

MINUTES OF HAMBRIDGE AND WESTPORT PARISH COUNCIL
MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8TH FEBRUARY 2023
IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, HAMBRIDGE VILLAGE HALL

23/979 PRESENT:

Cllr. S. Denley (Chairman), Cllr. P. Masters (Vice Chair), Cllr. R Maidment, Cllr. R Meecham, Cllr G. Hill.
M. Stanton (District Councillor), J. Roundell-Green (County Councillor) & Mrs. L. Brooks (Clerk). There were
2 members of the public present.

23/980 APOLOGIES:

Mr. A Dance (County Councillor)

23/981 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Cllr Hill declared an interest with regards to the planning application (neighbour)

23/982 MINUTES:

The Minutes from the January meeting had been circulated. They were agreed and signed.

Proposed: Cllr.Meecham

Seconded: Cllr. Hill

Agreed unanimously.

23/983 PUBLIC TIME

23/983/a Public Time:

A member of the public discussed the recent community meeting that was held in the hall. A small number of
people attended. Another newsletter will be produced which will promote events in the village to try to build a
community feel. A member of the HWRT thanked the PC for the old Parish Council notice board which will be
used to publicise village events.

A member of the HWRT thanked the Parish Council for their ongoing support with their annual grant of
£1,500.00. They intend to refurbish the committee room. They also reported that the outstanding amount left to
spend from the SCC grant will be going towards upgrading the sound system in the hall.

23/983/b District Councillor & County Councillor report (combined):

District Councillor Stanton and County Councillor Roundell-Green were both present. They discussed how the
new Somerset Council is proposing to involve communities, organisations and other interested parties in the
planning process.

Councillor Stanton reported that the budget had now been produced and there would be many savings made.

23/983/c P.C.S.O. Report:

Nothing to report

23/984 MATTERS ARISING

23/984/a Community meeting – update

Reported in public time.

23/985 PLANNING:

23/985/a Matters for report:

Nothing to report

23/985/b Decisions Notified: The Clerk had been notified on the following –

Nothing to report

23/985/c Applications for consideration.

APPLICATION NO. 23/00163/LBC

PROPOSAL: Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of an extension in its place and internal
reconfiguration.

LOCATION: The Dairy House Hambridge Langport Somerset TA10 0AJ

The Parish Council had no objections. ****SUPPORT****

23/986 FINANCE:

23/986/a Matters for report

Nothing to report

23/986/b Matters for Resolution

HWRT annual grant payment for £1,500.00 plus outstanding amount of grant from SCC for continued AV upgrade - £532.00 was requested by HWRT. The total amounted to £2,032.00. A resolution was made to release these funds. Clerk to arrange payment.

Action: Clerk

Proposed: Cllr. Maidment

Seconded: Cllr. Meecham

Agreed unanimously.

23/986/c Cheques Payable:

All paid via Unity Trust Bank

JANUARY PAYMENTS DUE		
Louise Brooks	Salary – January 2023	£ 446.70
HMRC	NI & PAYE January 2023	£ 95.40
Louise Brooks	Expenses & home office Allowance – January 2023	£ 40.00
HWRT	Annual grant payment (£1,500.00) plus outstanding SCC grant for AV upgrade (£532.00)	£ 2,032.00
HWRT	Invoice for hire of committee room for community meeting	£ 10.00
SSDC	Rangers hours for January 2023	£ 426.14

Proposed: Cllr. Maidment

Seconded: Cllr. Meecham

Agreed unanimously.

23/987 CORRESPONDENCE:

All correspondence received, had been forwarded to the Parish Councillors.

23/988 FOOTPATHS:

Clerk reported that any footpath issues to be reported straight to SCC Rights of Way Officer.

23/989 MEMBERS' REPORTS/ITEMS FOR NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:

Members' Reports:

Chairman Cllr Denley reported that the dog bin at Hawkers Lane had not been emptied. Clerk to report.

Action: Clerk

Items for next Agenda:

WI – Annual Flower Show – Trophy donation?

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.10pm

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 8th March 2023 at 7.30 pm in the village hall.