Dean, J Morgan, S Morgan, Mr T Sadler (representing Hulland Village) Ms L Redfern (representing Biggin Village) 1 member of the public. Mrs B Kirkham (Clerk).

1 Attendance & Apologies

Cllr Birkbeck welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Cllr D Murphy (DCC)

2 Approval of Minutes of the meeting held on the 15 May 2023

The Council resolved to accept the minutes of the annual Parish Council Meeting held on the 15 May 2023 as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

3 Outstanding items from the previous meeting

Regarding the Hanson's Quarry application, the Council resolved to ask the applicant if 2 Councillors could visit the site and then ask a representative from Hanson's to attend the July meeting. **Action:**
Clerk

4 Declaration of interests

Cllr Birkbeck declared a non-pecuniary interest as a School Governor. Cllr Champion declared a non-pecuniary interest as a clergyman in the Diocese of Derby.

5 Briefings/Comments:

a) District and County Councillors

There were no District or County Councillors present at this meeting.

b) Invited comments from Hulland and Biggin Parishes

Mr Tim Sadler for Hulland village, concerned about road safety in Hulland Ward and Hulland village, has had extensive discussions with Cllr Murphy on the matter and would be in further discussions with Cllr Murphy in the next few days.

Ms Louise Redfern for Biggin village, Biggin parish were strongly objecting to the application for 16 houses in Biggin village (adjoining Hulland Ward).

c) Invited comments from the public

No comments were received.

6 Village Development:

a) 23/00435/FUL – Erection of 16 no. dwelling houses with associated garages at land east of Dog Lane, Hulland Ward

After discussion the Council resolved to comment as follows:

Hulland Ward Parish Council vigorously rejects the proposals for the following reasons:

a) The application calls for development of a green field site which is also outside the Derbyshire Dales Local Plan.

b) With 101 houses already built (or in the process of being built) Hulland Ward has more than satisfied the requirement of the Local Plan, which requires 99 houses until 2033

c) The proposed access road to the 16 house development is a privately owned single-track road which has already been rejected for being unsafe, un-adopted and unprofessional. This access **must be rejected** as being a possible death trap for both children and adults.

d) The proposed application is adjacent to the only designated heritage asset in the Hulland Ward area, which is Christ Church, and would impinge on the integrity of that building and its surroundings.

e) If the Planning Committee disregard points a) and b) and

d) above then **another access road must be found** - possibly the Main Road gateway already in use, and adjacent to the Dog Lane turn off.

f) The Parish Council have such serious concerns about this application that a formal request has been made for a feasibility study to be done for a roundabout on the A517/Dog Lane junction to give new access to the site of the proposed development.

g) Recent problems with the Sewage System operating in Hulland Ward may preclude any further development of the village. **Action: Clerk**

b) Update on Wheeldon Way Development

It is understood that the road works will be done before the development is started.

7 Village Image & Environment:

a) Grass Verge Cutting opposite Biggin View

This area was on the Handyman's list of areas for maintenance.

b) Grass Verge repairs near Hawthorn House

Contractor still promising to repair the verge when work is completed.

c) Memorial Bench on Hulland Ward Playing Field

A quote for this work had not yet been received.

d) Fencing in the community orchard

Cllrs Birkbeck and Champion agreed to meet up with the handyman to discuss this issue. **Action: Cllrs Birkbeck & Champion**

e) Play Area Inspection Report

The annual inspection report had been received and the findings would be discussed further at the next meeting.

f) Hedge cutting along the main road

The hedge cutting will start in the next few weeks.

g) Village Hall Committee

A new village hall committee has now been elected. Cllr Dean to attend future village hall committee meetings and report back to the council. **Action: Cllr Dean**

h) Repair of Notice Board

Repairs will be done to the village notice board during the summer. A note to go on the Facebook page telling residents why the notice board would be removed for a few weeks.

i) Speeding Issues – signs/community speed watch/speed watch signs

Four community speed watch sessions have been held during the month, 12 letters issued, and 3 people will have received a third letter. MVAS data for May show similar figures to previous months. Traffic flow is increasing through the village.

j) Neighbourhood Watch

Nothing new to report, Cllr Atkin is sending out information as it is received.

8 Consideration of the valuations and sale of Snappers Knowe Woodland

Unfortunately the third valuation had still not been received so the Council resolved to hold this matter over to the next meeting.

9 Audit for 2022/23

a) Approval of Internal Auditor's Report

The Internal Auditor's Report had not raised any significant areas of concern. The Council was advised to review its contracts on an annual basis.

b) Approval of Annual Governance Statement

The Council resolved to approve the Annual Governance Statement.

c) Approval of Annual Accounting Statement

The Council resolved to approve the Annual Accounting Statement.

10 Finance and Administration:

a) Website/Facebook Page Updates

Website doesn't come up on a google search. Clerk to raise this matter with the website designer.

Action: Clerk

b) Update on Finances

The balance in the current account was £33,898.42.

c) Invoices and Expenses for approval at this meeting:

The Council resolved to approve payment of the following invoices:

Npower	4.92
CPRE	36.00
ROSPA Play Safety	102.60
DALC	220.00
Clerk's Salary	257.23
Nest Pensions	34.97
Clerk's Expenses	24.34

11 Review & Update on Capital Projects

There was nothing further to report at present.

12 Councillor's Reports & Observations

- Sewerage works are now at capacity and sewerage is now being taken away daily. Councillors were concerned about the capacity of the sewerage works when new houses are built.
- The Council agreed to hold another defibrillator training session possibly in September.
- Dog Lane sign this matter had been referred to the District Council and an officer was due to visit the area in the next few days.
- Drain by playing field is still a hazard, grass has not been mown in this area. Cllrs Birkbeck and Champion to investigate this matter. **Action: Cllrs Birkbeck & Champion**
- An informal meeting of residents of George Rodgers Close had been held to discuss the planning concerns for the new application. Residents felt strongly that access to the site should not be through George Rodgers Close.
- Apologies from Cllr S Morgan for the July meeting.
- The Council still had 2 vacancies, Clerk to publicise these vacancies. **Action: Clerk**

13 Co-option of Parish Councillor

The Council resolved to co-opt David Astle to the Council.

14 Election of Parish Council Chair

The Council resolved that Cllr Champion be appointed Vice Chair. **Action: Cllr Champion**

15 Roles & Responsibilities of Parish Councillors

It was resolved that Councillors undertake the following areas of responsibility:

- a) **Village Hall Liaison** – Cllr Dean
- b) **Play Area & Playing Field** – Cllr Astle

16 Clerk's Report & Correspondence

Most items have gone out by email.

17 Date of next Meeting

The next meeting would be held on Monday 3 July at 7 pm in the Village Hall. The meeting closed at 8.00pm.

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Dated