



**Haigh**  
PARISH COUNCIL

**An Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council  
WILL BE HELD VIRTUALLY ON  
MONDAY 18 JANUARY 2021 at 6:30pm**

**Agenda**

**258 Apologies for Absence**

- to receive apologies from councillors.

**259 Declaration of Interests**

- to receive any declarations of interest (prejudicial or otherwise) with regard to items on the Agenda.

Unless already entered in the Council's Register of Members' interests, members are required to disclose any personal interest, (which includes any disclosable pecuniary interest), they may have in any of the items included on the agenda for the meeting in accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the Council. Members are reminded that if they have any personal interests of a prejudicial nature or a disclosable pecuniary interest they must not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must leave the room. Any member needing clarification must contact the Clerk.

**260 Casual Vacancy – *for agreement* (enclosed)**

As required by law, the Elections Officer at Wigan Council was notified of former Cllr Colin Higham's resignation after the meeting in December. The casual vacancy was advertised immediately, again as required by law. We have now been informed by the Elections Officer that there had been no requests from residents for an election by the deadline of 30 December 2020. In view of this the Council may now co-opt a new member. Enclosed is the Casual Vacancies Procedure and the standard advertisement that we have used in the past. Members are invited to agree the best way forward.

**261 Matters Introduced by Members of the Public**

– *for information*

An opportunity for any members of the public present to raise issues for the attention of members.

## 262 Minutes of the Meeting (7 December 2020)

– *for approval* (enclosed)

To receive and approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 7 December 2020 for signature by the Chairman.

## 263 Matters Arising – *for information only*

An opportunity for members of the Council to report or update on any matters that have arisen since the meeting in December.

### Actions from the Meeting of 7 December 2020

No.	ISSUE	ACTION	BY WHOM	COMPLETED
240	Parish Councillor Resignation	Inform Elections Officer and Democratic Services	The Clerk	08.12.20 (Agenda item)
241	Widening of Wingates Road	Research reasons for widening by contacting 1. IHL 2. Highways 3. FOI	The Clerk	In progress (See Clerk's Report)
244	Rothwell Stud	Research the planning conditions, etc & report back in January	Cllr R Lawson	Agenda item (Planning applications)
245	Littering in Hall Lane	Identify the location of new bin & inform Clerk Write to LA to request that a bin be installed	Cllr R Lawson The Clerk	02.01.21 13.01.21
247	PROWs	Appeal on Facebook for information about footpaths & PROWs	The Clerk	09.12.20 (Agenda item)
248	Planning for Events in 2021	Write to Keith Bergman re uncertainty of May – Council wish to keep both dates, but would review in January	The Clerk	09.12.20 (Agenda item)
249	Parish Newsletter	Update & re-circulate  Arrange printing  Publish on Facebook Distribute	Cllr R Lawson Cllr C Hatherall The Clerk Councillors	December 2020 & January 2021 (Agenda item)
251	Dates of Future Meetings with Wigan Council Officers	Let Democratic Services know that dates have been approved	The Clerk	09.12.20
252	Rural Voucher Scheme to Improve Broadband	Put information on Facebook	The Clerk	09.12.20
253	Cheques & other documents for signature	Cheques & other documents signed & posted	Cllrs R Lawson, R Darbyshire & the Clerk	December 2020

Members are invited to update the Council on progress with the above actions, if the matter is not otherwise included on the agenda.

Progress with actions assigned to the Clerk is either included in the narrative relating to other agenda items or in the Clerk's Report.

## 264 Planning Applications – *for consideration & agreement*

A/20/904855/FULL	Red Rock Lodge, Red Rock Lane, Haigh	Conversion and extension of garage to create annexe and associated change of use of small C3b care home to small C2 care home including elevational changes
A/20/90298/CON	Silverwood, Sennicar Lane, Haigh	Condition discharge application to discharge condition 4 of A/20/88822/HH

Members are invited to consider the applications and agree the best way forward.

Rothwell Stud (enclosed)

Cllr R Lawson has researched the planning conditions, etc associated with the planning consent given in 2017. Enclosed are a discussion paper, the decision notice, information on the definition of commencement and a video still of the property. Members are invited to consider the matter and agree the best way forward. Cllr R Lawson will lead on this.

**265 Traffic & Parking in Hall Lane – *for discussion and agreement***

Members are invited to discuss issues in relation to this and agree the best way forward.

Cllr R Lawson will lead on this.

**266 PROWs - *for discussion and agreement***

Members are invited to discuss progress so far and agree the best way forward. Cllr I Parker will lead on this.

The appeal on Facebook for information has so far not generated any responses either through Facebook or by email to the Clerk. It has recently been shared with relevant local groups, such as Standish Then and Now, with which we have a Facebook link.

**267 Planning for Events 2021 – *for discussion and agreement***

As agreed in December, Keith Bergman of Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles has been advised that the event planned for May possibly will not go ahead. He is happy to keep both dates booked provisionally for the time being and appreciates that, because of the ever-changing scenario in relation to Covid, it is difficult to make firm decisions.

Members are invited to discuss plans in greater detail.

**268 Parish Newsletter – *to receive feedback***

Members are invited to provide, receive and consider feedback in relation to the newsletter, which was delivered to all homes in the Parish in December and early January. The direct mailing lists currently consists of four recipients by email and two in hard

copy. The newsletter has been pinned to the Facebook page. It has so far reached 37 people and had 11 engagements and received one 'like'.

There have been two requests for further information about the grants for hedgerow planting – one via email directly to the Clerk and one via Facebook.

**269 Meeting with Wigan Council Officers – for agreement**

The next meeting has been scheduled for 22 February 2021 at 4pm via MS Teams.

Members are invited to agree items for discussion with Wigan Council.

**270 Accounts 2020/21 – for approval**

Income: **£nil**

Expenditure:

No	PAYEE	NARRATIVE	NET	VAT	PAYMENT
18	Employee No.1	Salary (Dec & Jan)-net	£332.80	N/A	£332.80
19	HMRC	Tax (Dec & Jan)	£ 84.43	N/A	£ 84.43
20	Tbc	Printing of newsletter	£tbc	N/A	£tbc
	<b>Total:</b>		<b>£417.23+</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>£417.23+</b>

Balance at bank on 31 December 2020 = **£5,298.42**

The following prior payments had not been presented as at 31 December 2020

HMRC = £41.60  
**TOTAL = £41.60**

Estimated Balance at bank after the above expenditure and unrepresented payment = **£4,839.59**

**271 Budget 2021/22 Preparation**

– for discussion and approval (enclosed)

Members are invited to approve the budget and precept for 2021/22

**272 Text for Council Tax Letter – for agreement**

Last year the following statement was included on the letter that is circulated by Wigan Council to council tax payers:

'For 2020/21 we have approved an increase in the precept from £2,000 to £2,400 to cover some more of the increased costs over recent years in running Haigh Parish Council. This equates to an average increase of less than £1.40 across all properties.'

Members are invited to agree a statement for this year's letter.

**273 Clerk's Report – for information (enclosed)**

**274 Date of Next Meeting: 15 March 2021 at 6:30pm**

Please let the Clerk know if you intend to join the meeting by emailing **clerk.haighpc@gmail.com** by **Saturday, 16 January** so that you can be sent an invitation, thank you

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