#### HAIL WESTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 16 APRIL 2024 HELD IN HAIL WESTON VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 pm.

### PRESENT:

N Farnden (NF) (Chair)

O Oldfield (OO)
S Mailer (SM)
V Bolton (VB)
N Burdett (NB)

**IN ATTENDANCE:** HDC Ward Cllr. Stephen Cawley Councillor, CCC Ward Cllr. Ian Gardener and Clerk.

**ACTION** 

240416 – 1 Open Forum - HDC Ward Cllr. Stephen Cawley Councillor. SM enquired if HDC had produced & published an Energy Strategy. A resident had contacted SC for update on bin replacement. CCC Ward Cllr. Ian Gardener -

CCC would be responding to the Solar Farm, and IG had asked CCC to be kept informed of all correspondence. Fire Authority meeting was well attended and much work to be done following it. IG will inform of updates. Complimentary comments on B645 cycle path solar lighting from other Parishes, CCC strategy and vision is published. Forthcoming elections will require photo ID. VB enquired about small precept charge given resolved not to increase.

- **240416 2** It was RESOLVED to accept apologies and reasons from RRS and HM.
- **240416 3** One matter of Interest received from SM in that item 240416-5b was adjacent to own property.
- **240416 4** It was Resolved to approve Minutes of the Parish Meeting held on 20 February 2024.
- 240416 5
- a) It was Resolved to Approve Planning application **24/00471/HHFUL**, Erection of single storey outbuilding, Brookend Farm 17 19 Ford End Hail Weston. Clerk to thank HDC, for accepting late observations & notify HDC of no resident objections received prior to or at the PC Meeting.
- b) It was Resolved to Approve Planning application **24/00510/S73**, Variation of Condition 2 (Plans listed in table above) of 21/02338/HHFUL, 53 High Street Hail Weston St Neots Clerk to thank HDC, for accepting late observations & notify HDC of no resident objections received prior to or at the PC Meeting.

# Outstanding Decisions by HDC

**22/02269/\$73** Proposal: Variation of conditions 1 (approved plans), 14 (LEMP), 15 (Soft Landscaping), 17 (Fence colour) and 24 (Archaeology) of 18/02145/\$73 to vary the approved panels, drainage arrangements, landscaping and ecology management, fence colour and treatment of service cables. Site Address: Little Staughton Solar Farm Little Staughton Airfield Little Staughton.

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**23/70097/SCOP** Land East of Little Staughton and Land Between South of Great Staughton and Hail Weston. Kimbolton Road, Hail Weston. HDC Status 'Unknown'.

- 240416 6 It was Resolved that the Clerk vacancy would be revised including a new pay bracket of £18.58 £20.37 Locum Clerk to fill the vacancy.
- 240416 7 It was RESOLVED to approve end-of-year reconciliation, bank statements, and expenditures for April. Account balances: Business Money Manager £52,705.18 Community a/c £5,500.60

## **TOTAL £58,206**

# April 2024 expenditure:

P Baker £1029.71

Huntingdon District Council (HDC) £280

Total Energies streetlight supply £50.19 (parish-owned lighting) Clerk Wages April (J Abell) £549.41 (SCP 25) £137.59 HMRC VHMC Hall hire £100

Clark & Kent BMX track £16,000

Rospa £160

T & S Groundsman £580

CAPALC Subs £365.06

HDC £280.80

ACRE Subs £65

# 240416 - 8 Councillor updates:

**VB** attended the VH Committee meeting, fete preparation continues noting resident concern about parking.

**RRS** circulated safety checks. The following items were noted the BMX track, Fort at the playing field but low risk. Awaiting RoSPA report.

**NB** to progress responsibilities for the Community Led Plan actions and circulate before the next meeting.

**OO** Solar meeting attended with other parish councils and Bedford Borough Council. SM awaits further documents to be released by East Park Energy for scoping.

- 240416 9

  It was Resolved to engage with CCC to request road signage highlighting pedestrians using Bird Lane and enhance existing 'Unsuitable for HGV' use for Ford End to include weight restriction from Little Paxton end. The Green Lane & Bird Lane junction was discussed, and it was felt as this wouldn't meet the LHI criteria currently, this matter is to be reviewed once development in Bird Lane has been completed and full resident engagement had taken place.
- 240416 10 Tree on High Street near the Bus stop had been damaged and awaiting instruction from CCC. Bird Lane developer had corrected the damaged curb stone to resident drive.
- **240416 –11** RoSPA, AGAR items for the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm.