

**Goodworth Clatford Parish Council**  
**Council Meeting Minutes 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

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**Date of Meeting:** Tuesday 4th January 2022

**Location:** Online

**Present:**

<b>Councillors</b>	<b>Clerk</b>	<b>TVBC + County Councillors</b>	<b>Others</b>
Will Walker (Chairman) Natalie Chambers Paul Boissier Louis Sellers Robin Welland Alan Willens Ian Platt David Macklin	Eveline Attwood	Cllr Mrs Flood Cllr Drew Cllr Coole	One member of the public

**2201 Apologies for Absence**

Cllr Cross & Cllr Ward

**2202 Public Participation**

An e-mail was read by the clerk which was received from a member of the public about footpath no 4 which was agreed to be slippery. Cllr Drew has reported this to the Countryside Ranger at HCC. Cllr Walker is currently pursuing quotes for the footpath repair at Church Lane end.

Cllr Willens reported that members of the public had approached him about making the stile more accessible to parishioner with an extra step Cllr Drew will contact the countryside dept at HCC.

**2203 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**2204 Chairman's Remarks** - The chairman wished everyone a happy new year.

**2205 To Approve the Minutes of the Council Meeting 2nd November 2021 & 20th December 2021.** - Minutes of the Council Meetings held on the 2nd November 2021 & 20th December 2021 have been circulated to all members prior to the meeting. The Chairman asked if all members were in agreement with the minutes and all agreed they could be signed.

**Resolved: That the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021 and 20<sup>th</sup> December 2021 be confirmed and signed as a true record of the meeting.**

**2206 Matters Arising**

**2206.1 Church Lane** - The Clerk reported that the white lines will be repainted in the new financial year of HCC's budget 22/23.

**2206.2 Light in phone box** - This has been reported as fixed.

**2206.3 Response from SWA concerning sewage** - The letter from SWA has been circulated prior to the meeting. SWA have stated they are working within legislation. The clerk will forward a copy as requested to a member of the public.

**2206.4 Parking Church Lane update** - Cllrs Walker & Chambers have agreed to review at a later date.

**2207 Co-option of new Parish Councillor** - The Chairman was pleased to welcome Mr David Macklin, who was requesting to be co-opted onto the Council. The Clerk confirmed that Mr Macklin met the criteria for membership of the Parish Council. The Chairman asked members if they were in favour of appointing Mr Macklin as a member and this was carried unanimously.

**Resolved:**

**That Mr David Macklin be co-opted as a member of the Goodworth Clatford Parish Council.**

**Declaration of Acceptance of Office – Co-opted Member**

Cllr Macklin was asked to sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office form and the Registration of Members' Pecuniary Interests form provided by the Clerk. Cllr Macklin has signed both forms and these would be conveyed to the Monitoring Officer at TVBC by the Clerk.

**Resolved:**

**That the Clerk be instructed to convey the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and the Registration of Members' Pecuniary Interests forms for Cllr Macklin to the Monitoring Officer at TVBC.**

**2208 County Councillor & Borough Councillor reports**

**2208.1 Hampshire County Council report - Cllr Drew reported on the following further details can be found in appendix A**

- Apply now for grants to run February half term holiday activity and food programme across Hampshire in February 2022.
- Hampshire Trading Standards issues checklist to spot unsafe toys.
- Staying safe and well – top tips to support the elderly and vulnerable.
- New free weight loss programme aims to help Hampshire shape up for life.

**2208.2 Borough Councillor Reports - Cllr Flood reported on following;**

- TVBC's the new e mail notification system.
- The vaccination centre is open for walk ins.

**2208.3 Borough Councillor - Cllr Coole reported on the following;**

- TVBC looking to increase their part of the precept by £5 a year.
- Consultation phase will be held so suggestions can be given about how land just of Bury Hill Close will be developed.

**2209 Planning**

**2209.1** Additional Planning Committee member required

The Chairman said he will discuss with Cllr Macklin the responsibilities attached to joining the planning committee.

**2209.2** Planning applications - None

**2209.3** Report on current potential planning violations - No updates

**2209.4** Results of previous applications including tree applications - TVBC have reported that 16 the Crescent is should be refused due to Highways concerns.

**2210. Finance**

**2210.1 To approve Statement of Accounts to 30th Nov 2021:** The Clerk had circulated a Financial Statements pack to all members prior to the meeting. There were no comments and the financial statements were accepted.

**Resolved:**

**That the Financial Statements to 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021 be approved and are to be signed by the Chairman**

**2210.2** Payments for Approval - The following accounts were presented for approval: -

**October Payments**

<b>Eveline Attwood Octobers Pay</b>	<b>Clerk's Fee</b>	<b>483.97</b>
<b>HMR&amp;C</b>	<b>Clerk's Tax</b>	<b>108.40</b>
<b>SSE</b>	<b>Village Clock</b>	<b>6.55</b>
<b>Guy Kitchen</b>	<b>Grass cutting/Bins</b>	<b>425.00</b>
<b>Village Club Hire</b>	<b>Rental of hall meetings</b>	<b>21.00</b>
<b>Andover Rubber Stamp</b>	<b>Signs Sheep Wash</b>	<b>482.40</b>
<b>Landford Trees</b>	<b>Populus tree (replace dead tree)</b>	<b>34.80</b>
<b>Clatfords Shop Association</b>	<b>S137 Grant</b>	<b>440.00</b>
<b>Total payments November</b>		<b>2,002.12</b>

<b>Eveline Attwood (November Pay)</b>	<b>Clerk's Fee</b>	<b>471.68</b>
<b>SSE</b>	<b>Village Clock</b>	<b>6.55</b>
<b>HMR&amp;C</b>	<b>Clerk's Tax</b>	<b>108.40</b>
<b>SSE</b>	<b>Village Clock</b>	<b>6.55</b>
<b>Bulpitt Print</b>	<b>Newsletter and EPQ</b>	<b>213.60</b>
<b>Village Club Hire</b>	<b>Parish Council meetings</b>	<b>31.25</b>
<b>Vesper Cons &amp; Ecology Ltd</b>	<b>Sheepwash river bank repairs</b>	<b>6,755.72</b>
<b>Clatfords Shop Association</b>	<b>S137 Grant</b>	<b>440.00</b>

<b>*Westfield Fastners paid by Clerk E Attwood refund required in January</b>	<b>Clips for SID</b>	<b>18.41</b>
<b>*Zoom account paid by Clerk E Attwood refund required in January</b>	<b>Online meetings during covid</b>	<b>143.88</b>
<b>*Weebly Inc paid by Di Swaddling refund required in January</b>	<b>Website</b>	<b>15.70</b>
<b>Total Payments December</b>		<b>8,211.74</b>

*The banks are currently in the process of changing signatories, therefore some payments will require refunding to the appropriate person as stated \* above in January as they have paid the invoice in the interim.*

**Balance as at 30th November 2021**

	<b>43605.1</b>
<b>HSBC Account</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Nat West Account</b>	<b>3701.82</b>

**2210.3** Disposal of assets - one filing cabinet/ one photocopier previous clerk/ one mower and one strimmer.

**Resolved:**

**That the Clerk remove one filing cabinet, one photocopier, one strimmer and one mower from the fixed asset register.**

**2210.4 Approval of short term investment for Skipton funds** - This will be held over until the next meeting.

**2210.5 Discussion and review of current investment plan** - Cllr Walker explained the Skipton funds were currently sitting in the HSBC account awaiting the approval of the formal strategy of investment. Cllr Platt explained the Local Government act which requires funds to be prioritise security liquidity and yield in that order of importance. Cllr Platt explained that one investment is in joint names and we are currently awaiting a power of attorney for the transfer of balance of accounts back to a reasonable balance. It was discussed whether professional advice should be sought but it was felt this could incur costs that would diminish the yield. Cllr Macklin suggested a longer term forecast for the next 10 years may be beneficial and should be considered.

**2210.6 Approval of Financial Regulations 2022** - Cllrs unanimously approved the Financial Regulations which were circulated prior to the meeting.

**Resolved:**

**That the Financial Regulations copy dated 2022 is approved**

**2210.7 Approval of Standing Orders 2022** - Cllrs unanimously approved the Standing Orders 2022 which were circulated prior to the meeting.

**Resolved:**

**That the Standing Orders copy dated 2022 is approved**

**2210.8 Approval of Clatford Village Shop monthly payment becoming a standing order.** Cllrs approved that this monthly payment can become a standing order.

**Resolved:**

**That the Clerk can set up a monthly standing order to pay the Village Shop Grant under section 137.**

## **2211 Environment**

**2211.1 Allotments & shed** – Cllr Welland reported that the hedges need trimming back. Cllr Walker advised that the Estate Management group had an agricultural contractor who could undertake the task.

**2211.2 Date to dispose of rubbish in shed** - Cllr Sellers will contact the clerk to arrange access to clear out the rubbish from the shed.

**2211.3 Recreation Ground** - Cllrs approved placing one of the red bins up on the recreation ground to replace the burnt out one.

**2211.4 Pavilion rental & repairs** - It was reported that repairs are an ongoing subject for discussion.

**2211.5 Sheep Wash** - It was reported that the memorial benches need treating. Cllr Walker said he would discuss this with the estate management group.

**2211.6 The Park** – Cllr Walker reported that the Christmas raffle made £1010 which included some generous donations by local businesses for prizes.

**2211.7 Riverside & Park maintenance** - Cllr Walker reported on behalf Estate Management Group that the Beavers had assisted with the tree planting. Cricket bat willows will be planted before the end of March.

**2211.8 Replacement noticeboard** - Cllr Walker reported that a new noticeboard should be in place by March.

**2211.9 Emergency resilience plan** - As Cllr Ward was unexpectedly absent no feedback was available yet.

## **2212 Footpaths and Highways**

**2212.1 Soak away along Barrow Hill** - It was reported that Hampshire Highways and TVBC have both declined to clean out the three soakaways. Cllr Flood is currently pursuing with TVBC. The Clerk will pursue with Hampshire Highways.

**2212.2 Emergency Closure of Village Street Upper Clatford** - The Clerk reported that this route may be closed from the 10<sup>th</sup> January for two days. Goodworth Clatford school will be informed by Hampshire Highways.

## **2213. Communications**

**2213.1 & 2 Social Media & Website** - It was reported that this was under review and that information was circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr Sellers reported that a website and Facebook would link together feeding out information to residents in the community. Cllr Sellers will initiate reviewing the website to make it more user friendly.

**2213.3 Future of the newsletter** - Cllrs discussed continuing preparing and posting out a hard copy of the newsletter. Councillors were in favour of continuing with the newsletter and suggested it should be prepared for delivery earlier in the year. Councillors also agreed community and charity inserts should be allowed.

## **2214. Correspondence**

**2214.1 Support 20 plenty campaign** - Cllrs discussed the 20 plenty scheme. It was suggested that the area Village Street North from where the pavement crosses sides at "The Yews"

Church Lane from the entrance to Newlands

Village Street South from the bottom of St Annes Close or possibly the Garage.

Barrow Hill from where the road narrows at the top of the Recreation Ground may be a possible part area for 20 plenty as opposed to the whole village in its entirety. The clerk will complete the response.

**Resolved: The Council will support the scheme and the clerk will advise HCC.**

**2214.2 E-mail from Parishioner asking for 2022, the Golden Jubilee direction sign to be cleaned before February** - Cllr Walker will view.

**2215 Date of Next Meeting** - The next full meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2021 at 7pm. There being no further business the Chairman thanked members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 20.55pm

## **Appendix A**

### **Update from Hampshire County Council – December 2021**

#### **Apply now for grants to run February half term holiday activity and food programmes across Hampshire in February 2022**

Community and voluntary organisations that can support struggling families by providing healthy food and activities for children and young people outside of school times, are invited to apply for funding to deliver holiday activity and food schemes, during February 2022's half term.

Hampshire's connect4communities programme is using Department for Work and Pensions Household Support funding to provide activities and food, for school age children and young people over the spring half term. The grant is in addition to previous funding from the Department for Education which has fed and entertained those children who are eligible for free school meals during the Easter, Summer, and Christmas holidays in 2021. Across Hampshire, there are over 29,000 children and young people who are eligible for free school meals who can take part in fun and healthy activities, local to them and held within a safe, warm environment.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20211230haffeb>

### **Hampshire Trading Standards issues checklist to spot unsafe toys**

Hampshire County Council's Trading Standards Service is reminding parents and carers to follow a toy safety checklist to help children to stay safe this Christmas.

"Hampshire County Council's Trading Standards team works closely with our Scientific Service unit to regularly assess whether consumer items meet legal safety standards. The most common 'fails' include copycat toys that mimic popular brand-name products, or items that could be a choking or strangulation threat to a small child. This includes flat or button batteries and strong magnets, which if swallowed can be fatal."

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20212312xmastoyscheck>

### **Staying safe and well – top tips to support the elderly and vulnerable**

Hampshire County Council is asking anyone supporting an older or vulnerable person – be they family, friend or someone in their community - to ensure they are well prepared for the festive season, by taking a few simple steps to help keep them safe and well.

"Being prepared during the cold season is especially important for the elderly and vulnerable and is even more so this Christmas with the increase in COVID cases and concerns over the prevalence of the Omicron variant. Knowing what support is available in advance can make all the difference if you need to step in to support someone."

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20211221HelpVulnAdultsPrepWtr>

### **New free weight loss programme aims to help Hampshire shape up for life**

A new 12-week weight management programme has been funded by Hampshire County Council for residents who want to achieve a healthier weight.

Offering free professional support either in-person, through regular online meetings or via a mobile app, Shapeup4life Hampshire is available to anyone with a body mass index (BMI) of 30 or above\* and combines exercise and food choices to make positive lifestyle changes rather than a prescriptive diet. The new service forms a key part of the Hampshire Healthy Weight Strategy 2022 to 2026, which aims to change current trends in the prevalence of excess weight and obesity. The strategy was endorsed by the County Council's Health and Wellbeing Board on Thursday, 9 December.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20211210-weight-plan>

Cllr David Drew

Test Valley Central Division, HCC