**Minutes, Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council 28th October 2024 at the Civic Hall.**

**There were present:** Cllrs. B Beeley – Chairman, H Bishop – Vice Chairman

E Adamson S Al-Hamdani

K Barton M Birchall

R Blackmore K Dawson

L Dawson J Garner

P Gaul A Marland

K Phillips M Powell

G Sheldon P Walsh

The Chairman Cllr Barbara Beeley welcomed Councillors to the meeting and prayers were led by the Rev Ken McNally

**3638. To receive Public Questions**

None received

**3639. Chairman’s Urgent Business**

Cllr Beeley invited Cllr Powell to update Councillors on the Community Fridge Scheme. He advised that the venues previously identified were not in fact suitable and that the Task & Finish Group were exploring other options and that he would provide further updates at the next meeting.

Cllr Beeley reminded Councillors, that if they wished to discuss anything at the meeting, they must advise the Clerk at least 5 days in advance so it could be added to the agenda. Anything received after that date had passed would be refused.

**3640. To receive apologies for Absence:** Cllrs D Wall, M Bingley, L Thompson. A Wrigley.

**3641. To receive Declarations of Interest:** None declared

**3642. Correspondence**

* Response received from the Link re Banking Hub request facilities in Saddleworth. The Clerk read out the response received and it was discussed.

It was resolved that the Parish Council would complete the new application form with the additional information required, and copy in Debbie Abrahams, MP, into the correspondence.

* The Chairman read out the invitation received to a meeting 6th November from Network Rail regarding Moorgate Crossing.

It was resolved that Cllrs Blackmore and Bishop, along with Ward Councillors would attend this meeting.

**3643. Notice of Motion concerning Planning and Healthcare (Cllr Al-Hamdani)**

This motion proposes that we write to the Department of Health and the Department of Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with regards to the current planning laws re healthcare provision. Currently planning laws do not include guidelines for minimum standards of healthcare provision and GP practices when housing developments are being considered.

These guidelines should include:

* the maximum numbers of people for GPs surgery lists;
* a clear way of addressing the lack of healthcare provision in planning decisions;
* reference to neighbourhood plan responses from local people;
* a clear way of increasing GP facilities when there are increases in population;
* ways to ensure services from local hospitals are available in facilities out in communities.

Motion proposed by Cllr Al-Hamdani; seconded by Cllr Powell.

Cllrs Al-Hamdani advised that current Planning Legislation does not require consideration be given to Health Care provision when planning applications for new developments are considered. This clearly needs to be changed, given the issues in Saddleworth.

Cllr Phillips agreed that the service is poor in the Saddleworth area, but that this was already being addressed through Places For Everyone and that Councillors could record their concerns via the Change NHS Consultation.

There was further discussion on this and Cllr Phillips proposed the following amendment to the motion, which was seconded by Cllr Gaul, that we include in the Motion:

“Saddleworth Parish Council will input Councillors’ concerns into the Change NHS Consultation 24 process”

This amendment to the Motion was approved. Proposed Cllr Al-Hamdani, seconded Cllr Powell, carried.

**3644. To approve and confirm as a correct record the Draft Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 23rd September 2024**

The minutes were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman. Proposed Cllr Al-Hamdani, seconded Cllr Sheldon.

**3645. To note the minutes of the Assets Management Committee meeting held 16th September 2024**

Cllr Sheldon advised on point 755, Health & Safety, that the replacement fire escape needed additional safety bars at the top to ensure a child couldn’t fall thorough the gap. The manufacturer had agreed to fit this free of charge.

Cllr Garner wished to report the Civic Hall clock was not working. The Clerk responded she was already aware of this and that the Site Manager was arranging for the annual service of the clock and this would be rectified.

The minutes were proposed by Cllr Sheldon, seconded by Cllr Phillips and accepted.

**3646. To note the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held 16th September 2024.**

The minutes were proposed by Cllr Phillips, seconded by Cllr Garner and accepted.

**3647. To note the minutes of the Strategic Planning Committee meeting held 26th September 2024**

Cllr Al-Hamdani updated councillors on the consultation progress of the Neighbourhood Plan; that there were a couple of outstanding queries with OMBC Planning and PEAK Planning and once those have been resolved the next step would be to appoint a Planning Inspector.

The minutes were proposed by Cllr Al-Hamdani, seconded by Cllr Beeley and accepted.

**3648. To note the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held 26th September 2024**

The minutes were proposed by Cllr Al-Hamdani, seconded by Cllr Sheldon and accepted.

**3649. To note the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held 7th October 2024**

There was a query about the original minutes taken from this meeting and the Clerk confirmed that they would be amended and shared as soon as possible.

The minutes, with the amendments noted, were proposed by Cllr Bishop, seconded by Cllr Blackmore and accepted.

**3650. To note the record of the Communications Committee Meeting held 17th October 2024**

Cllr Al-Hamdani explained that the meeting wasn’t quorate so only a record could be taken. The recommendations made at this meeting had been shared and approved at the Communications meeting which took place prior to this full council meeting.

The record of this meeting was proposed by Cllr Al-Hamdani, seconded by Cllr Bishop and accepted.

**3651. Consultation responses Traffic Calming Measures Uppermill**

Cllr Beeley advised that since the last meeting of the council the proposed traffic calming measures had been withdrawn and a new scheme is being proposed. Cllr Sheldon and Cllr Bishop briefed the meeting on these new proposals and it was discussed.

Cllr Garner asked whether there would be a further consultation, Cllr Bishop advised that there wouldn’t but that the original objections and concerns had been taken into account.

**3652. Report to Council under Financial Regulations (item 3.4) to approve costs above insurance settlement figure to be incurred on car park retaining wall rebuild**

Cllr Al-Hamdani explained to councillors why this action was being taken under our Financial regulations item 3.4.regarding the rebuild of the Civic Hall car park wall which is structurally unsafe and currently cordoned off to ensure we are meeting our health & safety responsibilities.

The Clerk advised she had consulted the Chairman of the Finance Committee Cllr Al-Hamdani, to approve the difference between the actual rebuild cost £62,128.62, and the £40,000 settlement figure agreed by the Asset Management Committee with the insurer. The amount of £22,128.62 to be taken from reserves to cover this shortfall. The Chairman of the Finance Committee had agreed to this request.

Cllr Al-Hamdani proposed that Council accept this request to take £22,128.62 out of reserves. seconded Cllr Sheldon, carried.

**3653. Accounts for Payment September 2024** Income £8,384.45 Expenditure £ 29,869.45

The accounts were proposed by Cllr Al-Hamdani, seconded Cllr Phillips and accepted.

Payments list, see appendix 1

**3654. Dates of the next meeting:- Monday 25th November at 19.30hrs**

**Appendix 1**

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| **September 24 Payments** |  |  |  |
| **Bank Date** | **Supplier** | **Details** | **Amount** |
| 02-Sep-24 | PUBLIC WORKS LOANS | Capital Repayment | 5,429.52 |
| 02-Sep-24 | PUBLIC WORKS LOANS | Interest | 171.81 |
| 06-Sep-24 | JWS ELECTRICAL | New Kitchen Lighting | 468.00 |
| 06-Sep-24 | CENTRE GLASS | Cleaning Consumables | 81.87 |
| 09-Sep-24 | TV LICENCE | TV Licence | 13.25 |
| 10-Sep-24 | WATER PLUS | Water - 8/24 | 426.92 |
| 11-Sep-24 | BRITISH GAS | Electricity 24/7/24-22/8/24 | 1,005.61 |
| 11-Sep-24 | ARJENTO | Silver Bails for Chairman's Medal | 320.00 |
| 12-Sep-24 | AROUND S/WORTH | Advert - 8 & 9/24 | 228.00 |
| 13-Sep-24 | SALARIES | Admin - 9/24 | 4,458.33 |
| 13-Sep-24 | SALARIES | Civic - 9/24 | 4,632.88 |
| 13-Sep-24 | KUALO | Domaine Registration & Councillor Emails | 209.84 |
| 16-Sep-24 | OMBC | Rates - Cemetery | 48.00 |
| 16-Sep-24 | OMBC | Pest Control | 30.00 |
| 16-Sep-24 | OMBC | General Rates - Civic Hall | 1,160.00 |
| 16-Sep-24 | AMAZON | Banquet Roll | 54.90 |
| 19-Sep-24 | EXPENSES | Frank Key - Jet washer repair - set off vs new washer | 42.00 |
| 19-Sep-24 | EXPENSES | Safety Boots | 49.35 |
| 19-Sep-24 | EXPENSES | Training - Food Hygiene & Safety for catering | 24.00 |
| 19-Sep-24 | EXPENSES | Training - Cellar Management | 95.00 |
| 19-Sep-24 | EXPENSES | Estate Mileage | 12.60 |
| 19-Sep-24 | EXPENSES | Office Milk & Decaff Coffee | 4.85 |
| 19-Sep-24 | EXPENSES | Office Milk | 1.25 |
| 20-Sep-24 | HMRC | Tax & NI - Admin - 8/24 | 1,265.49 |
| 20-Sep-24 | HMRC | Tax & NI - Civic - 8/24 | 1,073.03 |
| 20-Sep-24 | MBHARRINGTON | Civic Car Park Clear Area - Skip Hire | 300.00 |
| 20-Sep-24 | MBHARRINGTON | Civic Car Park Clear Area - Labour & Plant | 360.00 |
| 20-Sep-24 | MBHARRINGTON | Civic Hall - Fix Community Toilet sign | 96.00 |
| 20-Sep-24 | MBHARRINGTON | J5S Burial | 360.00 |
| 20-Sep-24 | MBHARRINGTON | G22S Burial - 12/9/24 | 300.00 |
| 20-Sep-24 | COMMERCE BUSINESS | Copier/Printer Usage | 72.41 |
| 23-Sep-24 | BNP PARIBAS LEASING | Copier Lease (Quarterly) | 182.46 |
| 24-Sep-24 | CAPRICORN SECURITY | Pink Tribute | 594.00 |
| 24-Sep-24 | EXPENSES | Frank Key - New Jet Washer - includes £42 discount above | 413.70 |
| 24-Sep-24 | MATHEW MCGURG | Oven & Extractor Canopy Clean | 350.00 |
| 24-Sep-24 | BUCKLE J SON | Dawsons Field & Red Row grass cuts x2 8/24 | 220.00 |
| 24-Sep-24 | DAVE TALBOT-CEDAR | Civic Hall Grass Cutting x2 - 8 & 9/24 | 160.00 |
| 24-Sep-24 | ONE WINDOW CLEANING | Civic Hall Window Cleaning | 132.50 |
| 24-Sep-24 | ELCONS HR/LAW | HR/Legal Consultancy (23) - 9/24 | 121.20 |
| 24-Sep-24 | GREENFIELD PUBLISHING | Monthly Advert - 9/24 | 98.40 |
| 24-Sep-24 | SEFTONS | Payroll - 8/24 | 48.00 |
| 24-Sep-24 | RBL POPPY APPEALL | D Day Wreath | 27.50 |
| 24-Sep-24 | OMBC | Refuse collection | 274.38 |
| 25-Sep-24 | EXPENSES | Safety Boots | 28.00 |
| 30-Sep-24 | GMPF | Pensions - Admin - 9/24 | 1,046.30 |
| 30-Sep-24 | GMPF | Pensions - Civic - 9/24 | 1,017.63 |
| 30-Sep-24 | ZURICH INSURANCE | Insurance 24-25 - Qtr to 30/11/24 | 1,111.88 |
| 30-Sep-24 | SHORROCK TRICHEM | Hygiene | 140.87 |
| 30-Sep-24 | UNIVERSAL LAUNDRY | Linen - Sachin Silver Wedding - Recharged | 114.76 |
| 30-Sep-24 | NAT WEST | Bank Charges 2/3/24 - 31/5/24 | 39.20 |
| 30-Sep-24 | COUNCILLOR EXPENSES | Mileage - Meltham Civic Service with BB | 18.90 |
| 01-Oct-24 | THE GATE INN, DIGGLE | Community Toilets Q3 2024-25 | 150.00 |
| 01-Oct-24 | THE SWAN, DOBX | Community Toilets Q3 2024-25 | 150.00 |
| 01-Oct-24 | JUNCTION INN , DENSHAW | Community Toilets Q3 2024-25 | 150.00 |
| 01-Oct-24 | KING BILL , G/FIELD | Community Toilets Q3 2024-25 | 150.00 |
| 01-Oct-24 | S/WORTH CRAFTS, DELPH | Community Toilets Q3 2024-25 | 150.00 |
| 01-Oct-24 | THE LITTLE SHOP, UPPERMILL | Community Toilets Q3 2024-25 | 150.00 |
| 01-Oct-24 | EASY WEB SITES | Website Management Fee - 10/24 | 34.86 |
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