

HYDE LEA PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 12th January 2022 at Hyde Lea & Coppenhall village hall.

Those present;

Parish councillors; Mr J Eaves [chairman] - Mr R Edwards- Mr R Pitt--Mr W Mason- Mr G Denny.

Borough/County councillor; Mr M Winnington [from 7.20pm]

Mr D Jones [clerk to the council].

01: The chairman welcomed those present and the meeting started at 7.0pm.

02: Apologies; had been received from Borough Councillor Mr R Sutherland

03; No interests declared, or dispensations requested by councillors on any agenda items.

04: Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10th November 2021;

The minutes, having been previously circulated, were approved and signed as a true record.

05: Report on matters arising from the meeting not covered elsewhere on the agenda;

Streetscene have cleared the leaf fall on Hyde Lea Bank.

Councillor Pitt explained that as no volunteers have come forward for the Community Speed watch which is not functioning at present.

06; Councillor Winnington; Had no report but promised to take up any issues raised at the meeting

07: Financial matters;

A; The council agreed to pay the following invoices;

WEL Medical [defibrillator battery]	£223.14	Cheque No 101197
Autela Payroll	£52.20	Cheque No 101198
H M Revenue & Customs	£140.40	Cheque No 101199
Clerks salary & expenses	£623.36	Cheque No 101200
Contact magazine	£300.00	Cheque No 101201

B; Precept. After a lengthy discussion it was agreed unanimously to raise the parish precept by 6%.

08: Planning matters;

Councillor Winnington explained that the Borough Planning Department is almost 12 months in arrears due to pressure of work and staff shortages.

09; Provision of additional defibrillator in the village.

Discussed at length, councillors decided not to pursue matter at present.

10: Roads, Highways& Footpaths;

Civic amenity visits; the service is restarting on 5th March The council decided to bid for 2 visits one in May and one in October.

Trees on the Bank; following the site meeting in October 2021 a quotation was received for Michael Garrett to carry out an in-depth survey at a cost of £1344.00[vat inclusive]. This was queried and a further quotation for the work was requested. An email received on 7th January mentioned a figure of approximately £600. for a lesser survey. After a lengthy debate the council voted by a narrow majority to agree to this providing more details of the costs are given. Councillor Winnington agreed that if such a survey identified trees considered dangerous the County Council would be obliged to carry out the necessary work.

11: Correspondence;

Following an article in a weekly SPCA bulletin, the clerk explained the parish document retention policy.

The meeting also agreed that our local Member of Parliament be contacted in line with other councils regarding government policy on remote meetings.

12; Village Hall matters; 20th March is the 25th anniversary of the village hall.

The next meeting is on Wednesday 9th March 2022

Meeting ended at.8.35pm.