

Hawkesbury Parish Council



Minutes of Hawkesbury Parish Council Meeting
Held on Monday 21st March 2016 at 7.30pm
In the upstairs meeting room, Hawkesbury Parish Hall, High Street, Hawkesbury Upton

Present:

Cllr Robinson (Chair), Cllr Higgs, Cllr Ruthven, Cllr Wareham, Cllr Musty, Cllr Hope and H Jones (Parish Clerk)

Apologies

Cllr Winbow, Cllr Cox and Cllr S Bleaken

Public Participation

Mr A Hemmingway-SOS (Save Our Shop) item 6

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| | | Action |
| 1 | To Take apologies for absence
Cllr Winbow, Cllr Cox and Cllr S Bleaken | |
| 2 | To record declaration of interest from members in any item to be discussed
Cllr Musty, Cllr Hope and Cllr Wareham item 6 members of the SOS committee | |
| 3 | To adjourn to allow Public Participation
None | |
| 4 | Councillor's items-information only | |
| | <i>4.1 Footpath Sign-Starveal Lane - Cllr Musty</i>
The contractor that has been cutting back the hedge along Starveal Lane has hit the footpath sign which is now on a 45 degree angle. Clerk to email Street Care | Parish Clerk |
| | <i>4.2 Highfields Lane – Cllr Higgs</i>
Cones are now situated by the drains along Highfields Lane, some work has been carried out by Streetcare but appears not to have been completed. In addition there are several potholes along the lane, they are deep and in a dangerous condition. Urgent action is required before a serious incident happens. | Cllr Higgs |
| | <i>4.3 High Street-Cllr Ruthven</i>
The main road through the village is looking rather tatty; the centre of the road was | |

recently patched up but the repair do not appear to be satisfactory which a crack along the middle, dangerous for cyclists. Cllr Hope has a meeting tomorrow morning with South Gloucestershire regarding the condition of the roads in the village and will take this forward together with the previous roads mentioned.-**this was noted**

4.4 Smiley Sign - Cllr Ruthven

This sign is very good for drivers, although the speed shown is incorrect (fast by 2.5mph). This is a very good tool

4.5 Cotswold way-Cllr Hope

Several bags can be seen in the field from the Cotswold Way not sure what they are. **To be actioned-find out what in the bags and see how long they will be on view.**

4.6 Risk Assessment-Email from Cllr Winbow

The Risk Assessment has been completed by Cllr Winbow but would like to highlight the follow to Councillors.

- Definite immediate action is required for the Badminton notice board. It is very wobbly! It needs reinforcing.-**Cllr Higgs will take a look**
- I still need to go on the dangerous tree course. The trees seem fine, but I just wouldn't know. **This was noted**
- The pump on the plain has the string now off of it. So the pump handle can be worked. Cllr Winbow commented on this last year and suggests we weld a clamp on it to keep it and ours safe. **Agenda item for 4th April 2016**

Ear mark £300 towards the repairs relating to the items related in the risk assessment

5 Notification of a withdrawn Planning Applications

PK15/5538/TCA	Adjacent To The Carpenters Shop Church Lane Hawkesbury	Works to reduce crown to leave a height of 7.5 metres and radial spread of 3 metres of 1 no. Cherry tree and reduce crown to leave a height of 7.5 metres and radial spread of 3 metres of 1 no. Cherry tree and reduce crown to leave a height of 7 metres and radial spread of 3 metres of 1 no. Ash tree all situated within the Hawkesbury Conservation Area	Withdrawn
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Planning Decisions received from South Gloucestershire Council

PK16/0475/TCA	Yarde 12 Back Street Hawkesbury Upton	Works to remove 2no. Rowan situated within Hawkesbury Conservation Area	No Objection
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6 Save our shop - Cllr's to make a decision on a request received for a donation of funds to help towards their costs including legal costs.

Alan Hemmingway updated the Parish Council

- **Hawkesbury Community Shop Ltd** established
- **Valuation completed by the owner**
- **Discussions still taking place with the owner**
- **Continue with alternative options**
- **SOS parish survey to be distributed to every household**

Funds are required to help towards the survey and legal fees Mr Hemmingway asked (on behalf of the HCS members) if the Parish Council could consider a donation of £2500.

This was discussed in full.

HPC fully supports saving the village shop for the benefit of the parish and subject to any further clarification of legality, HPC propose to provide further funds up to the sum of £1500.00 to Hawkesbury Community Shop Ltd. (*This is in addition to the £250 already put aside for the costs to cover room hire.*) These funds to be drawn down as and when requested by HCS Ltd.

Proposed by Cllr Higgs

Seconded by Cllr Ruthven

Approved in favour - Unanimous

Note : HPC has sought advice on this matter from the Avon Local Councils Association and been advised that under the Local Government Act 1972 - section 137 "free resources" local councils have a statutory power to incur expenditure for certain purposes with direct benefit accruing to their area.

Cllr Robinson thanked Mr Hemmingway

7 Finance

Payments to be agreed

A	Parish Clerks Wages – March	
B	Grant funding – Hawkesbury Upton Literature Festival does not hold a bank account-D Young requested the cheque to be made payable to herself, unfortunately the PC cannot make the cheque out to an individual. Readathon did not request the funding and therefore unable to give them the funds.	

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C	Green Space Grass Cutting – 6months Grass cutting	£232.00
D	Data Centa Hosting-Parish Council Website	£210.00

Resolved by Cllr Hope proposing the payment, second by Cllr Higgs.

- 8 Date of the next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 4th April 2016 in the upstairs meeting room, Village Hall, High Street, Hawkesbury Upton at 7.30pm

Minutes Approved and signed as a true record.....
4th April 2016