Minutes of the High Hoyland Parish Meeting held on Monday 16th October 2023 at 8.30 pm at the Cherry Tree, High Hoyland

- Chair: Anthony Massouras
- Clerk: Richard Leech
- **Present:** Ward Cllr Burnett, David & Jo Roberts, James Perigo, Mike & Ruth Heaversedge, Paul & Kay Reid, Jasper & Tina Hodges, Marcus Dacre, John Garrity, Kathryn Williams, Lucinda Kirby, Jayne Webster, Robin Hugill, A & M Kenyon, Charles Durrans, Robert Hauxwell.
- **Apologies:** Malcolm and Margaret Pursey, Will and Vicky Jowett, Glynn Richards, Gearoid & Fiona O'Connell, Andrea Haigh.

1. Minutes

The minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Monday 22nd May 2023 were approved.

The Chair signed the minutes.

2. Matters arising

None

3. Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Meeting held on Monday 22nd May 2023 were approved.

The Chair signed the minutes.

4. Matters arising

None

5. Financial review.

The Clerk updated the Meeting that there was still £1 being held to open a bank account if needed. The Clerk also confirmed he was happy to continue in the role on a voluntary basis.

6. Planning

The previous planning applications were noted with no comments made.

The Solar Farm proposal in the Woolley area was discussed by the Meeting and it was agreed it would have no impact on High Hoyland and that it was a step towards energy security. It was noted that the residents of Woolley had no real objections to the proposal.

A resident did not agree on the use of agricultural land to provide sites for solar farms as he considered there were numerous brownfield sites that were suitable for use and they weren't being utilised.

7. Highways

A resident reported overhanging hedges on Church Lane and Bank End Lane. These need cutting by BMBC. Ward Cllr Burnett will contact Highways.

Residents reported that since Bank End Lane was resurfaced the white lines hadn't been reinstated. This was leading to traffic driving in the centre of the road causing road safety problems.

Residents reported that High Hoyland Lane was degrading terribly, large potholes appearing and the edge of the highway crumbling away. This was being made worse by the increase in traffic to Cannon Hall Farm. Ward Cllr Burnett will raise the issue with Highways.

8. Footpaths

It was reported that the footpath on Church Lane was badly overgrown with ivy and the stone wall was crumbling onto the pavement.

It was acknowledged that maintenance of this wall was the land owners responsibility but a few residents said they would be prepared to tidy the area. The Clerk will investigate whether Twiggs will be able to assist.

9. Crime & Safety

Residents reported that crime seems to have lessened throughout the village, maybe due the increased police focus on rural crime. Jo Roberts reported there had not been a Crime and Safety Meeting since August but they were expected to start again soon.

10. Environmental issues

Fly-tipping throughout the village has also reduced, probably in part to increased fencing by Earnshaws in the tipping hotspots.

Residents will do a litter pick later in the year.

11. AOB

The planning application at All Hallows was discussed as this has now been refused by BMBC.

9. Date of next meeting

May 20th 2024 was proposed as the date of the next meeting

Approved : Signed by the Chair Anthony Massouras

November 13th 2023