

**HANDLEY AND DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**  
**HELD AT 7.00 PM ON TUESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 2023**  
**AT THE BARBOUR INSTITUTE , TATTENHALL**

**PRESENT**

Cllrs Nigel Johnson (Chairman), Rory Lea (Vice Chairman), Jon Moseley,  
The Clerk. No members of the public.

**1. APOLOGIES**

Cllrs Karen Worthington, David Mamwell, Rosemary Thomas.  
Ward Cllr Mike Jones.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interests made.

**3. OPEN FORUM**

Members of the public have the opportunity to comment and raise questions on matters affecting the parish. There was no consideration of this item.

**4. CASUAL VACANCIES**

**4.1 Casual Vacancies:-**

No update.

**5. MINUTES**

**Resolved:-** The Council agreed to approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

Proposed by Cllr Lea and seconded by Cllr Moseley.

**6. POLICE**

The report was previously circulated.

**7. MATTERS ARISING**

- The poppies were put up for Remembrance Day throughout the parish.

**8. HIGHWAYS**

**8.1 Handley Village proposed reduction in speed limit :-**

The Clerk has chased CWaC for an update as this was due to be advertised late September and is to ask Ward Cllr Mike Jones to follow up the request.

**8.2 Flooding in Handley Village:-**

Cllr Lea informed the meeting that CWaC have carried out repairs to the blocked drains in Handley.

**9. FORMER CCP DEPOT**

The Clerk has chased CWaC for an update and is awaiting a response.

**10. FINANCE**

**10.1 To approve accounts and bank reconciliation:-**

Receipts:- none received.

Reconciled balance at current bank account at 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023:- £15,774.96

Reconciled balance at business reserve bank account at 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023:- £5,562.70

10.2 Budget to Date:-

The Council received and noted the budget to date as at 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023 and the forecast figures to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024.

10.3 To accept and approve the following payments:-

Chq No	Payee	Stat Power	Amount
618	HMRC (Oct - Dec 2023)		£ 108.00
619	Running Costs	s.111	£ 17.25
620	CWaC – Election Costs	s.111	£ 181.00
621	Barbour Institute (room hire)	s.111	tbc
622	Backdated Pay		£ 64.00
623	Bellis (flowers for planter)		£ 21.96

**Resolved:-** The Council agreed to approve the above payments.

Proposed by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr Lea.

11. **VILLAGE APPEARANCE**

The sandstone planter in Handley has filled by Handley resident Libby Underhill. The Council thanked her for carrying out the work.

12. **BOUNDARY STONE FOR GOLBORNE DAVID**

12.1 Locations:-

The Council confirmed the proposed locations for the boundary stones –

Location 1:- One boundary stone to be sited on private land near to the bridge in Milton Green.

Location 2:- To the rear of the pavement at the junction of the A41 and Chester Road.

12.2 Costings:-

CWaC are yet to provide the cost to install the boundary stone at Location 2.

12.3 Licence:-

**Resolved:-** The Council agreed for the Clerk to apply to highways for a s115e licence for the boundary stone that is to be located to the rear of the pavement at the junction of the A41 and Chester Road.

Proposed by Cllr Mosely and seconded by Cllr Lea.

13. **CALVELEY HALL**

The Clerk has contacted the police, CWaC and Historic England to see whether the building can be made more secure to prevent further damage to the building and to discourage anti-social behaviour.

Historic England has replied to advise that they have been involved in monitoring the condition of the hall for a number of years whilst the owners were still in residence.

They have recently been asked for a nominal bit of involvement and attended a site inspection with CWaC and the local Rural Crime Team of Cheshire Constabulary.

More recently the CWaC social worker has been liaising with us and their appointed solicitor to co-ordinate further action.

It is their understanding that CWAC have taken over the interests of the elderly owners and are responsible for the ongoing security of hall and the Crime Team are continuing with their routine patrolling, especially in response to the recent intrusions.

Cllr Johnson informed the meeting that he has to board up the house on a daily basis due to anti-social behaviour and the building is in an extremely poor state of repair.

The Clerk is to contact Historic England to advise them of this and see whether any further action can be taken to prevent further damage.

#### **14. PLANNING**

##### **14.1 Planning Applications Received:-**

The Planning Register was circulated and no observations were made in respect of planning applications:-

23/03116/FUL - Erection of an agricultural building for storage of fodder with associated hard standing and track to existing access at Land To The South of Chester Road Hatton Chester

23/03165/FUL - Proposed new 1.5 storey extension to accommodate a new entrance hall and staircase, new pitched and flat roof dormers, external design modifications to include alterations to glazing positioning and sizes, re-render and new cladding installation at Beavers Dam Platts Lane Hatton Heath

##### **14.2 Planning Updates:-**

There are no updates.

##### **14.3 Meeting with Bolesworth Estate:-**

Cllr Johnson attended a meeting with Bolesworth Estate and neighbouring parish councils on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November. He updated the meeting about what is happening with local buildings, events taking place at Bolesworth, community updates.

The notes from the meeting are to be posted on the website.

#### **15. CORRESPONDENCE**

- Correspondence:- The list of correspondence received has been distributed to councillors.
- Bolesworth:- The estate have donated two Christmas trees which are to be put up and decorated in Handley and Milton Green.

**Date of next meeting:-** Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2024