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**HOATH PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting held on 4th September 2017.**

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

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1. **Apologies**

None.

1. **Declaration of members’ interests**

None.

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

The minutes were agreed as tabled and signed as a true record.

1. **CCC and KCC reports**

Mr Marsh expressed his disappointment that more of the “30 mph” stickers were not being displayed in Hoath. It was pointed out to him that it is impossible to force residents to display these stickers. It was also pointed out to him that the PC had offered to spend its own money on traffic calming measures but that the help needed from KCC was still awaited.

Mrs Taylor said August had been a quiet month She referred to the planning application for a major development at Hillborough (see below).

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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 finger post is still misaligned. Cllr Williams apologised that he had not looked at this and promised to do so.

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1. **To consider the CCC local governance review**

After discussion it was unanimously agreed to submit the view that Hoath PC’s boundaries should remain unchanged.

1. **Planning**

Application CA/17/01937/FUL (The Old Oast): no objections.

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Application CA/17/01866/FOS: this is the long-expected major development at Hillborough. It has the potential for massive increases in the amount of traffic using Ford Hill/Maypole Rd/Hoath Rd. Accordingly, following discussion, it was unanimously agreed to submit comments to CCC demanding that, should this development proceed, action be taken to deal with these traffic issues.

The approval of CA/17/01258/FUL and CA/17/01273/FUL was noted.

1. **Report of the RFO**

The clerk reported that the end-August cash book balance was £21,037.12. The bank statement has yet to be received.

Purchase of speed sign: Tyler Hill PC has offered to sell us a “speed watch device” for £200. This was considered very good value and it was unanimously agreed to purchase it.

The following payments were approved:

1. Clerk: July (net) £283.57
2. Clerk August (net) £283.57
3. Tyler Hill PC £200.00

Voluntary warden scheme: we are still looking for a volunteer. The clerk has placed some text on this in the parish magazine and on the web-site. All were encouraged to publicise this.

The clerk reported that the formal safety review of the play area is due to happen in September.

1. **Councillors’ reports**

Cllr Wright noted the verges at Ford Hill were very muddy.

Cllr Chapman reported:

* She had registered the PC for “speed watch”
* Some of the troublesome residents of Heath House have gone
* She is hosting a meeting two days hence for all those who might wish to help with the youth club. Cllrs Wright and Foster expressed an interest.
1. **Date of next meeting.**

The next meeting is confirmed for **Monday October 9th at 8 p.m.**

**Guy Foster**

*Clerk to Hoath Parish Council*

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