



HALTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Halton Parish Council Meeting

held on **Wednesday, 15th February, 2017** at 7.30pm, in Halton Village Hall

Present:

Councillors:

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| B. Thompson (Chairman) | Mrs A Jimson (Vice Chair) | Mrs Ellwood | H. Pearce |
| P. Czaplinski | Mrs C Waddams | | |
| Mrs Fiona Lippmann - Parish Clerk | | | |
| FO E Lismore (RAF Halton) | PIT Off Emma Tulip | | |
| WC N Stacey | DC S Bowles | 2 x member of the public | |

17.001 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs O'Shea and Mrs Barber

16.125 Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on 9th November, 2016 were unanimously agreed and duly signed by the Chairman.

16.126 Declarations of Interests

There were no declarations of interest for decisions to be made, on the Agenda.

The Chairman closed the meeting for the following items:-

16.127 RAF

The following areas were presented and discussed with FO Lismore and WC Stacey:-

- WC Stacey came to discuss the announcement of the 56 Defence Estate sites to be disposed of and rationalised, which would include the airfield site. She explained that the DIO proposed that the site will be disposed of by 2022 as the RAF had no further use for it and all flying is no longer of military output. Current military gliding training will be relocated to another site. As far as the future of the site was concerned, no knowledge of future use had yet been shared. Although the airfield is one pocket of land, there is still a study ongoing of the 'core output', this study had not yet been completed, but it was emphasised that the airfield and the Base are completely separate situations. It was regretted that the future use of the buildings, and land, on the corner of Tring Road and Chestnut Avenue is not yet known. This is following the latest survey, which has proven them beyond economic repair and they have been closed with immediate effect. This group of buildings includes the firing range, which has now been closed, and is a virtual indoor firing range located in the buildings, which has meant that an increase in the use of the outdoor firing range has had to take place and that outdoor training will be outside for the near future.
- The new Station Commander will be in post from 28th December 2016.
- The next graduation parades would be 22 November, 6 and 20 December.
- Work had started on the trees along Chestnut Avenue being cut back.
- The Freedom of Wendover Parade would take place on Sunday, 14 May 2017.
- PO Emma Tulip would be FO Eddie Lismore's replacement Parish Liaison Officer.

16.128 Open Forum

D Cllr Bowles reported that the numbers of houses required within the VALP had been reduced by 6000.

Approximately half of these have already been allocated. The change to a Unitary Authority continues with BCC and AVDC both submitting proposals to central government. BCC are consulting already and AVDC will be consulting later on.

The Chairman then re-opened the meeting

16.129 Clerk's report

The Clerk had nothing to report that would not be a contribution under the separate headings of the Agenda.

16.130 Finance

The following invoices and contractual payments were made (23.09.2016 – 31.10.2016):-

| Payee | Date | Amount |
|--|-------|--------|
| Unicom | 26.9 | 33.53 |
| Clerk Salary (September) | 28.9 | 567.76 |
| Bookings Clerk | 28.9 | 105.00 |
| Caretaker | 28.9 | 48.00 |
| S Hunt | 28.9 | 30.00 |
| G Law (window cleaning) | 03.10 | 25.00 |
| Wendover Arm Trust | 03.10 | 25.00 |
| The Turville Team | 03.10 | 150.00 |
| DIO (Cabling across RAF land) | 03.10 | 10.00 |
| E-on (power to VH) | 05.10 | 56.64 |
| E-on (power to street lights) | 11.10 | 218.64 |
| Wickes (wallpaper for VH) | 11.10 | 24.00 |
| L. Barber (prepare wall and apply wallpaper) | 11.10 | 104.00 |
| Nature Signs (new key to noticeboards) | 11.10 | 9.60 |
| E Sharp Electrical | 13.10 | 200.76 |
| British Gas (heating in VH) | 17.10 | 132.38 |
| Unicom | 26.10 | 35.96 |
| Mazars (audit) | 27.10 | 270.00 |
| Clerk (October) | 27.10 | 567.76 |
| HMRC | 27.10 | 116.00 |
| Toilet Hire | 27.10 | 93.60 |
| Pan European (Photocopier quarterly lease) | 27.10 | 544.89 |
| Bookings Clerk | 28.10 | 105.00 |
| Caretaker | 28.10 | 48.00 |
| S Hunt | 28.10 | 30.00 |

Receipts

| Payer | Deposit slip | Amount |
|-----------------------------|--------------|----------|
| Lloyds Bank (interest) | DD | 0.81 |
| Buckland PC (office rental) | DD | 100.00 |
| Hall Hire | DD | 847.25 |
| Precept (2nd tranche) | DD | 10860.00 |
| VAT refund | DD | 143.45 |

| Bank Balances – as at 31 October, 2016 | |
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| Account 00822879 | 1001.00 |
| Account 02689033 | 23441.24 |
| Total | 24442.24 |

b. Projects – The Chairman wished it noted that as money had been accepted to provide an additional defibrillator, this must be provided. As the area around Moor Park had been identified, due to its proximity to Wendover, Wendover Parish Council will be approached to contribute towards the installation costs.

c. The precept requirements were discussed in detail. It was proposed and agreed that the annual precept for 2017/18 be increased from £21720 to £27000. This would allow for the replacement of several street lights that were coming to the end of their lives, also to allow for the constant increase in prices of utilities etc.

16.131 Consultations

Current Consultations that were out for consideration were from BCC – Unitary Options with the VALP being analysed before going out for further consultation

16.132 Highways

Cllr Mrs Barber was not at the meeting to report on the Highway. The Clerk reported, however, that there had been further problems with downloading the data from the MVAS.

16.133 HS2

Cllr Thompson reported that the case by Halton and Wendover had been presented to the Select Committee. He proposed, and it was agreed, that HS2 would now be discussed on an ad hoc basis and be removed from the routine agenda.

16.134 Village Hall

Cllr Mrs Jimson drew the attention of the members to the wall that had been newly papered to prevent damage to the plaster when hirers used blu tac to put up posters.

Cllrs Mrs Jimson and Waddams offered to approach the Forestry Commission for a donation of a Christmas Tree for outside the Hall.

16.135 Environment and the Canal

There were no updates to report

16.136 Website

There was nothing to report on the current website. It was noted that the new layout of the Village Newsletter was a great improvement.

16.137 Planning

There were no planning matters to discuss.

16.138 Neighbourhood Plan

The first public consultation would be going ahead on 12th November. The responses would be the start of the evidence gathering process, that would feed into the policies.

16.139 Correspondence

There were no hard copies to circulate.

16.140 Matters of Report

- The Christmas Lunch for elderly residents of the parish would be held on 9th December.

16.141 Date, time and venue of next meeting.

Date of next Halton Parish Council meeting was scheduled for Wednesday 20th December, 2016 at Halton Village Hall at 7.30pm. Due to the number of apologies received, this meeting would be inquorate so could not be held. The next meeting of the Parish Council is scheduled for 31st January, 2017. Should there be decisions that had to be made before this time, an Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting would be called.

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm

Signed _____
Chairman

Date _____