**Minutes of Hart Parish Council Monthly Meeting**

**held at 6.45pm on Monday 11th November 2024 in Hart Village Hall**

**Present:** Councillors John Littlefair, Keith Brown, Keith Park, John Wilson, Joanne Quarmby, Stuart Brookes, Tom Britcliffe

**In Attendance:** Fiona Ford - Clerk

1. **Public Forum**

There were no members of the public in attendance.

1. **Apologies**

Apologies were submitted and accepted from Councillors Rob Darby and Aaron Roy.

1. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of Interest.

1. **Police Report**

Councillor Littlefair updated following the Tees Valley Crime Forum and advised that either Lee Maplebeck the Rural Champion or the new Chief Inspector could attend a future meeting.

1. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 21st October 2024**

The minutes from the previous meeting were accepted.

1. **Matters Arising**
2. **South View Car Parking** – Chase Peter Frost for an update (Option B)
3. **CCTV on Worset Lane** – Installation is expected this week. It was noted cameras are also being installed around the Solar Park.
4. **Car Park Gate** – Councillor Park advised a Scope of Work Meeting has been organised for 19th November 2024
5. **Kings Portrait** – The Church have confirmed they have their own Kings Portrait, so it was agreed the Parish Council’s Kings Portrait will be loaned to L Mirage (John Gettings).
6. **Chairman’s Report**

The following items were noted/discussed:

* A discussion took place regarding communication between the Village Hall Committee and the Parish Council to enable closer working relationships.
* Highway Works at Buckingham Avenue.
* Concerns re speeding on A179 – need to discuss further with the Police.
* Lee Mapplebeck will attend a Parish Council meeting, if the Inspector is unable to.

1. **Ward Councillor’s Report**

* Clerk to email Councillor Darby and ask HBC to confirm when the (58/59 sign) will go up on the Bus stop at the Fens.

1. **Maintenance Committee Report**

The following items were noted/discussed:

* Grass verge at the Fens – needs to be tidied up by Affordable Landscaping (Check the list as should be on).
* Hedge from Nine Acres to the village needs to be cut back – report to HBC.
* Car park – Affordable Landscaping to strim the grass and remove the weeds. Also look into if some gravel could be added to the picnic bench areas to tidy it up.
* Flooding continues to be an issue through the village.
* Helen Smith, Planning Policy Team Leader to discuss list of priorities for Section 106 monies – Keith to invite her to a future meeting.

1. **Financial Report**

The following cheques were signed:

100925 Clerk wages (Oct 2024) £231.20

100926 HMRC (PAYE Oct 2024) £57.80

100927 Clerk (Reimbursement for website) £215.56

100928 Affordable Landscapes (grass cutting Oct) £476.40

**Total £980.96**

1. **Correspondence**

There was no correspondence to discuss.

1. **Planning Applications**

There were no planning applications to discuss.

1. **Matters of Concern to Councillors**

* Village Hall Ivy overgrown on the Road – Councillor Littlefair to contact the Vicarage
* Discussion around poachers

1. **Date of next Meeting of the Parish Council**

The next meeting will be held as follows:

Monday 9th December at 6.45 pm

*Meeting closed at 8:00 pm Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*