

# HOAR CROSS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2018  
at Hoar Cross Hall and Health Spa

Present: Cllrs Bott, Fleet and Major, Cllr Mrs Prince  
Miss E Goodwin (Parish Clerk) and 16 members of the public

Cllr Bott chaired the Meeting

1 Public participation

Cllr Bott welcomed the members of the public, and thanked them for taking an interest in the proposed HS2 powerlines, which were then discussed.

2 Apologies

Cllr Mrs Sherwood

3 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Mrs Prince declared an interest in Planning Application P/2017/00342.

4 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2018

These were signed as an accurate record of the Meeting.

5 Matters arising not covered on the Agenda

There were no matters arising.

6 HS2

Correspondence: two letters, a letter and an email objecting to the proposal.

Cllr Bott explained that the information was sketchy; a substation had been moved from the site of Rugeley Power Station because it would affect the value of the land; he has spoken to the Chairman of Newborough Parish Council, and it was agreed the Parish Councils would respond in a co-ordinated way; using underground cables was suggested. The information needs to be gathered, everyone needs to see the proposal, and then a co-ordinated response can be made.

Cllr Prince had met Michael Fabricant MP; she had requested a meeting, and will push for a response from him; it seems no-one was aware of this proposal until the letters came; she wondered if there was a law regarding how close powerlines could be to a dwelling.

Cllr Bott will talk to Cllr Johnson regarding the ESBC stance.

Cllr Jessell explained that the County Council found out about the proposal from the newspaper, and Cabinet will write a formal letter of complaint. She suggested campaigning as separate groups, but work in a co-ordinated way; there will be discussions later in the year; HS2 cannot be stopped, but modifications can be made; she feels the Borough Council will complain because the proposal is detrimental; she will cascade information to the Parish Councils, which will be put on the website; suggested working with other individuals and groups eg The Wildlife Trust, CPRE. Cllr Bott asked Cllr Fleet to research organisations who could support the protest.

Cllr Bott pointed out that the powerlines will be going over Duchy land.

- 7 Planning - Cllr Major
- a) Applications received P/2018/00485 Demolition of existing garden wall/ erection of new garden wall at 1 Park Cottages; this has now been refused; Cllr Major agreed to look at the property.
- b) Applications approved P/2018/00676 Diversion of Public Footpath No 9 at Brackenhurst Manor.
- c) Applications refused
- d) Applications update
- e) Other planning matters P/2017/00342 Conversion of an agricultural building to form a farm shop and café at The Deer Park. This was submitted as a new proposal on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2018, and a letter in support of the application has been sent to ESBC.

- 8 Parish Councillors Reports
- Highways Cllr Bott Cllr Bott has been advised by the Highways Dept that nothing can be done about traffic calming on Thorney Lanes; Cllr Jessell had reported the potholes to Highways.
- Environment Cllr Mrs Prince Nothing to report.
- Footpaths Cllr Mrs Sherwood No report.

- 9 County Councillor's Report
- Cllr Jessell reported that the works on Burton Bridge are ahead of schedule; Barton High Street is closed; the Borough and County Councillors have met to discuss the upgrading of Station Street in Burton; Library services have been cut, and Barton Community Library is thriving; information about the Highways will be put on the website, and Parish Cllrs will be able to have access; Cllr Jessell is arranging a forum for Parish Cllrs re footpaths, and the local police would like to meet the Parish Councillors.

- 10 Borough Councillor's Report
- With regard to the grant of £250.00, Cllr Fleet suggested purchasing a petrol strimmer and protective clothing; the Parish Clerk was asked to contact Cllr Johnson.

- 11 Parish Clerk's Report
- The Clerk explained that the Annual Audit had been submitted, and that she is now waiting to hear from the Auditors in September; she went through the paperwork from Alan Topliss regarding the way forward; the updated Standing Orders, Risk Assessment, Media Policy and Publication Scheme had been emailed to the Councillors prior to this Meeting, and all were ratified and will be put on the website; she thanked the Cllrs for completing the Declaration of Interest forms, and will send the originals to ESBC.

- 12 Finance
- Bank Reconciliation was approved, and the following cheques signed:

Date	Cheque No	Payee	Details	Total
30 <sup>th</sup> July	763	Toplis Associates	Administrative support	145.00
30 <sup>th</sup> July	764	Smith of Derby	Church clock tower maintenance	180.00
30 <sup>th</sup> July	765	Hoar Cross Hall	Room hire (July)	20.00
30 <sup>th</sup> July	766	Mrs H Sherwood	BKV expenses	113.28

- 13 GDPR
- As recommended by Alan Toplis, an analysis of data held should be carried out, and then actions planned.

14 Correspondence

Information about the SPACE scheme, which had been put in the bus shelter; information about playgrounds; information from Nat West Bank re foreign currency payments; a request from the Dougie Mac hospice for a donation, which was refused.

15 Members points of interest

Cllr Fleet asked about the Meynell; it is listed as a Community Asset; no action can be taken until a planning application has been submitted.

16 Dates of next meetings: Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September, Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November and Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019 in the Old Chapel at Hoar Cross Hall.

P. G. Prince

24<sup>TH</sup> Sept 2018.