

**Minutes of the Meeting of Hanbury Parish Council (HPC)
Held in the Village Hall on Monday 29th January 2024 at 19.30hrs in Hanbury
Pavilion.**

Councillors present

M Bishop, S Sproule, T Johns, A Burnett, Caroline Marock, Ian Few, Rosie Terry and N Cook.

Others present

14 members of the public and Dst Cllr Tony Dawkes.

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received and approved from Cllr R Raxter and Cty Cllr Tony Miller(TM)

2. 2. Declarations of Interest.

a) Register of interests; Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests.

b) Councillors to declare any other Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature.

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d) Written requests for the council to grant a dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011) are to be with the clerk at least four clear days prior to a meeting.

3. To consider the approval of the minutes from the last Parish Council Meeting that was held on Monday 27th November 2023.

The minutes were approved as an accurate record and signed accordingly.

Public Question Time

***The Parish Council meeting was closed for public question time and reopened after.
The time allocated is at the discretion of the council/chairman.***

4. Progress reports from the previous minutes for information.

Progress reports from November 2023.

- Mr Paul Hill has fitted the new noticeboards on the Recreation Ground.
- New speed sign at the school to be installed when the components are available.
- Quotes are to be obtained and submitted to the Clerk for the window repair at the village hall – please see item below.

5. Correspondence received to date:

The following items were made available for discussion at the meeting.

- Consultation on local aggregate assessment. From Worcestershire CC.
- Comments on application plus photo of flooded site area.
- Wychavon design code consultation at www.wychavon.gov.uk/design-codes

6. County and District Councillors Reports:

- 6.1 County Cllr Miller sent his apologies.
- 6.2 District Councillor Nick Dawkes noted that there were the following grants available via Wychavon.
- Community Legacy Grant
 - Orchard Grant

7. Planning:

- 7.1. Plans considered by the Parish Council.

W/23/02488/OUT

Location: Land At (Os 9633 6293), Droitwich Road, Hanbury.

Description of Proposal: Outline planning application for a rural exception site for up to 10 dwellings.

The Parish Council **OBJECTED** to this application, they agreed that the Chairman of the Parish Council would provide a full planning reply on the following reasons.

- Green Belt – Inappropriate use of Rural Planning Exception
- Flooding and Sewage Handling
- Sustainability
- Traffic and Road Safety Issues.
- Destruction of Wildlife & the Environment.

W/23/00164/LB Associated Ref:W/22/00163/HP

Location: Fosters Green Cottage, Fosters Green, Lower Bentley, Bromsgrove, B60 4HY
Proposal: Erection of single storey rear and side extension to existing cottage and associated works and erection of bat roost/garage structure.

Additional information/amendment(s) have been received for this planning application. The Parish Council noted they had **nothing to add** to this application following the receipt of additional information.

W/23/00162/LB Associated Ref:W/23/00163/FUL

Location: Barns And Land At (Os 9764 6510), Fosters Green, Lower Bentley
Proposal: Conversion and extension to existing barn to create 1 x new dwelling together with associated works including demolition of Dutch Barn and erection of bat roost/garage structure.

Additional information/amendment(s) have been received for this planning application. The Parish Council noted they had **nothing to add** to this application following the receipt of additional information.

W/23/02567/HP Associated Ref:W/23/02568/LB

Location: Pumphouse Farm, Loggerheads Lane, Hanbury, Droitwich Spa, WR9 7EB
Description of Proposal: Erection of a two storey extension to the front of the house and a single storey extension to the rear of the house, with new porch. Landscaping works including creation of a new natural swimming pond.

The Parish Council noted that they had **NO OBJECTION** to this application.

W/23/02592/AGR

Location: Monkwood Farm, Droitwich Road, Bradley Green, Redditch, B96 6RA
Description of Proposal: Prior notification for extension to agricultural building for muck and machinery storage
The Parish Council noted that this application was already approved.

W/23/01833/FUL

Location: Land Off, Hill Lane, Hanbury
Description of Proposal: The re-instatement of historical access point to agricultural field by means of field gate and pipe across drainage ditch.
The Parish Council had **NO OBJECTIONS** to this application although they were unaware of the historic nature of the access.

- 7.2 Approved by Wychavon DC.
Planning Ref: W/23/02050
Proposal: Replacing existing outbuilding with a slightly larger footprint
Location: Keepers Cottage, Bradley Green, Hanbury, Redditch, B96 6TQ

Planning Ref: W/23/01516/FUL
Proposal: Demolition of existing barns and construction of bungalow, to replace approved barn conversion
Location: Temple Oak House, Harmans Hill, Broughton Green, Hanbury, Droitwich Spa, WR9 7EF

8. To Receive Reports and discuss matters regarding.

8.1 Village Hall Management Committee

- 8.1.1 Cllr AB has obtained a quote for the necessary replacement windows in the village hall at £5195. Other quotes are to be obtained.
Cllr NC has obtained a quote for the painting of the exterior woodwork at the village hall at £5985. Other quotes are to be obtained.
It was noted that more quotes were needed for submission to the Council for the work and to ensure they were quoting for the same work. It was noted that the windows could be replaced or painted although the Council agreed that replacement would be the ideal long term solution for the windows in question.

- 8.1.2 It was noted that the new door at Byways was helping with the damp problem and VHMC are keeping an eye on the situation.

8.2 Coordination Group

Report from the meeting on the 22nd Jan 2024.

8.3 Pavilion Committee

- The annual service on the air source heat pump was approved at £176.
- There will be a trial Craft Club on Wednesday afternoons from 2 - 4 starting 7th Feb in the community room. First four sessions to be free, but then it has to be self-sufficient. These groups are trying to get the pavilion/community room to become known and to bring in more income. If Parish Councillors have any further ideas for groups/initiatives that will help in this endeavor, the pavilion group would welcome them.

- For HPC's information, this year is the fourth season for the Cricket Club, out of the ten free seasons agreed on the cricket pitch.

8.4 Memorial Gardens

- The planning application has been approved. Council to discuss the installation of the fence with Dave Griffiths of the Memorial Gardens.

8.5 Playground working party update.

- Heritage fund application has been submitted for funding.

8.6 Recreation ground

- Chris from Spa Athletic F.C came to PC meeting to discuss possibility of hiring the football pitch.

The Parish Council noted that they would be happy for them to play on Hanbury pitch if they maintained it themselves and paid a small annual sum. It would also have to be at times when the cricket club were not playing.

It was noted that the pitch in its present size was possibly not a full-size pitch but grants could be obtained to increase the length of the pitch if needed and the Parish Council approved the use of the pitch by Spa Athletic FC subject to contract.

Spa athletic FC to carry out the appropriate investigations and contact the Parish Council as necessary.

9. Finance Appendix B

9.1 Monies received to the Parish Council this month.

WCC PL reimbursement	£1202.25
Hanbury Show pavilion expenses	£238.67
Hanbury Show room hire pavilion	£112.5
Art Circle pavilion rental	£180

9.2 Payments requested and submitted to the Parish Council

Payments were approved as on the attached list.

9.3 Budget and precept setting 2024-5

The budget and precept as agreed in November results in a 2.2% increase for residents in 2024-5.

The Council noted the external audit report from 2022-23

10 Parish Lengthsman and parish maintenance issues.

10.1 Parish Maintenance.

- Pot-hole School Lane reported,
- Tyrells lane pot hole reported.

10.2 Parish Lengthsman scheme. There was nothing to report.

10.3 Oak at Courts Close

A branch fell on a car at the location above and the matter was with the Insurers of the Parish Council (Hiscox) Hiscox have settled the insurance claim and the Council need to pay the insurance excess of £250. It was agreed that the tree in question should be reduced in size by a third and in the future, any trees near to houses will be inspected on a more thorough basis.

The Council noted that they were happy that G Gartland continued performing the inspection of the trees annually and would instruct him to perform all the relevant tree work around the Parish as soon as possible.

It was also reported that the tree inspections are performed in September/October annually and Chris Cooke reports items of concern to the Clerk as and when they are noted as noted in the November 2023 minutes.

11 Highways and any Police matters:

- 11.1 To discuss any highways issues/accidents reported locally.
- An accident at the Vernon Arms was reported in December.

12 Parish Councillors' Reports and Items for Future Agenda

Councillors may use this opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas.
There was nothing further to report.

13 Date of next meeting

The Clerk to Hanbury Parish Council is C Shinner and can be contacted on clerk@hanburyparishcouncil.gov.uk or c/o Eggthorne Cottage, Loggerheads Lane, Hanbury. WR9 7EB 07961296369

Next meeting date – February 26th 2023

Abbreviations

ABCC – Astwood Bank Cricket Club
CC – Chris Cooke – Parish Lengthsman
Cty Cllr – County Councillor
Dst Cllr - District Councillor
HPC – Hanbury Parish Council
RG – Recreation ground
VHMC – Village Hall Management Committee
HPC Councillors

MAB – Mark Bishop, NC – Neil Cook, JE – John Evans, IF – Ian Few,
RT – Rosie Terry, RR - Roy Raxter, CS – Clare Stallard. AB - Ange Burnett.
CM Caroline Marock AM – County Councillor A Miller

Public question time

The public were there in particular for the planning application – W/23/02488/OUT

- Concerns were raised regarding the watercourse and flooding nature of the land in question.
- Various parishioners questioned the legality of the planning application due to the nature of the land in question. The Parish Council were unable to comment on this.

Appendix A

Actions from January 2024 minutes.

8.1.1 Village Hall windows It was noted that more quotes were needed for submission to the Council for the work and to ensure they were quoting for the same work. It was noted that the windows could be replaced or painted although the Council agreed that replacement would be the ideal long term solution for the windows in question.

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Appendix B

Invoices for payment January 24

Clare Stallard Items for pavilion	£7.58
Clerk Salary, tax and pension for December and January 2023	Confidential
Hanbury PCC Churchyard maintenance 23-24	£500
Eon Electricity Pavilion December 23	£386.17
Eon Electricity Pavilion November 23	£343.15
Microsoft yearly fee for office laptop	£59.99
EE Ltd Mobile phone monthly DD	£17.68
Clyde and Co, Insurance excess for the tree/car claim	£250
M A Ishaq IT support for 2024 for HPC	£250
Chris Cooke grit purchase	£192
Chris Cooke Lengthsman charge Nov 23	£399
Worcestershire CALC training for Cllr Johns	£36
Rebecca Barnett Pavilion 162/23 and 152/23	£40
Caroline Marock (Key for the pavilion)	£14 (paid in Nov)
Chris Cooke Litter picking Nov and Dec 24	£99
Chris Cooke PL Dec 2024	£426.30
Clare Stallard items for pavilion	£92.58