

Hales and Heckingham Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting of

Hales and Heckingham Parish Council (HHPC)

At 7.30pm on Tuesday 28th of November 2023

The Meeting was held at Hales and Assembly Hall, Briar Lane, Hales

Present: George Buckle (Chairman) (GB)
Keith Beevor (KB)
Craig Broadley-Naylor (CB-N)
Akhil Pramanik (AM)
Martine Rebbeck (Parish Clerk)

Welcome by the Chairman

The Chairman welcomed everyone present.

Apologies & Approval of Absences from Council Members

No Apologies.

Declaration of Interest for items on the agenda

There were no declarations of interest.

Ratification of minutes of meeting held on the 17th of October 2023

The minutes of the meeting held on the 17th of October 2023 were ratified.

County and District Councillors Updates

There were no updates.

To Receive Updates from Individual Councillors

GB has been in contact with Saffron regarding ongoing issues with grass cutting and damaged trees, these are the responsibility of Saffron as this is their land. Ongoing power cuts in the village are causing minor issues to residents, this is also affecting neighbouring villages, individuals need to continue to report problems to UK Power Network.

Agree Budget and Precept for 2024/2025

It was agreed that the budget will remain the same as 2023/2024. The only concern was the increase in Insurance Cover. Martine Rebbeck to get alternative quotes in the New Year. HHPC will not be receiving any credits for the compositing site. Need to look at the Assets to see if

any can be removed. Will be keeping existing dog bins. No Increase on rent to The Pit and Marshes. Looking at raising the precept by 3.8% this was agreed by councillors.

Adjourn Meeting for Public Forum

Reconvene Meeting

Any Other Business

Residents have offered to repair fencing in the Permissive Field. Peter Cargill is looking at putting a gate into Heckingham Park, they would like the Parish Council to contribute towards the cost. All councillors are supportive of offering a contribution. Layby on the A146 signs and signpost have been ripped down, looking at metal posts, need to decide who is responsible. PC Joshua Ford is the new Beat Manager. Police are still patrolling the layby, if residents have any concerns, they are advised to call 101 to report. The speed watch team have been out and visible. Request from CNB for help towards the led candles for the upcoming Christmas Church Service.

Agreed date of next meeting 9th of January 2024

Close of Meeting – 8.30pm