

# **Minutes of the Parish Meeting of No Mans Heath and District Parish**

**held at  
Cholmondeley Coronation Hall  
at 7:00 pm on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

(Convened under the terms of the Local Government Act 1972 Part III Clause 15)

A Parish meeting is a statutory forum for local residents to discuss and address issues and concerns relevant to their community and propose resolutions to resolve them.

Chairman: Cllr David Lithgow Smith

Present: 14 Residents of the Parish

## **1. TO DISCUSS ISSUES OF GENERAL CONCERN WITHIN THE PARISH**

The meeting noted that Cllr Charles Higgie faces two charges of sexual assault to which he has pleaded not guilty. The meeting did not discuss the charges. Concerns were raised over his position as a Parish Councillor in the light of these charges. It was felt that the outstanding charges would distract from the work of the Parish Council and activities within the Parish and that Cllr Higgie should, out of respect for the Parish and its Parish Council, step back from Council activities until the legal proceedings had concluded. It was, therefore:

**RESOLVED** to request Cllr Charles Higgie, without any prejudice to the ongoing Court proceedings he faces and merely out of respect for the Community and the Parish Council, to voluntarily withdraw from all Parish Council activities until those proceedings are concluded.

**Proposed:** David Lithgow Smith **Seconded:** David Pegram **Agreed** unanimously  
The Chair agreed to inform Cllr Higgie of the Resolution.

## **2. TO PROVIDE UPDATES ON**

### **2.1 NMH&D Public Footpath Upgrade Project**

Cllr Fran Lithgow Smith highlighted the Parish Council project to replace all footpath stiles in the Parish with kissing gates to improve accessibility. 30 gates are currently available with the first 3 already installed. The initial priority is to create circular routes and connections to the Sandstone Trail.

### **2.2 Littlers Croft Playground**

Cllr Collings detailed the ongoing plan to add 'outdoor gym' equipment to the park with planning and fundraising in progress. Meanwhile the flooding issue is being addressed and the fence has been painted by local Scouts. Additional local signage will be addressed by the Parish Council

### **2.3 Highways Issues**

Cllr Harrop confirmed that the Parish Council is maintaining pressure on CW&C Council to repair the No Mans Heath Mini Roundabouts, provide improved pedestrian crossing signage on the A41, and repair potholes in the

more remote country lanes. CW&C are now being more proactive in correcting poor workmanship by contractors.

Signed .....

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