

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 9th JANUARY 2024, 6.30 P.M. AT
TATENHILL VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllrs B Huckerby (Chairman), M Jones (Vice Chairman), E Coleman,
H Golding, D Milner

In attendance: Mrs K Lear (Clerk)

Public participation – no members of the public were present

077/23-24 Apologies

Apologies were accepted from Borough Cllrs J Jones, B Ashcroft and
County Cllr J Jessel

078/23-24 Declaration of interest and dispensation requests from members.

Cllr Milner wished to declare an interest when the 9 dwellings Chapel Lane were
discussed.

Cllr Coleman wished it be minuted that she had not seen any of the financial
information and because of her professional status wished to abstain from all
financial discussions during the meeting.

She requested that she had access to the financial system.

Cllr Coleman nevertheless took part in the financial discussions relating to the
Budget 2024-25 and the precept submission.

Cllr Jones confirmed that he had requested financial information which the clerk
had supplied.

079/23-24 Minutes of the meeting for approval – 14th November 2023

Members were happy that the Chairman signed the minutes as a true and
accurate record.

080/23-24 Correspondence

a) Planning applications and matters

P/2023/01153 – Rangemore Playing Fields, Change of use of land from
recreation ground to car park and installation of new entrance gates – No
objection

P/2022/00705 – 9 dwellings Chapel Lane. Awaiting a response from ESBC.
Members requested that it be acknowledged that the Chair of the Full
Council, Cllr B Huckerby submitted a detailed objection for this application
and members were very grateful.

The following planning application was permitted

P/2023/01155 – St Georges Park, Hilton, Newborough. Demolition of existing
buildings to facilitate the erection of 1 no. commercial building for use as
storage, office and maintenance facility for the display and storage of
maintenance supplies, and plant, including outside display and storage,
access and servicing arrangements, car parking, lighting and landscaping and
associated works

The following planning application has been refused.

P/2023/01137 – 1 Lockley Cottage, Scotch Hills, Hoar Cross – refused.
Members asked the clerk to establish why the application was refused.

**b) Correspondence from local resident in relation to fly tipping, highway
concerns**

Members acknowledged the points raised. Clerk to advise resident that these matters would need to be raised with both ESBC and SCC.

081/23-24 Third party reports

None submitted.

082/23-24 Finance and Policy Matters

a) Payments

Payee	Amount gross	Explanation	EP/GPC
Payroll	1027.31	Payroll 28.1.24, includes 1 week unpaid leave and partial back pay following increase 1.4.2023 which the staffing committee had approved.	EP/GPC
All Saints Primary School	30.00	Room hire Nov 2023	EP/GPC
Scribe	417.60	Scribe accounts	EP/GPC

Payments were approved, Cllrs D Milner and M Jones to release payments.

Bank reconciliation 30th December 2023 = £63285.31

b) Contractors for ground works 2024

Members wished to defer this item until the February meeting.

c) Quarterly budget review

Clerk advised that there will be an overspend in Staffing. Vire from training budget was agreed.

d) Budget 2024-25

Members felt that the budgets were insufficient for 2024-25 projects and staffing and felt they needed to be increased. Ear marked reserves were for long standing projects and for business continuity. Members felt that the precept needed to be increased for the next financial year.

e) Precept submission to the billing authority

There was a proposal to increase the precept to £35K.

There was a counter proposal to increase the precept to £37.5K.

It was resolved that the precept submission to the billing authority would be £37,500.00.

Council authorised the Clerk to submit the precept submission for 2024-25 to the billing authority in the sum of £37.5K.

f) Adoption of policies

Policies not discussed – item deferred.

083/23-24 Chairmans Report

The chairman felt 2023 had been a successful Year in terms of Community Interaction between the Parish Council and Parish Councillors and wider community. The chairman wished to thank Cllrs M Jones, H Golding for their hard work in making the Christmas event successful.

He wished it to be noted that the Oak and Fruit tree Planting at Rangemore Community Gardens had been a very successful event with many parishioners taking part in both the Planting and the 30th Anniversary of the Burton Conservation Volunteer Group, whom guided and helped with the Planting and Wassailing.

The Beer and Carols event at St Michaels Church, Tatenhill, led by Rev Andy Simpson had he understood had been well attended as had the Annual FORC Father Christmas Tractor and Trailer Drive through Tatenhill Common, Rangemore Hall and Grounds, Wilmore Lane and ending up with Carols and Mince Pies at Rangemore Church. He also wished to thank the Speed Watch team for their work. He also thanked the clerk for her work.

084/23-34 Clerks report

Deterioration of footpath, Princes Wood following flooding – clerk has reported this to SCC and also Aggregate Industries.

Byrkley Park Junction Accident – Clerk was asked to report again to SCC that the road markings had faded and needed remarking.

White fencing, junction of Main Street/Dunstall Road – Clerk was asked to establish who was responsible for the fencing.

Flooding – this was discussed in detail. The Chairman requested that Aggregate Industries possible support be discussed at the next liaison meeting. SCC Callingwood Lane works were noted.

Litter picking schedule, Branston Road. – A member asked if the clerk could establish with ESBC the schedule for Branston Road litter picking.

Finger on finger post – junction of Main Street – A member asked the clerk if she could appoint a contractor to realign a finger on the finger post at the junction of Main Street.

Princes Wood – volunteer sessions were noted.

Signed:

Date:

