

Minutes of a Meeting of Dunham & Hapsford Parish Council held on 1/3/94 in the Village Hall.

Present: Cllr Powell in the chair, Cllrs Schofield, Guest, Tomlinson, Whitlow, Clayton, Ashley and Lyon and County Councillor McConnell.

1. **Apologies:** Cllr Evans and Rowlands
Chairman welcomed the Mayor of Chester to our Meeting.
2. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 1/2/94**
Add to Item 8 "No washing and cooking facilities were available at certain times", Prop Cllr Guest, Seconded Cllr Lyon that "Minutes of Meeting held on 1/2/94 be signed as a true and correct record". All members present in favour.
3. **Arising from Minutes**
 - a) **School Playing Fields:** Governors meeting will be held on 2/3/94
 - b) **Water Burst Hapsford:** Clerk had reported to North West Water who stated they were still awaiting a part.
 - c) **Hedges Hapsford Lane:** Pass to Cheshire County Council
 - d) **Clerks Contract:** Prop Cllr Guest, Seconded Cllr Ashley that "Chairman and Vice Chairman open an account with the Halifax Building Society for the Clerks gratuity". All members in favour.
 - e) **Smoke Alarms:** After further discussion the clerk was requested to put this item on the Agenda for our next meeting.
4. **Correspondence**
 - a) **Resignation of Councillor:** - Due to business commitments Cllr Potter wishes to resign from the Council - Clerk to write thanking Cllr Potter for all his work. Clerk to obtain necessary forms to advertise vacancy.
 - b) **Bus Shelter Hapsford:** Cheshire County Council have no objection to the PC siting a shelter in the vicinity of Hapsford Lane. Site meeting had been held and the position of shelter agreed with Cheshire County Council, clerk to obtain quotes for building the shelter. Clerk has also obtained permission to apply for a Grant towards the cost of purchase of the shelter.
 - c) **Maff Depot Hob Lane:** City Council will arrange to litter pick outside the area and the recycling officer is attempting to arrange with the site agents to have the material moved from the site.
 - d) **Council Houses Hapsford:** Letter from Chief Executive answering certain of our points. Clerk to raise again the cost of using the tenants electricity, and confirm that redecoration covers expenditure on underlay and if compensation is available on cleaning properties on completion. My council ask if when the above are discussed with the tenants members of the Parish Council could be present. Concern was expressed regarding Mrs Davies kitchen appliances which will not fit in her new kitchen.
 - e) **Street Lighting:** Letter received covering the following points.
 - a) Light 2 Talbot Road - Repairs will take place.
 - b) Lights Low Hall - Manweb will carry out the work to connect lights on 21/2/94 - not yet started.
 - c) Hob Lane - Put in the 1994/5 programme
 - f) **Painting of Road Signs:** Cheque for 100 Pounds received from Cheshire County Council to cover brushes, paint etc.
 - g) **Chester Road A56 Accident:** Cheshire County Council state accident was not caused by flooding and drains as this point has been jetted.

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- j) **Environmental Planning:** Cllrs Ashley & Tomlinson will meet students from Manchester University who are carrying out a study on villages.
- k) **Study by Students of Sir J Moores University:** History of Parish Councils - Letter taken by Mayor, Booklet taken by Chairman to be discussed at School Governors meeting.
- l) **Local Housing Survey Report:** Passed to Cllr Ashley. A meeting will be held at Elton on 7/3/94 to discuss the report.

5) **Accounts February 1994**

Proposed Cllr Whitlow, Seconded Cllr Ashley that "Cheques for February Accounts be signed.

K C Hinkley		200.00
B L Watson	133.38	
Brush & Gloves	10.43	143.81
M A Watson		77.22
Halifax Building Society		1700.00
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6) **Plans**

- 94/00150 **Extension Hapsford Cottage, Hapsford Lane:** No objection
- 94/00203 **Signs Dunham Arms - Chester Road:** No objection
- 94/00234 **Boiler Unit Maff Depot - Hob Lane:** Awaiting Views

7) **Village Matters**

- a) **Tree Cash Lane:** Clerk to have removed
- b) **Gypsy Site Mobile Homes:** Clerk to ascertain if meeting has been held regarding Gypsy Sites.
- c) **Helsby Arms:** Clerk to contact Bass Charrington regarding its future and contact local police regarding licence.
- d) **Direction Sign - Low Hall:** Requires Repair
- e) **Best Kept Garden Competition:** Prop Cllr Clayton, Seconded Cllr Lyon that "Parish Council continue to run the Best Kept Garden Competition". All members in favour.
- f) **Sharp Bend Sign - Village Road:** Clerk to follow up.
- g) **Newsletter:** Councillors wishing to add any items should contact Cllr Ashley. Address and telephone number of District Councillors will appear in the Newsletter.
- h) **Associated Octel Incident:** Clerk had obtained Fire Brigade Report. Clerk to put on Agenda for next meeting.
- i) **Vermin Dunham Arms:** Clerk to report to Environmental Dept.

8) **Date Of Next Meeting**

April 5th at 7.00pm in the Village Hall followed at 8.00pm by the Annual Parish Meeting.

Don Bull 5/4/94.