

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE DUNHAM HILL & HAPSFORD PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
7/1/97 AT 7.30PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr. Schofield in the chair, Cllrs. Tomlinson, Whitlow Evans (F), Guest, Grundy, and Hall.

1 Apologies for Absence

Cllrs. Lyon and Evans (A)

2 Parish Council Vacancy

Election will take place on 6/2/97 and nominations to be in by noon on 10/1/97

3 Minutes of Meeting held on 3/12/96

Proposed Cllr. Grundy, seconded Cllr. Lyon that "Minutes of Meeting held on 3/12/96 be signed as a true and correct record." All present in favour.

4 Dunham Hill Playgroup

Mrs Hawker was in attendance and it was agreed that this item be discussed immediately. Proposed Cllr. Hall, seconded Cllr. Grundy that "Cheque for donation of £150 to the Playgroup be signed." All members present in favour. Chairman presented Mrs Hawker with the cheque who then thanked the Council for the donation.

5 Arising from Minutes

- a) Home Watch - Clerk to ascertain if a co-ordinator has been appointed for Talbot Road
- b) Water burst, Common Lane - Still to be repaired
- c) Hapsford Land - Clerk to write to Mr Woolley
- d) Dunham Hill Village sign - Matter is in hand.
- e) Footpath, Post Office - Further reinstatement has been carried out.
- f) Playarea, Talbot road - Cllr. Hall had visited the site but found it unsuitable.
- g) Bus Stop Post - Work has been completed
- h) Caravan Park entrance - clerk had reported matter to the Police and had written to City council Planning Department and is awaiting a reply.

6 Correspondence

- a) Structure Plan 2011 - Clerk had obtained a copy of the report. Meeting to be held at Chairman's home on 19/1/97 at 11.00am to formulate the Council's reply.
- b) Moor Lane - CCC state that carriage way dressing will take place in 1997 programme. City Council will erect street name plates.
- c) Flooding, Wheatsheaf - Letter received from brewery stating that work on the car park drain and gully will be carried out.
- d) Chester Chronicle - Letter stating that they would be pleased to receive our agenda and minutes, but due to staffing levels a reporter would not attend our meetings. Clerk to forward agenda and minutes to the Chester Chronicle.
- e) Launch of Cheshire's Agenda 21 - Take place at Winsford Civic Hall on 22/1/97 at 2.00pm.
- f) Police Forum - List of dates of meetings to be forwarded to all councillors.
- g) Cheshire Constabulary, Rural Parish Challenge Initiative - Launched on 19/3/97 at 9.30am at Tennants Hall, Tatton Park, Knutsford. Cllr. Hall to represent the Parish Council.
- h) Grant, Churchyard Maintenance - City Council confirm a grant of £250 for 1997.
- i) Account and Audit regulations - Clerk to obtain copy at cost of £4.99 and also attend course on 1/3/97 at County Hall at a cost of £10.00
- j) Precept 1997-98 - Clerk produced figures of likely balance at 31/3/97 allowing for a cost of the Election on 6/2/97. Proposed Cllr. Whitlow, seconded Cllr. Guest that "Precept for 1997/98 be set at £2500." All members present in favour.

15 P. J. Schofield

7 Accounts for December 1996

Proposed Cllr. Grundy, seconded Cllr. Hall that "Cheques for December 1996 be signed." All members present in favour.

B L Watson 40.5 hrs at £3.82	154.71 \	
Brushes	<u>9.76 \</u>	164.47
Clerk salary	250.00 \	
Postage	19.50 \	
Telephone	3.50 \	
Car Allowance	<u>44.17 \</u>	<u>317.17</u>
		<u>Total £481.64</u>

8 Plans

96/1306 Residential Development, Dunham Hill, Village Road - Council object to the plan as it is Green Belt land and in the Conservation Area.

9 Village Matters

- a) NWW Railway Bridge, Hapsford - Clerk to request urgent reinstatement of land.
- b) Car Parking, Village Road - Clerk to report to the Police the number of cars parking at the junction of A56 and Village Road.
- c) Village Road - Clerk to write to CCC regarding a complaint received from a councillor concerning water getting on to the road adjacent to Dunham Hall which turned to ice and was a considerable danger to vehicles.
- d) Newsletter - Councillors to discuss further at next meeting.
Recycling Bells - Local residents be advised that glass recycling bells have been sited in the Car Park of the Helsby Arms for local use.

10 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on 4th February 1997 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

P. J. Schofield
16