Hilderstone Parish Council Meeting

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## On Wednesday 26th October at 7.30pm

This meeting was held at Hilderstone Village Hall, Sandon Rd, Hilderstone, Stone ST15 8SF

**Attendance**:

Cllr J Davies (Chairman) Cllr A Stringer (Vice Chairman) Cllr P Davies Cllr R Clark Cllr M Shelley Cllr J Crump Nikola Evans – Clerk

Minutes

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| **Item No.** | **Agenda Item** |
| 1 | To consider accepting apologies for absence and any reasons to be recorded.   1. Cllr H Woodward – Holiday – Accepted 2. Cllr A Harp – Other commitments |
| 2 | To approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 29th September 2022  Approved as a true record by all that attended |
| 3 | To record declarations of interest from members in any item to be discussed  None advised |
| 4 | To adjourn the meeting to allow public participation  The chairman adjourned that meeting at 19.35pm |
| 5 | To receive an update from the local PCSO  None received |
| 6 | To receive an update from the Borough Councillor  None received |
| 7 | To receive an update from the County Councillor  None received |
| 8 | To close the meeting to the public and continue with parish council business  Chairman closed the meeting to the public and press at 19.40pm |
| 9 | To discuss planning applications received  None received |
| 10 | To review previously reported village issues on the clerk’s report.   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Item | Date | Action | | Severn Trent and Cotwalton Junction to B5066 ref: 4181743 & 4237100 - Missing bollards. 25.05.22 – still chasing | 18.12.20 | Monitor | | Hedge cutting – Farm Lea, letters have been sent to all the residents  25.05.22 – still chasing | 02.02.21 | Monitor | | Hedge cutting – 2 Farm Lea, pictures have been taken and sent to Stafford Rural Homes to investigate. – Chased with Stafford rural homes on 29.09.21 - no update yet. – clerk to chase – 29.10.21 – chased again – Clerk to forward information to Cllr J Davies to see if he may be able to push them as well. – Information has been passed to Cllr J Davies. – Cllr Davies has emailed. – 23.03.22 no further information has been received. Cllr J Davis will chase. – 27.04.22 – Cllr J Davies still chasing. 25.05.22 – still chasing – 22.06.22 – this issue has now been passed to Stafford Rural Homes Legal department to advise. – 20.07.22, advised by Homes Plus the footpath and hedge is outside the property boundary and therefore not the property owners’ responsibility. Clerk to report to Stafford County Council to trim back the hedges. 28.09.2022 Homes plus reported it’s not their responsibility, CC reported it’s not their responsibility. Next step to contact Accord Housing – Cllr PD will supply clerk with contact details. – 26.10.22, clerk received details and will contact Accord Housing | 02.02.21 | Monitor | | White lines – Cotwalton Junction to B5066 23.02.22 – Clerk to report again, reporting a serious RTA which took place during December 2021 caused by drivers not keeping to the right side of the road. Clerk to extend from Spotgate to Junction B5066. Reported  23.03.22 – No further information has been received 25.05.22 – still chasing – 28.09.2022 – still to be resolved | 21.07.21 | Monitor | | Hedges – Hill Farm house and The Old Byer. Letter sent to both properties requesting the hedge cut back to the original boundary.  23.03.22 – Report to highways, they are now obstructing the road. – 27.04.22 Clerk to send a letter advising the owners legal responsibility. 15.05.22 – The hedge has now been cut back to the original boundary – 25.05.22, location has now been established and the clerk will send a letter to the residents. | 22.09.21 | Monitor | | Severn Trent Gate  Still has not been replaced – Cllr Woodward will see if she can obtain a contact from her source – clerk to write a letter – Severn Trent have been advised. – No further information has been received. 25.05.22 job number for Seven Trent to repair the gateway, 2005645554 |  | Monitor | | Erosion of bank opposite church buildout  Clerk has reported to highways, believed due to wide vehicles using the road churning up the curb side. Children are having to walk in it, and it could potentially block the drains.  23.03.22 – No further information has been received. | 23.02.22 | Monitor | | Road sign by Roebuck, this has been reported ref number - 4281637 | 13.05.22 | Monitor | | 30mph road sign on Creswell Road by new SID’s – this has been reported, ref number - 4281636 | 13.05.22 | Monitor | | Footpath 14, report to SCC – ROW ref: 220730332 | 20.07.22 | Monitor | | Missing bollard – Road narrowing site by Roebuck Pub – ref 4288799 | 20.07.22 | Monitor | | Drain – Dingle Lane – original works reference 4288044 | 26.10.22 | Monitor | | Water spring, by buildout on Roebuck Bank. Concern has been raised, when temperature drops this will cause ice on the roads causing danger to vehicles. Needs reporting before anything happens. – ref 4298332 | 26.10.22 | Monitor | | Missing road sign, approaching Hilderstone crossroads from the village – ref 4291120 | 08.2022 | Monitor |   Cllr J Davies has asked for a list of items that need urgent attention; information will then be passed to Cllr I Parry for investigation – Clerk to action |
| 11 | To discuss any new traffic and highways issues.   * Water spring, by buildout on Roebuck Bank. Concern has been raised, when temperature drops this will cause ice on the roads causing danger to vehicles. Needs reporting before anything happens. |
| 12 | To discuss any new footpath and village Maintenance issues.   * Weeds in front of resident’s properties. Not the responsibility of the parish council, reminders have been given to residents. Monitor situation. * TGM – unreliable, clerk to issue complaint * Clerk to investigate employing a village maintenance caretaker and report back at the next meeting in November. |
| 13 | To note upcoming village Events   * Film Night – The secret life of Walter Mitty – * 11th November Mexican Night – 26th November * Christmas tree festival – 10th -11th December * Christmas Panto & Concert – 17th December |
| 14 | To approve monthly finance – RFO   1. To approve items for payment – approved      1. To receive and approve monthly budget summary – circulated and approved 2. To receive and approve monthly bank reconciliation – circulated and approved 3. To receive and discuss draft budget for 2023/24 – circulated and approved to request 2.5% increase in precept for 2023/24. |
| 15 | Councillor Information and items for the next Agenda.  Cllr J Davies reported on the following from the Stone area parish liaison group meeting:   * HS2 * Meecebrook Project – New Garden community near Yarnfield, Stone and Eccleshall. * Local plan review - consultation event – Clerk and Chairman will attend on 8.11.22 |
| 16 | To agree a date for the next meeting – 23rd November 2022 |
| 17 | Meeting Closed – The chairman closed the meeting at 20.41pm |