

HOAR CROSS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 9th December 2019
at the Hoar Cross Hall

Present: Cllrs Bott and Major, Cllrs Mrs Prince and Mrs Sherwood
Miss E Goodwin (Parish Clerk),

Cllr Bott chaired the Meeting

- 1 Public Speaking Time
Mrs G Sykes explained their garden is inundated with gamebirds; she has tried to contact Mr Tom Hough, who runs the shoot, but has had no response.
- 2 Apologies
County Cllr Jessell, Cllr Mrs Smith.
- 3 Meynell Ingram Arms - update from Mr Tom Cross, Manager
The Meynell family have agreed to lease the land to Byrkley Inns, who will reinstate the grass; they also have permission to cut down the fallen tree; they are waiting for the paperwork. They will prevent guests from coming off the grass by the bus shelter. A marquee will be up over the Christmas period; there will be no fireworks on New Year's Eve.
- 4 Declarations of Interest
There were no Declarations of Interest.
- 5 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 20th September 2019
These were signed as an accurate record of the Meeting.
- 6 Matters arising not covered on the Agenda
Cllr Mrs Prince reported that the Nursing Home had left signs advertising the Christmas Fair on the speed gates; the Parish Clerk is to write to the Nursing Home to ask them to remove any signs after an event.
- 7 HS2
Nothing to report.
- 8 Planning Cllr Major
 - a) Applications received P/2019/00885 erection of a two storey side extension and single storey front extension at Cross Hayes House; no objections.
P/2019/01188 erection of a timber stable block,
construction of a manure clamp and hardstanding at Birchwood Cottage; no objections.
P/2019/01279 remodelling of existing dwelling to
include extensions and erection of a two storey detached building to form garage and first floor gym at Brackenhurst Manor; no objections.
P/2019/01384 erection of single storey front and side
extensions, infill extension to form dining room, dormer extension and detached double garage at Barndale; no objections.
 - b) Applications approved P/2019/00888 erection of an indoor equestrian arena at Birchwood House; Cllr Major commented that the Planning Department are satisfied that this

is not a commercial operation.

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retention of a temporary stable block for

a period of 12 months at Birchwood House; Cllr Major confirmed that Mr Evans could apply for another 12 month period when this current period has finished.

- c) Applications refused
- d) Other planning matters

9 Parish Councillors Reports

Highways Cllr Bott thanked Cllr Jessell and Highways for sorting out the flooding on Thorney Lanes.

Environment Cllr Mrs Prince thanked Cllr Jessell for her support in sorting out the blocked drain at the bottom of Brakenhurst Bank.

Footpaths Cllr Mrs Sherwood no report.

10 County Councillor's Report

No report.

11 Borough Councillor's Report

No report.

12 Parish Clerk's Report

The Clerk has opted out of the workplace pension.

13 Finance

The Bank Reconciliation was approved, and the following cheques were issued:

Date	Cheque No	Payee	Details	Total
9 th December 808		Miss E Goodwin	Salary/expenses	£510.95
9 th December 809		HMRC	PAYE	£111.80
9 th December 810		Hoar Cross Hall	Room hire	£20.00
9 th December 811		Mrs H Sherwood	Plants etc	£49.47

The Clerk had met Cllrs Bott and Major to review the Expenses so far, and to plan the Budget for 2020-2021; both have been circulated to the Councillors. The Precept was discussed. Cllr Bott proposed a) the Budget and b) that the Precept remain at £5,800.00; both were accepted.

14 Best Kept Village

Cllr Mrs Prince thanked everyone, and especially Lynne Bott, for their help.

15 Website accessibility

The SPCA have produced guidelines regarding website accessibility, and the County Council have a template for a website, but there are costs involved. The Clerk is to circulate the guidelines to the Councillors.

16 Game bird problem in Thorney Lanes

Cllr Major explained that the gamebirds are wild and belong to whoever's land they are on; he agreed to visit the properties concerned. After the visit, the Parish Council will write to the owner of the shoot to express their concern.

17 Correspondence

The Parish Clerk has received a letter from Nat West Bank regarding bank charges.

18 Members Points of Information

Cllr Prince suggested asking the Meynell to plant the baskets on the speed gates near to them.

- 19 Dates of next meeting: Monday 23rd March at 7.30pm in the Old Chapel, Hoar Cross Hall; Monday 18th May at 6.30pm, followed by the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30pm in the Church; Monday 15th June at 7.30pm in the Old Chapel, Monday 14th September at 7.30pm in the Old Chapel, Tuesday 8th December at 7.30pm in the Old Chapel.

P. P. Bott.

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