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**HOATH PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting held on 11th July 2016.**

Present: Councillors Sue Chapman (chair), Carol Foster, John Williams. In attendance: Guy Foster (clerk), Ann Taylor (CCC), Alan Marsh (KCC) and 12 members of the public.

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1. **Apologies**

Cllr Wright had sent apologies.

1. **Declaration of members’ interests**

None.

1. **Minutes of the last meeting and any matters arising**

The minutes were agreed and signed as a true record.

1. **CCC and KCC reports**

Ann Taylor (CCC) spoke of a recent meeting concerning the proposed housing development at Hillborough. She said that as he had missed it, Sir Roger Gale was seeking to organise a further meeting with the developers.

Alan Marsh (KCC) said there would be an additional spraying of verges, etc., due to the wet weather which had encouraged growth. Some dangerously overgrown local verges were brought to Mr Marsh’s attention.

Cllr Chapman reminded Mr Marsh of the dire condition of the surface of a stretch of Hoath Road.

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At this point the meeting was adjourned to allow comments from members of the public. The following matters were raised:

* The hedge at Maypole House needs cutting back. The clerk to write to the owners.
* Problems with buses at the Prince of Wales. Cllr Chapman said she had arranged to speak to the landlord this coming Wednesday.
* More incidents of horse riders using footpaths. The clerk to write (again) to the local liveries.

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1. **Planning**

There were no objections to application CA/16/01276/FUL (Old Tree House).

It was noted that applications CA/14/01753/VAR and CA/16/00912/FUL had been granted.

1. **Concurrent Function Grant:** to consider this year’s application.

The clerk had tabled some draft figures, based on the typical application from previous years. The clerk reminded the meeting that the process had been revised and that CCC now required parishes to apply for a 4 year period. This was obviously far from ideal as it was impossible to forecast one-off costs so far in the future.

After discussion, it was agreed to submit an application to CCC as follows:

**2017/18 2018/19 2019/20 2020/21**

Litter picking 200 200 200 200

Grass cutting 520 540 570 600

Tree and shrub

Maintenance 250 250 250 250

Fencing repair 750 750 750 750

Repair of play

Equipment 750 800 850 900

ROSPA inspection 100 100 100 100

Insurance 250 265 280 300

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Total 2,820 2,905 3,000 3,100

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1. **Report of the clerk/RFO**

The clerk noted that the formal PC vacancy notice had expired so the PC is now free to co-opt.

The clerk reported that the end-June cashbook and bank balance was £19,870.49. This figure included the 2016/17 precept and concurrent function grant.

In line with previous resolutions, the bank mandate amendment was signed. Cllrs Wright and Foster were added as signatories and former Cllrs Moore and Nugent removed.

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The following payments were approved:

1. Clerk June (net of tax) £283.37
2. Clerk July (net of tax; post-dated to 31st July) £283.37
3. Sue Chapman – gift to retiring Village Hall chairman £96.29
4. HMRC (PAYE for April/May/June) £191.00

Correspondence:

The clerk noted that we have a new PCSO, one Mr Paul Harris. The clerk is in touch with Mr Harris but he was unable to attend the meeting.

There was an email from a resident complaining of horses on footpaths. This matter was dealt with earlier in the meeting.

An email had been received regarding dog mess at Woodview.

1. **Councillors’ reports**

Cllr Foster noted that following discussion of overgrown verges at the last meeting, some had now been cut back.

Cllr Williams noted some recent car accidents in Hoath Rd.

Cllr Chapman asked for help in preventing dog mess, particularly outside the Woodview bungalows.

1. **Date of next meeting.**

This was confirmed as Monday September 12th at 8 p.m.

**Guy Foster**

*Clerk to Hoath Parish Council*

July 13th 2016.

Signed as a true record \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_