

Hill & Moor Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

Held at Lower Moor Village Hall

Thursday 4th January 2024 at 7pm

Present: Cllr. T Betteridge (Chair), Cllr. P. Jeanes, Cllr. P. Stone, Cllr. D. Nuttall, Cllr. A Heath.

Also present: (WDC)Cllr L. Tucker; 10 members of the public.

1. Apologies: Cllr D. Boatright (WCC); Cllr. A. Jeanes,

Absent: N/A

2. Declarations of Interest: None

The meeting was adjourned for Public Question Time

Notes can be found at the end of these minutes.

3. To consider the approval of the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council on the 2nd November 2023: It was agreed that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of the 2nd November 2023 were a true and accurate record. Proposed by Cllr A Heath and seconded by Cllr P Stone that the Minutes be approved. All in favour.

4. District Councillors report:

Cllr. Tucker gave an overview on current planning.

Wychavon is in the process of starting up a Design Code looking at what is required in the design of buildings, streets etc. and it goes out to consultation on the 8th January to 5th February. It reads well – The issue will be how Wychavon can ensure compliance.

SWDP update see Public Questions at the end of the Minutes.

5. County Councillor's report: Cllr Boatright – No report required due to Christmas closures.

6. Parish Councillors reports

Nothing to report

7. Progress reports

(a) Playing Fields – overhanging trees have been cut back. Play area gate catch still needs repairing.

(b) Flood Drainage – entrance to Hill and Moor Meadows flowing well with no aromas. No other particular issues at present.

(c) Footpaths – area around junction of Back Way is messy since contractors have been working on trees. This area is now a mess. Mess on the road.

(d) Village Hall- Website use for Village Hall. The clerk to discuss with Parish Council websites to see how village hall could tie into PC website. Alarm system remote access VH cannot get on the website. Treasurer has not been paying the direct debits for the maintenance. No Bookings for

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VH at present for 2024. The VH desperately needs events. VH needs to set up their own Facebook page. Bonfire was a great success.

- (e) Flooding – Nothing to report
- (f) Landfill site – Nothing to report.
- (g) Lengthsman – No Lengthsman work undertaken during November/December
- (h) Newsletter – nothing to report
- (i) SWDP – see public questions.
- (j) Urgent Decisions Group - None

8. Planning

a) New planning applications:

Application Number	Address concerned	Description of works	DEADLINE	

b) To receive Decision Notices:

Application Number	Address concerned	Description of works	Hill & Moor PC response	Wychavon Decision
W/23/01190/PIP	Land At (OS 764 4714), Church Lane, Lower Moor	Permission in Principle for the construction of up to 4 no. dwellings		Approved

c) To note or discuss Planning Correspondence, Information, and Issues:

Application Number	Address concerned	Description of works	Hill & Moor PC response	Wychavon Decision
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9. **Finance:** To report on the financial situation of the Parish Council and to approve invoices for payment.

A To note receipts and approve invoices for payment to 4th January 2024. Cllr T Betteridge Proposed and Cllr. A Heath Seconded that all payments be approved, and receipts noted. All in favour.

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PAYMENTS at 4th Jan 24

Payments for approval				
Inv. Date	Payee	Detail	£ inc VAT	VAT
04/11/2023	Strange Gardens	Handyman Oct	208.00	
04/11/2023	Strange Gardens	Lengthsman Oct	245.60	
15/11/2023	P Stone	reimburse xmas tree	110.00	
20/11/2023	C Hirst	Nov pay and back pay	689.77	
20/11/2023	HMRC	Nov tax and employer NIC	187.00	
22/11/2023	WF Engineering	timer on field lights	88.20	14.70
04/12/2023	E-ON	Playing Field energy	47.87	2.28
05/12/2023	N Power	Streetlights	194.78	9.28
Nov	N Power	Streetlights	170.00	8.10
22/12/2023	C Hirst	Dec Pay	494.00	
22/12/2023	HMRC	Dec Tax	123.40	
29/12/2023	Avonround tree surgery	Fencing and tree cut backs	1,150.00	
TOTAL			3,708.62	

Receipts	Detail	£
HMRC	VAT return to end Oct 23	1,271.24
WCC	Lengthsman Sept	307.00
WCC	Lengthsman Oct	245.60
TOTAL		1,823.84

B To consider the Budget Monitoring Report to 24th December 2023. Noted.

C To note the Bank Reconciliation to 24th December 2023. Noted.

D To note the Tax Base for 2024/25 Band “D” Levy at 6.76% increase on 2023/24 Council Tax Base Band D set at £53.72 per year for 2024/25 from £50.32 for 2023/24. Noted.

10 Correspondence for Information

All correspondence received has been circulated.

11 Clerk’s report: All covered within the Minutes

12 Summary of Councillors agreed actions: Cllr. Jeanes would circulate the list round in due course.

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13 Date of next Ordinary Parish Council meeting and items for next agenda: Thursday 4th April 2024. Cllr. Stone submits apologies for this meeting.

14 To agree and Issue updated contract to clerk. Cllr. Betteridge Proposes and Cllr. Stone Seconds that the Parish Council approves and signs the revised contract. All in favour.

The meeting closed at 7.45.pm.

Public Questions

SWDP Development – Is with the Bristol Inspectorate who have sent 3 requests for information from the WDC. Only one response from Wychavon provided to date. All requests for information and responses are put online for viewing. WDC think there will be a public enquiry in February/March. Talk is more likely to be in the spring. Traffic information is based on pre-covid data. Traffic information not been seen as yet.

Re SWDP, the Parish Councils involved started meeting at the end of last year. A meeting is set for this Sunday to look at appointing representation when required.

Stonebond Development – nothing further to report.

Mr Guy gave an update on W/22/02040/OUT- Land at Evesham Road, Lower Moor- Outline Planning Permission for the construction of up-to 31 dwellings and associated infrastructure with all matters reserved (apart from access)