



**Minutes of the Meeting of Handforth Parish Council held on
Tuesday 13th November 2018 at 7:30pm, The Youth Centre,
Old Road, Handforth.**

Present: Cllr Burgess, Cllr Clark, Cllr Samson (Chair of Handforth Parish Council), Cllr Smith, Cllr Sullivan, Cllr Thompson & Cllr Tolver

Also present Mr Comiskey Dawson, Parish Clerk
Six members of the public.

18/29/1 To receive apologies for absence.

None.

18/29/2 To note Declarations of interest and requests for dispensation to discuss, or discuss and vote on a matter in which a Member or co-opted Member has a Disclosable Pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest (DPI).

Cllr Thompson declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 18/29/13 and made a request for dispensation to vote on the item, this was granted.

Cllr Tolver declared an interest in item 18/29/13 and informed members he would not vote on the item.

18/29/3 Open Forum- Comment and questions concerning items on this agenda may be put to the Council by the public during this period. Matters which, in the Chairman’s view require debate and/or a discussion will be referred to the next Committee/Council meeting, as appropriate. The Public Forum is restricted to 15 minutes, unless the Chairman allows otherwise.

A resident wished to ask a question, however it did not pertain to an agenda item, the chair invited the resident to speak to her, or any member, after the meeting had concluded.

18/29/4 To approve and sign the minutes of the Handforth Parish Council finance committee meeting of 12th June 2018.

Cllr Sullivan proposed, seconded by Cllr Smith to approve and sign the minutes of the Handforth Parish council finance committee meeting of 12th June 2018.

Resolved: Unanimously.

18/29/5 To approve and sign the minutes of the Handforth Parish Council finance committee meeting of 09th October 2018.

Cllr Smith proposed, seconded by Cllr Thompson to approve and sign the minutes of the Handforth Parish Council finance committee meeting of 09th October 2018.

Motion carried: Five in favour with one abstention.

18/29/6 To approve and sign the minutes of the Handforth Parish Council meeting of 09th October 2018.

Cllr Tolver proposed, seconded by Cllr Smith to approve and sign the minutes of the Handforth Parish Council meeting of 09th October 2018.

Motion carried: Five in favour with two abstentions.

18/29/7 To approve and sign the order of accounts for payment for November 2018.

Cllr Smith proposed, seconded by Cllr Sullivan to approve and sign the order of accounts for payment for November 2018 totalling £29,227.14.

Resolved: Unanimously.

18/29/8 To receive a report from the Clerk.

The clerks report was received by all councillors.

18/29/9 MOTION: To agree the HPC meeting dates for 19/20.

The HPC meeting dates for 19/20 were circulated to all councillors. It was noted that the first meeting in January 2019 would take place on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. It was also noted that the meeting dates were possibly subject to change after May 2019 and the local council elections.

Cllr Tolver proposed, seconded by Cllr Clark to agree the meeting dates for 19/20.

Resolved: Unanimously.

18/29/10 MOTION: To receive recommendation from the HPC finance committee to approve the proposed 19/20 financial year budget.

Cllr Smith proposed, seconded by Cllr Tolver to receive recommendation from the HPC finance committee to approve the proposed 19/20 financial year budget.

Resolved: Unanimously.

18/29/11 MOTION: To receive recommendation from the HPC finance committee to approve proposals regarding the Parish Council precept for financial year 19/20.

Cllr Thompson proposed, seconded by Cllr Sullivan to receive recommendation from the HPC finance committee to approve the proposal to keep the Parish Council precept the same as the previous year – held at £85,000.00 for financial year 19/20.

Resolved: Unanimously.

18/29/12 MOTION: That HPC does not reject the proposals set out in the draft Transparency document submitted on the basis that the contents within clarify points contained in the Standing Orders Sections 7 and 26 were applicable.

There was debate amongst councillors regarding the document produced; some members felt that the general principles were sound; however others felt the document too onerous on reporting various daily commitments.

Cllr Thompson proposed, seconded by Cllr Tolver that HPC does not reject the proposals set out in the draft Transparency document submitted on the basis that the contents within clarify points contained in the Standing Orders Sections 7 and 26 were applicable.

Motion failed: Three in favour and four against.

18/29/13 MOTION: To receive recommendation from the Parish Council Finance committee regarding an application for grant assistance made by 1st

Handforth Scouts Group towards the refurbishment of the disabled toilet facilities, Grant requested £1,000.00.

Cllr Smith proposed, seconded by Cllr Burgess to approve the recommendation from the HPC finance committee that the grant be approved in the sum of £1,000.00; and that the council utilise the unspent Youth Activities budget line "SK9" to donate a further £2,350.00 to the scout group to complete the disabled toilet refurbishment. (Further, the clerk would pay invoice directly to the supplier, and if the scout group was successful in obtaining grant awards from any of their other applications, the balance would be returned to the parish council – this was agreed by all HPC councillors as well as the representatives from the scout group).

Motion carried: Six in favour with one abstention.

18/29/14 Notices and Correspondence.

None.

The meeting closed at 8:04pm.

Chair..... Date.....