

HYDE LEA PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 12th March 2025 at Hyde Lea & Coppenhall village hall.

Those present;

Parish councillors; Mr J Eaves [chairman] - Mr N Clarke- Mr R Pitt-Ms J Wilkes.
; Mr D Jones [clerk to the council].

01: The chairman welcomed those present and the meeting started at 7.00 pm.

02: Apologies; none received from Borough or County Councillors.

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

04: Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8th January 2025.

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;

Rural bus services; Councillor Winnington was reminded but nothing has been heard.

Footpath issues; Councillor Wilkes reported that a successfully meeting was held with Mr Holt who has since repaired his section of the bridleway. A letter of thanks to be sent.

06; Website;

As Eric Roy, our current webmaster is retiring we need to find another company to carry on and update the actual site. Clerk reported that he has been in contact with a company called Aubergine who supply and maintain parish council websites The initial set up cost for a new website would be £499.00 plus vat and an annual support charge of £199.00 plus vat. This company are a commercial organisation who deliver websites to numerous parishes around the country and the cost seems reasonable. The meeting discussed the matter and agreed to proceed with this company providing no further quotations were received

07; Defibrillator;

A problem occurred with the electrics which was sorted out by a local electrician. Councillor Clarke explained that at the last meeting of the village hall committee the question of warranty was raised. The apparatus is over 10 years old and is no longer under warranty, but it is checked weekly to confirm it is still in working order. It was agreed previously that when system fails we will purchase a replacement.

08; Financial matters; The council agreed to pay the following invoices;

Clerks' salary/expenses; £729.86- Cheque No 101272

PAYE £171.00- Cheque No 101273

Contact grant; it was agreed that a grant of £350.00 be paid at the May meeting.

09; Planning matters;

An application 25/40197 was on the weekly advice from the Borough Council but although it is in the parish no advice was sent to us. It refers to an extension to Doxefields farm house which the meeting agreed was not a problem. . .

10: Correspondence;

Routine emails from SPCA and other organisations such as Staffordshire Fire & Rescue.

11: Roads, Highways& Footpaths;

An email from the clerk of Abbots Bromley parish had been circulated. In it she outlines the costs and problems of installing Speed Indication Device[SID] After a brief debate it was agreed not to pursue the matter for the village.

Complaints have been received from wheelchair and push chair user about the problems with vehicles parking part on the footpath on the bank. Due to the footpath being partly blocked they have to pass the vehicle on the main road which is dangerous. It was suggested that a photo of the offending vehicle be sent to the police for their action.

12; Village hall matters. Councillor Clarke gave a brief resume of the last meeting, the next meeting of the committee is on Monday 17th March...

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 14th May 2025 at Hyde Lea & Coppenhall village hall, starting at 7.00pm This is the combined Annual Parish Assembly and Annual Meeting of the Parish Council.

Meeting ended at.8.20pm