

Heath Hayes & Wimblebury Parish Council

Meeting of the Parish Council To be held on Wednesday 13th September 2023 Commencing at 7pm At Hayes Green Community Centre

Present: Cllrs S Thompson (Chair), E Aston, J Aston, A Fitzgerald, P Haden, P Hewitt, J Preece, P Theodorou & L Wilson.

In Attendance:

Parish Clerk: Mrs L Bowman

Members of Public: 1

09/23/66.0 Apologies

Apologies received from Cllr M Buttery, P Jones & H Rushton.

09/23/67.0 To Approve the Minutes of the meetings held on the 5th July 2023

The minutes of the meeting held on the 5th July 2023 were approved as a true record.

Proposed: Cllr L Wilson

Seconded: Cllr P Hewitt

09/23/68.0 Declarations of Interest Personal and Pecuniary

Cllr J Aston, A Fitzgerald and L Wilson - Planning

09/23/69.0 Public Participation

None.

09/23/70.0 Chair's Announcements & County Council's update

The Chair welcomed Cllr John Preece and advised Council of the resignation of Cllr V Davies, the District Council had been notified and notice displayed accordingly. The Chair passed on the Parish Council's condolences to the Wood family for the loss of former Councillor Craig Woods. Council held a minute's silence.

County Councillor Hewitt informed Council of the proposed traffic regulation order (TRO) regarding Badgers Way. The scheme had been implemented for reasons regarding safety concerns about the visibility from the junction. The proposed TRO is the implementation of a set of Double Yellow Lines.

A number of complaints had been logged regarding speeding cars along the A460, residents had been advised to continue reporting the incidents. Meetings with the County Council, Highways and the Police had been held. The injunction would be renewed shortly. Highways would be completing a weed spray in the Parish next month. The problems regarding the grass cutting of the traffic island at falcon point should be resolved soon. There had been reports of E-bikes riding through Boston Close, residents had been encouraged to report to the Police.

09/23/71.0 Clerks Report

Council noted clerks report & correspondence.

- Heath Hayes & Wimblebury Parish Council had an uncontested election in the Wimblebury Ward, resulting in Cllr J Preece being duly elected.
- Finally, the new Notice Board at the library had been installed.
- Vandalism on both Flag Poles, the community centre metal pole had been broken into two and the Wimblebury Rope had been cut in two places.
- Cllr Thompson had completed both parts of the Explore Chairmanship Course.
- Cllr E Aston had booked onto the Be a Better Councillor course in November.
- Cllr H Rushton had booked onto the Councillor Fundamentals course in September and the Understanding Planning course in October.
- The Clerk had attended a meeting at Cannock Chase District Council regarding the Prosperity Fund.

09/23/72.0 Police Report

Council noted the Police Report.

01st June – 30th June 2023

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| 05/06/2023 | - Turquoise Drive | - Nuisance motorbike revving early in the morning. |
| 08/06/2023 | - Gorsemoor Road | - Complaint of smell of cannabis. |
| 08/06/2023 | - Gorsemoor Road/ Brooklyn Road | - Complaint of smell of cannabis. |
| 16/06/2023 | - Burdock Close | - Youths causing issues at factory. |

Suspicious Incident

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| 14/06/2023 | - Grouse Way | - Male seen on garage roof. |
| 30/06/2023 | - Brooklyn Road | - Male wearing balaclava seen outside property. |

Theft Shoplifting

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| 17/06/2023 | - Tesco Heath way | - Theft of clothes. |
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Vehicle Crime

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| 01/06/2023 | - Gladstone Road | - Theft from vehicle. |
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01st July – 31st July 2023

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| 01/07/2023 | - Capercaillie Drive | - Youths throwing bottles at windows. |
| 02/07/2023 | - Nightjar Way | - Youths using private drive as cut through. |
| 05/07/2023 | - Nightjar Way | - Youths intimidating residents. |
| 15/07/2023 | - Bank Street | - Youths causing issues in the street. |
| 20/07/2023 | - Nuthatch Close | - Resident blocking driveway. |
| 24/07/2023 | - Barn Way | - Neighbour dispute. |
| 26/07/2023 | - Hayes Memorial Park | - Off Road bikes. |

Suspicious Incident

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| 14/07/2023 | - Hobby Way | - Male seen on driveway looking around property. |
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Public Order

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| 22/07/2023 | - Hednesford Road | - Member of the public being aggressive to delivery driver. |
| 02/07/2023 | - Newhall farm Inn | - Phone taken. |

Vehicle Crime

- 05/07/2023 - Deavall Way - Tyres damaged.
- 05/07/2023 - Tesco Heath Way - Van stolen from carpark.
- 10/07/2023 - Wimblebury Road - Car stolen.
- 17/07/2023 - Point South Park Plaza - Van stolen.
- 25/07/2023 - Hednesford Road - Car damaged on carpark.

Transport Related

- 02/07/2023 - Pheasant Way/Lichfield Road - Cars racing/cruising.
- 07/07/2023 - Heath way. - Abandoned vehicle.
- 24/07/2023 - Hayes Way - Cars Cruising.

1 August – 31 August 2023

ASB

- 14/08/2023 - Gladstone Way - Neighbour dispute.
 - 13/08/2023 - Hednesford Road - Egg thrown at pedestrian from moving van.
 - 13/08/2023 - John Street - Egg thrown at dog whilst being walked.
- Both of these incidents linked to the same vehicle. ASB warning letter issued to driver.
- 09/08/2023 - Nuthatch Close - Balls being thrown at house.
 - 07/08/2023 - Vivaldi Drive - Off road motorbike on footpath.
 - 05/08/2023 - Meadow Way - Youths throwing lighters at house.

Suspicious incident

- 22/08/2023 - Hickory Court - Males knocking on doors.
- 15/08/2023 - Wimblebury Road - Male seen wearing a balaclava, area search had been negative.
- 11/08/2023 - Gladstone Road - Male seen in a back garden.
- 11/08/2023 - Five Ways Island - Male dealt with by Ambulance.

Theft

- 17/08/2023 - Heath Hays Library - Theft of mobility scooter.
- 16/08/2023 - Heath Hayes Park - Theft of trailer and road roller.

Transport Related Issues

- 28/08/2023 - Langholm Drive - Complaint of cars with noisy exhaust.
- 26/08/2023 - Pheasant Way - Youths racing around on a moped.
- 04/08/2023 - Gorsemoor Road - Youths racing around on a motorbike.

Vehicle crime

- 08/08/2023 - Newhall Farm Inn - Vehicle broken into.

Anything of note;

The Police were aware of the damage to the play park off Gorsemoor Road. and would continue to patrol the area in the evenings.

09/23/73.0 Income & Payments

Council noted the payments since the last report that had been authorised by the audit and governance committee and monthly finance report.

Date	Payee	TOTAL
30/06/2023	Unity Bank	£18.00
03/07/2023	Lloyds Bank Plc	£209.00

17/07/2023	EE	£36.00
20/07/2023	Norton Canes Parish Council	-£1,038.36
21/07/2023	npower	£979.26
21/07/2023	Administration Expense	£3,172.34
21/07/2023	npower	£42.88
21/07/2023	Kiwa Limited	£1,566.00
21/07/2023	P F Cusack (Tool Supplies) Ltd	£191.52
21/07/2023	Community First Responders	£589.85
24/07/2023	Hednesford Town Council	-£273.92
31/07/2023	Lloyds Bank Charge Card	£32.98
15/08/2023	EE	£36.00
21/08/2023	Hayes Green Community Centre	£7,700.00
21/08/2023	npower	£44.31
21/08/2023	Staffordshire Parish Council Association	£126.00
21/08/2023	Mazars Ltd	£504.00
21/08/2023	Cannock Chase District Council	£5,696.53
22/08/2023	Administration Expense	£3,204.00
31/08/2023	Lloyds Bank Charge Card	£149.00
		£22,985.39

09/23/73.1 Council noted the bank reconciliation.

Reserves Brought Forward 1 st April 2023	£93,614.46
Income	£58,394.22
Payments	£57,998.00
Balance as per bank statement: 31 st August 2023	£94,010.68

09/23/74.0 Notice of Completion of Audit of the Accounts for the Year ended 31 March 2023

Council noted the Auditors comments.

09/23/74.1 Audited Annual Governance & Accountability Return 2022/23

Council noted Section 3- External auditors report and certificate.

09/23/74.2 Council noted Mazars completion letter.

09/23/74.3 Council noted the notice of conclusion of the audit.

09/23/75.0 Planning Committee

09/23/75.1 Council noted the planning decisions received from Cannock Chase District Council.

Application Number	Date	Location	Description	Comments
SCC/22/0104/FULL-ES 11/22/122.0 GRANTED 08/08/2023	14/09/2022	Poplars landfill site Anaerobic Digestion Facility WS11 8NQ	Application to vary conditions 1 (approved plans), 4 (cessation date), 5 (site clearance), 6 (expiry of permission), 30 (storage and management of digestate material) and 32 (surface water drainage) of planning permission CH.13/09/721 MW	No objection.

CH/23/0137 GRANTED 24/08/2023	23/06/2023	Land at Farm Garage Petrol Station Hednesford Road WS12 3TN	Proposed new food convenience store with associated access and parking - use classification E. Resubmission of CH/22/0322 - AMENDED PLANS/ADDITIONAL INFO RECEIVED	Object, concern over traffic opposite a school with no safe crossing.
CH/23/0235 GRANTED 28/07/2023	12/06/2023	58 Lyndhurst Road WS12 3HD	Conversion of existing residential garage to residential annex	No objection.
CH/23/0253 GRANTED 14/08/2023	27/06/2023	2 Attlee Grove WS11 7GT	REAR SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION AND GARAGE CONVERSION	No objection.
CH/23/0257 GRANTED 15/08/2023	10/07/2023	10 Salisbury Drive WS12 3YP	Ground floor extension with new roof to existing detached garage to create a residential annex	No Objection.

09/23/75.2 Council noted the planning applications authorised by the planning committee.

CH/23/0137 AMENDED PLANS	23/06/2023	Land at Farm Garage Petrol Station Hednesford Road WS12 3TN	Proposed new food convenience store with associated access and parking - use classification E. Resubmission of CH/22/0322 - AMENDED PLANS/ADDITIONAL INFO RECEIVED	Object, concern over traffic opposite a school with no safe crossing.
CH/23/0168	17/08/2023	205 Wimblebury Road WS12 2EP	Proposed conversion of existing property to create 4 apartments for residents with complex care needs - AMENDED TRANSPORT NOTE	No Objection Adequate parking needed as road was very busy.
CH/23/0251	26/06/2023	28 Chapel Street WS12 3HE	Outline application - Erection of a pair of two bedroom bungalows (access and layout only)	Objects over development of an area. Infrastructure was already overcrowded.
CH/23/0271	14/08/2023	16 Pheasant Way WS11 7LB	Single storey side/rear wraparound extension.	No Objection but would be concerned over parking spaces
CH/23/0275	15/08/2023	Unit 2 Hemlock Retail Park WS11 7GF	Non material amendment to application reference CH/22/0069 to upgrade the proposed charging station from a BYD 120kW charger to a BYD 160kW charger.	No Objection
CH/23/0295	15/08/2023	14 Barn Way WS12 0FP	Erection of a single storey side extension	No Objection

09/23/76.0 Events Committee Meeting

09/23/76.1 Council noted the minutes from the events committee meeting on Wednesday, 9th August 2023.

09/23/77.0 Open Spaces Committee Meeting

07/23/77.1 Council noted the minutes from the Open Spaces committee meeting on Wednesday, 9th August 2023.

09/23/78.0 Highways Projects

Council to consider areas to spend the £5,000 budget. Tarmac and patch pathways had been a consideration. Cllr Hewitt, Cllr Thompson and Cllr Aston would identify areas that required work. Cllr Thompson to obtain three quotes to clear grass and weeds from Hobart and Melbourne Road.

07/23/79.0 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, Provision Of Puffin Crossing Heath Way

Council noted the latest proposal for a Puffin Crossing on Heath Way. Work had already commenced.

09/23/80.0 Neighbourhood Plan

A decision for the Council to have a neighbourhood plan was deferred from the October 2022 meeting (10/22/106.0). Council to decided if they would like to explore the option again.

RESOLVED: Council decided that they wished to explore funding options and a public consultation.

09/23/81.0 Prosperity Fund

09/23/76.1 Council to consider the next 2 year spends, proposals:

Balance 2023-24 £6,946.17

Hednesford Road	4 x Oblong Planter	£1,835.40
Heath Hayes Park	2 x Tiered Planter	£1,560.10
Dorset Road/Stafford Street & Hobart Road	2 x Grit Bin	£505.52
Brickworks Road	Speed Indicator Sign	£3,040.00
		£6,941.02

RESOLVED: Council agreed the spends for 2023-24

Balance 2024-25 £32,436.29

Handyman	Hedger Trimmer	£130.00
John Street	2 x Bus Shelter	£7,590.00
Norton Road	Bus Shelter	£3,795.00
John Street by new coronation bench	Tiered planter	£780.05
Hemlock Way	Speed Indicator Sign	£3,040.00
Designer Village Island or Hill Street Island	2 x Aluminium Deer pair	£2,900.00
Tesco Island & John Street Island	Metal deer Silhouettes	£13,200.00
Heath Hayes & Wimblebury	Plants to refill planters, hanging baskets and boarders	£1,000.00
		£32,435.05

Proposed: Cllr P Haden

Seconded: Cllr J Aston

RESOLVED: Council agreed the spends for 2024-25, subject to clarification that the bus shelters to be replaced were on active routes.

09/23/82.0 Asset Register

Council approved the updated Asset Register.

09/23/83.0 Review of Committee Members

Council to review committee members. Cllr J Preece joined the Open Spaces and Events committee.

09/23/84.0 Speed Indication Signs

Council agreed the location of the Speed Indication Signs on Brickworks Road.

Proposed: Cllr P Haden

Seconded: Cllr J Aston

09/23/85.0 Friends of Heath Hayes Park, Scarecrow Festival

Council decided to enter a Parish Council Scarecrow into the festival, the Chairmans allowance would cover any costs.

09/23/86.0 Council Insurance Policy

Council to review and consider the insurance quote received.

RESOLVED: To accept the Insurance quote.

Proposed: Cllr P Hewitt

Seconded: Cllr A Fitzgerald

09/23/87.0 Items for Information or Future Agendas

Antivirus on emails.

09/23/88.0 Date of Next Meeting - Council Meeting Wednesday, 4th October 2023 at 7pm

Meeting ended: 8.40pm

Signed: 

Dated: 04/10/2023