

HAIL WESTON PARISH COUNCIL

**\ MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 18th February 2025
HELD IN HAIL WESTON VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 pm.**

PRESENT:

O Oldfield	(OO) (Chair)
N Burdett	(NB)
V Bolton	(VB)
R Rowley-Smith	(RRS)

IN ATTENDANCE: CCC Councillor Ian Gardener, Andy Pike (Resident) and Sarah Milonas (Clerk).

ACTION

250218 – 1 OPEN FORUM AND TO RECEIVE COUNCILLOR REPORTS The Chairman opened the meeting.

Andy Pike (Resident), Green Lane, Hail Weston. Any concerns about the proposed East Park Energy Scheme should be raised now, this can be done by registering as an interested party. HWPC should respond. Stop East Park Energy are very active. The Parish Council are urged to stay close to the project and consider fundraising or donating to Stop East Park Energy.

Cllr Ian Gardener gave apologies for the previous meetings, and confirmed the CCC part of the council tax will be raising by 4.9%. CCC is launching a new reporting tool for reporting potholes, gully clearance etc. The new system will give much more information on the status of the requests.

Cllr Gardener gave a brief overview of the Unitary council plans, proposals for how the councils may look need to be submitted to central Government by 25th March 2025 and plans in by 28th November 2025.

CCC elections will continue as planned, District council elections next year may not take place due to wanting to delay so they can tie in with the Unitary council's elections.

Fire Authority – the decision on the future of Kimbolton Fire Station has been postponed.

The damaged Ford Gates at the Hail Weston end and the Little Paxton end has been raised with Cllr Gardner. Clerk to forward pictures of the damaged gates.

CLERK

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250218 – 2 RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE
Apologies were received from NF due to a previous commitment, SM due to holiday commitments, HM due to a previous commitment and HDC Ward Councillor Stephen Cawley.

250218 - 3 RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS
No interests declared.

250218 - 4 APPROVE AND SIGN MINUTES (January 21 2025)
Resolved to approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 21 January 2025.

250218-5 LITTER PICK
Resolved to hold the litter pick on Sunday 16th March 2025.
Clerk to arrange equipment delivery from HDC. Clerk to publicise.

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250218 - 6 PLANNING
None to note.

250218 – 7 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE
It was resolved to approve reconciliation, bank statements and expenditure for January 2025.
Resolved to approve Account balances:
Business Money Manager: £46,406.30
Community account: £2,514.82
TOTAL £48,921.12

Resolved to approve payments on finance reports: February 2025.

February 2025 expenditure	
Fresh Pay	£6.00
P Baker	£124.00
SM Wages SCP 29 £20.02/hr (HMRC 159.34)	£624.58
Strength & Balance Classes	£156.00
Clerks Manual	£47.00
Clerks CILCA Training	£450.00
Total	£1443

Resolved to pay all usual utilities and Clerks Wages for March 2025.

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250218 - 8	RESOLVE PROPOSED PURCHASE OF TABLE TENNIS TABLE Table tennis England: price £710, a concrete base will be required to sink the legs of the table into. NB to visit Girten to view their table tennis table fixings. Item to be moved to April agenda item. Clerk to contact HDC for concrete quote.	NB CLERK
250218 - 9	GARDEN OF REST QUOTES Clerk has been unable to secure any quotes for the work required. PC suggestion that the Chairmans report could mention the work required and see if a working party could be formed. Clerk to inform NF.	CLERK
250218-10	PARISH ASSEMBLY PC agreed to invite all previous attendees who delivered reports. Snacks and drinks to be provided.	
250218-11	NET ZERO VILLAGE APPLICATIONS PC agreed to continue with the application for solar panels for the village hall roof. Clerk to submit application.	CLERK
250218-12	CEMETERY UPDATE PC resolved to continue to sell the plots in order as required but aim to keep the first two rows unpurchased to aid gravedigging requirements.	
250218-13	MEMBERS UPDATES NB confirmed there is one solar powered speed camera to put up. Clerk to co-ordinate placing of camera with Paul Baker and NB. Asked VB to ask the Village Hall Management Committee if it would consider storing the extra solar panel. VB to ask. RRS Open space checks are good. Expecting a ROSPA visit in March. OO None VB confirmed the Village Hall floor will be replaced 9 th -11 th April 2025.	CLERK VB
250218-14	CONSIDER ANY COMMUNICATION RECEIVED THAT REQUIRES FORMAL NOTING OR DECISION BY PC a) Clerk to confirm attendance b) Noted by PC c) Clerk to respond citing measures in place d) Clerk to inform UK Power Networks that access will be granted if guarantee can be given to repair any damage sustained.	CLERK CLERK CLERK

- 250218-15** MATTERS TO BE RAISED BY MEMBERS FOR THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING AGENDA
- Table tennis table

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.55 pm.