

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HEALING PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 10th OCTOBER 2017
AT THE VILLAGE HALL, GREAT COATES ROAD, HEALING AT 7.00 PM.**

Present: Cllr. Smith (Chairman)
Cllrs. Metcalfe, Walker, Nijjar and Wright and Jones and Hickman after cooption

Apologies Cllr. Mooney

There were 7 members of the public present (including candidates for cooption) for parts of the meeting but not all of the meeting.

17/102 To receive and accept apologies for absence

Received from Cllr. Mooney due to holidays.

RESOLVED: That apologies be received and accepted

Apologies received also from two Ward Cllrs.

17/103 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Code of Conduct 2012) –

Clerk declared an interest in the YPC item under the SLCC Clerk's Code due to family connection. Noted.

17/104 To approve minutes of the previous meetings held in September 2017

To approve minutes of the meeting held in September 2017.

RESOLVED: That minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting

17/105 Cooption to fill Casual Vacancy

To consider two candidates – Mr. Ian Jones and Mr. R. Hickman, to fill casual vacancies and agree any necessary actions

Mr. Hickman and Mr. Jones both present and gave short speech to Council – there were no questions from members. Both candidates were proposed, seconded and voted unanimously to be coopted onto the Council with immediate effect and both signed Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

**RESOLVED: That Mr. Jones and Mr. Hickman both be coopted onto Healing Parish Council
With immediate effect**

17/106 Police Report

To receive police report for month and agree any actions including update from Neighbourhood Watch

Written report received and circulated and noted.

Neighbourhood Watch – Coordinator has now stepped down and it was agreed to run small article in next Newsletter to advertise for a coordinator. Clerk to go back to Cllr. Dickerson regarding funding as previously discussed and update the situation.

RESOLVED: That advert be put in next Newsletter for coordinator for NW

Public Break -

Three members of the public present with concerns about the money raised by the Healing Young People's Council and what will happen to the fund balance. The Chairman advised that it was not Parish Council funding and the PC did not wish to have the account closed. However, the two sole signatories on the account had refused to update the mandate with new officially appointed signatories, as requested by the PC, and instead had closed the account and given the balance of the funding to the PC. This would now be proposed to be ringfenced by the PC until either the YPC reformed and was rebooted and started holding regular meetings or if this did not occur, the PC would consult with the village and in particular its young people, to agree suitable

projects for the money to be used for to benefit young people within the village. The Chairman moved up the Youth Council item on the Agenda to be taken as the next item to follow on from this discussion for the benefit of those present.

17/115 brought forward c) To receive update report on Healing Young People's Council governance arrangements and agree any further necessary actions

Chairman gave background to this item for benefit of new members. Meeting held on 31st August which had been minuted with minutes agreed, showed that all decisions made were to be actioned but this had not occurred and the purpose was to provide a transition to new members and a better compliance with the requirements of the procedures and protocols for a Young People's Council. At no stage did the PC ask for the funding, it simply wished to appoint an official signatory from the Council members as had been agreed previously. The meeting held did not reveal any reservations or objections from previous signatories, however they had failed to comply with what had been agreed at the initial meeting. The PC had written to advise of the responsibilities involved and a cheque had then been given to the PC with advice that the account for the YPC would be closed. The Chairman advised that the PC had acted correctly as it had been advised that the two signatories would disburse the funds as they saw fit and the Chairman had written in this regard as it had a duty to ensure that the funds would not be spent without full agreement with members of the YPC, which had not been agreed as no meetings had been held for approx. 9 months.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would now look to reinvigorate the YPC and provide a new Constitution and operating guidelines under the umbrella of the Parish Council. It was agreed that the funding received from the YPC would be ring-fenced for use only by a newly formed YPC or used only on projects as the result of a consultation with young people within the village and for the benefit of young people within the village. It was agreed that costumes which belonged to the YPC would be donated to Vibe Musical Theatre Group and any outstanding scenery items which were not able to be stored, would be disposed of by the Parish Council.

RESOLVED: That the YPC funding received by the Council would be ring-fenced for use Solely on projects to benefit young people within Healing and that the PC Would now work on reinvigorating the Healing Young People's Council and Provide a new constitution and should the organization become active again Then the funding will be allocated for its use.

The Chairman reopened the public session at this point to ask if the members of the public present were satisfied with the outcome and further discussion took place with the Chairman reiterating the decision made by the Parish Council.

17/107 Highways/footpaths and Traffic Issues

- a) To receive update from NELC on parking restriction scheme within village from NELC

NELC were still advising that this was being organized and this was noted.

- b) To consider issue of resurfacing for Chapel footpath, receive quotations and agree any necessary actions

Defer until next meeting.

RESOLVED: That this item be deferred to next meeting.

- c) To receive update on any other footpaths/highways and agree any necessary actions

Nothing reported.

17/108 Planning Matters

To consider the following planning applications:

Revisit of comments on following application from September meeting due to new information received:

DM/0818/17/FUL Fairview, Rowan Drive, Healing

Erect single storey detached granny annexe to rear

Members agreed that new information which had been received should be discussed but it was agreed that the Council was still in objection to the proposal.

NELC New Local Plan – comments for consultation by 31st October 2017**Consultation on proposed main modifications**

Agreed to submit concerns on infrastructure, maintaining the spaces between villages and concerns over housing expansion onto infrastructure generally.

To receive any planning decisions and any representations regarding development made at the meeting for information only

RESOLVED: That comments be submitted as agreed

17/109 Land Management**Healing Moated Site**

To receive report on Site from FG representative if present

Representative not present.

To consider any works to the site and agree any actions

Nothing to report and Cllr. Walker would remind the Group about holding regular meetings.

Porri's Wood

To consider any works to the site and agree any actions – Clerk would be conducting site inspection.

Cornflower Copse

To consider any works to the site and agree any actions – Clerk would be conducting site inspection.

17/110 Park Management

a) To receive update on park management issues and agree any necessary actions

Clerk would be contacting NELC to see what arrangements would be in place for coming financial year. Noted.

b) To receive report on bowling green for the year, report from bowling club meeting and agree any necessary actions for bowling provision for 2018

The Bowling Club had confirmed that it would be using the Bowling Green for the coming season during 2018. It was agreed to approach the Club and ask if there would be any donation from it for the next season.

RESOLVED: That the Bowling Club be asked if it would be making a donation for the use Of the Green for the coming season for 2018.

Clerk advised that winter maintenance would take place over the next few months on the green, including aeration and scarifying and top dressing treatments. These had been budgeted for and agreed previously. Noted.

c) To receive update on provision of picnic benches and agree any further actions

Benches had been received and Clerk would organize installation - Cllr. Wright kindly offered to do this if he could. Clerk to contact Cllr. Dickerson re ward funding for further benches.

17/111 Healing Village Hall

(a) To receive update on current hirings and agree any necessary actions

Request for further dog training session had been received. Agreed to trial for the initial 10 weeks requested in New Year and then monitor and discuss with staff any issues.

RESOLVED: That additional dog training sessions be allowed on a Friday evening for Initial trial period of 10 weeks with monitoring

17/112 Reports

Town and Parish Liaison – 29.09.17

No one had attended and Chairman had sent apologies.

Ward Cllrs.

Not present.

Any other reports

None received.

17/113 Future Dates

Next Parish Council Meeting – Tuesday 14th November 2017

Remembrance Day Service and Parade – Sunday 12th November 2017

Parade musters at 10.25 am and Chairman requested Cllrs. attend if possible.

ERNLLCA Conference – Friday 17th November 2017 – Cllr. Metcalfe to attend and Clerk already down to attend.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. Metcalfe attend the ERNLLCA Conference

Tennis Day – Saturday 14th October 2017 – Meeting there at 12.30 pm and refreshments to be provided.

Christmas Tree Event – Sunday 10th December 2017 – 4.00 pm

17/114 Healing Village News

To receive notice of next edition – November 2017 – and agree any necessary actions including leader article

Agreed leader article to be Remembrance Service.

RESOLVED: That leader article be Remembrance Day Service reminder

17/115 Correspondence/Information Update/Parish Matters

a) Info from NELC/ERNLLCA etc. all for circulation

All information already circulated electronically.

RESOLVED TO Move Standing Orders To 9.15 pm.

b) To consider Christmas tree event/date and agree necessary actions including information on new/extra lighting

All arrangements to be sorted at November meeting. Noted.

c) To receive update report on Healing Young People’s Council governance arrangements and agree any further necessary actions

Already covered earlier in Agenda.

17/116 **Finance**

- a) To approve payment of cheques as per list for this meeting

RESOLVED: That payments be made as per schedule circulated.

- b) To receive notice of update of new mandate now in force

Clerk advised that Nat West had confirmed updating of mandate and signatories were now Cllrs Smith, Hubbard, Metcalfe, Walker and Wright. Noted.

- c) To receive any update from Annual Return/External Audit and agree any necessary actions

Annual Return received back and no outstanding issues requiring/needng action – Clerk advised the Auditors had advised the rights to public inspections had not been met but this was because the PC had allowed an extra day for the inspection period, ie it was longer than it should have been, and so technically the Auditors had noted this. It was agreed that the official audit be closed for the year.

RESOLVED: That the audit for fy 16/17 be officially closed with no actions required

17/117 **Chairman’s Items**

To consider and discuss community issues and engagement by the Parish Council with possible events and agree any actions

Agreed that the Legion be contacted with regard to a possible repeat Showcase event for 2018. Chairman would contact and members were happy to make funds available as per last event.

**RESOLVED: That the Chairman contact the Legion regarding possible Village Event for 2018
 And that funding be made available again as for the event for 2017.**

17/118 **Personnel Matters**

To receive notice of commencement of staff appraisals for information only

Staff appraisal process had been initiated and would be carried out as required and reported back to the next available meeting of the Council.

Chairman closed the meeting at 9.13 pm.

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