## **Hatley Parish Council**

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# Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Hatley Parish Council held on Tuesday, 28th September 2021

#### Closed session, 7.15 pm

In attendance: Cllr M Eagle (Chair), Cllr M Astor (Vice Chair), Cllr N Jenkins, Cllr H Nickerson, Clerk to the Council N Pearce.

- 1. To receive apologies for absence: Apologies from Cllr A Pinney.
- 2. Under Section 1 of the *Public Bodies (Admissions To Meetings) Act 1960* and in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, in the public interest, the press and public were excluded from the meeting whilst matters pertaining to items 3 and 4 were discussed.
- 3. To formally receive and accept the resignation of K Wilde as Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer: Resignation received and accepted
- 4. To resolve upon the recruitment of N Pearce as Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer: N Pearce was welcomed as Clerk and RFO.
- 5. To resolve upon employment terms for N Pearce and sign the employment contract: Agreed and signed
- 6. To sign the bank mandate forms to amend signatories: Agreed and signed but it was signed by Cllr N Jenkins not Cllr M Eagle. Clerk to contact the bank to advise prior to the sending the form.

### Extraordinary Meeting (Open Session) 7.30 pm

#### **Minutes**

- 1. To receive apologies for absence Apologies from Cllr A Pinney and S Kindersley.
- 2. Interests:
  - i. Declarations of interest: None.
  - ii. Dispensation applications: None.
- 3. Questions from the public: As no members of the public were present at this time, this item was deferred to give latecomers a chance to raise questions.
  - A member of the public joined the meeting at 7.35 pm.
  - Query raised regarding the footpath running across the field adjacent to the village hall
    which had not been reinstated since the field had been ploughed. Cllr Astor advised that
    the farm does have 14 days from ploughing to do this and this time had not elapsed. Cllr
    Nickerson agreed to discuss this with Banks' farm and remind them of their duty to
    reinstate the footpath.
  - Over the weekend there was a fire at the corner of Buff Wood. The straw had been
    flattened over the field and then it had caught fire. Cllr Astor explained that Defra is
    encouraging farmers to increase the organic and biological matter in their soil and
    spreading animal waste achieves this. The resident has reported this to Environmental
    health in Ely (the Environment Agency). It was agreed that at present the Parish Council
    would not do anything and monitor the situation.
  - The resident also reported that updated quotes are being obtained for the toilets project as the grant money expires next month. More information will be provided at the Parish Council meeting next month.

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#### 4. Planning:

- i. Planning application 21/03880/LBC Repair and replastering of Nave walls, repair reredos, Sanctuary step and east window surround, minor roof repairs to resolve intermittent leaks and localised treatment of timber decay to roof in St Denis' church, East Hatley, SG19 3JA: It was agreed that the documents provided were very comprehensive. A question was raised regarding the reredos and what repairs were entailed. By this point a member of the public had arrived and gave more information regarding the raising of funds for the work. There had been hope for grant money being received fairly soon but the application had not been successful. The Parish Council resolved to support the application.
- ii. Planning application **20/04377/FUL** Division of existing single dwelling into 2 No dwellings and the creation of separate entrances at The Manor House, 72 East Hatley, SG19 3JA: The application has now been withdrawn.
- 5. Consultation on the Oxford-Cambridge Arc: This was discussed and it was agreed that the Parish Council would encourage members of the parish to respond as individual residents and not collectively as a Parish Council. Details of the consultation, which closes on 12 October, are being added to the Hatley website.
- 6. Time and date of the next meeting: 7.30 pm on Tuesday 19th October 2021.
- 7. The meeting was closed at 19.57.