

**Minutes of the meeting of Handforth Parish Council held on  
Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2015 at 7:30pm, The Youth Centre, Old  
Road, Handforth.**

Present: Cllr Burgess

Cllr I Clark

Cllr Samson (Chair of Handforth PC)

Cllr Smith

Cllr Sullivan

Cllr Tolver

Also present Mr J Brooks, Parish Clerk and six members of the public.

15/19/1 To receive apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr M Clark.

15/19/2 To note declarations of Members' Interests.

Cllr Samson declared a personal interest in item 15/19/9, in that she attends St Chad's Church. Cllr Smith declared a personal interest in item 15/19/10, in that he knows a member of the tennis club's committee. Cllr I Clark expressed a personal interest in the same item, in that he knows the coach at the club.

15/19/3 Open Forum-

A member of the public confirmed that he would be prepared to answer any questions councillors may have about the proposed building works at St Chad's Church (item 15/19/9). There was also a request from a second resident that more information about items accompany the agenda that is published on the Handforth PC website. The Chair responded that from the October, agendas published on the HPC website would include additional information about items.

15/19/4 To approve and sign the minutes of the HPC meeting of the 14<sup>th</sup> July 2015.

Cllr Sullivan highlighted that a correction to an age quoted in item 15/15/12 was necessary, 11 years and not 12. Cllr Burgess proposed, seconded by Cllr Smith that the amended minutes be approved and signed.

**Motion carried: five for and one abstention.**

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15/19/5 To receive a report from the Clerk.  
The Clerk's report opened with an item on the resumption of the Local Plan examination. Moving on to provide feedback on three successful events for young people, that Handforth PC had supported.

15/19/6 To approve accounts for payment.  
Cllr Sullivan proposed, seconded by Cllr Burgess that the order of payments totalling £85,591.48 be approved.

**Resolved: unanimously.**

15/19/7 To note the composition of the Finance Committee.  
It was noted that the Finance Committee for the year 2015/16 comprised of Cllrs Burgess, Smith and Tolver. Councillor Smith acting as Chairman of the committee.

15/19/8 To approve changes to the Financial Regulations proposed by the Finance Committee.  
Cllr Smith proposed, seconded by Cllr Tolver that the changes to the Financial Regulation as circulated, be adopted.

**Resolved: unanimously.**

15/19/9 To consider a grant application for £1000 from St Chad's Church, Handforth, a contribution towards the building works they propose to undertake.  
Cllr Burgess proposed, seconded by Cllr Clark that this grant application for £1000 be approved.

**Resolved: unanimously.**

15/19/10 To consider a grant application for £1000 from Handforth Hall Tennis Club. The funds to be used to offer coach-led tennis sessions for children and adults.  
Cllr Samson informed the meeting that she considered that this grant application had merit, but that it would not be appropriate for Handforth PC to

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pay for refreshments totalling £80. Cllr Samson proposed, seconded by Cllr Smith that a grant application of £920 be approved.

**Resolved: unanimously.**

15/19/11 To approve the expenditure of up to £1700 on a Christmas pantomime for children aged 3 to 12 years.

Cllr Tolver informed the meeting that he had doubts as to whether sufficient thought had been given to the planning of this event. Cllr Burgess proposed that the expenditure of up to £1700 on a pantomime for children aged 3 to 12 years be approved.

**Motion carried: five for and one abstention.**

15/19/12 To approve the expenditure of up to £1100 to be spent on CPR training for Handforth residents.

Cllr Smith suggested that Mrs J Bilsdon be given responsibility for co-ordinating the training sessions, as she had made a success of previous training sessions. He also thought that as the level of interest in attending CPR courses was high, it would unnecessary to spend money on advertising at this time.

Cllr Sullivan proposed, seconded by Cllr Burgess that a sum of up to £1000 be approved to run CPR training courses in Handforth, and that Mrs Bilsdon be asked to organise them. The Parish Clerk to deal with the finances and report back to councillors on the level of support for training sessions

**Resolved: unanimously.**

15/19/13 To confirm that the next meeting of Handforth Parish Council will take place on the 13<sup>th</sup> October 2015.

It was agreed that the next meeting of Handforth Parish Council take place on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2015, 7:30 pm at Handforth Youth Centre.

The meeting closed at 8:10 pm.

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