

Hixon Parish Council  
Minutes of Parish Council Meeting Tuesday August 4th 2015

**In attendance for all or part of the meeting:**

Cllr. B McKeown (Chair), Cllr Mrs M Aberley, Cllr Mrs S McKeown, Cllr N Baxter, Cllr Mrs C Murdoch, Cllr A Murdoch.

Members of the public: See list of people signing as In Attendance.

Ref	Item	Action
001/14	Apologies received from Cllr. P Hopcroft, Cllr M Kelly	-
002/14	No Declarations of Interest received.	-
003/14	Minutes of meeting July 7th 2015 were accepted as accurate.	-
017/15	Planning Applications:	
	15/22518/FUL Construction of 196 berth narrowboat marina, facilities building, dry dock/workshop, pump out building; car parking; access and landscaping, Land South Of Shirleywich London Road Pasturefields	Object
	15/22623/OUT Erection of a one bed detached bungalow (outline application with all matters reserved), Land At Sunnyside Cottage, High Street, Hixon	Object
	15/22642/HOU Second storey extension to side of dwelling, Honeysuckle Cottage, Church Road, Hixon	No objection
	15/22208/COU Change of use of former World War II Hospital Building to multi uses comprising:- Community Use (D2), Health Facilities (D1), Podietrist, Retail Use (A1), Offices (B1) and Access, Former World War II Hospital Building, Egg Lane, Hixon AMENDED PLAN	Object
018/15	Planning Reports	
	15/22017/OUT Outline application for residential development comprising up to 50 detached /semi-detached properties, Land Adjacent To 24 The Croft Off Church Lane Hixon	Refused
	15/22397/HOU Dropped kerbs to allow access to property, 3 Lauder Grove, New Road, Hixon	Permitted
009/14	Chairman's announcements:	None
010/14	Councillor Questions:	
	Propose discussing the revised Standing Orders and Code of Conduct at October's meeting (rather than September's) - agreed	
	There is a lot of mud on New Road from the Taylor Wimpey site, particularly when it has been raining. Cllr. Kelly has been following up with Taylor Wimpey/MV Kelly about this	Cllr Kelly
	A safety barrier has been left around a grid on Church Road for some time - the pavement is mainly blocked, no work is being undertaken. No signs indicating who put the barrier there. Clerk to ask Highways if they can help.	Clerk
011/14	Date of next meeting: September 15th 2015	Clerk to book Memorial Hall
012/14	Public Participation:	
	John Martin commented that he really needed to put more than 10 houses on his 1.3 acre plot off Egg Lane, to make it affordable/worthwhile for him. He can't do anything about this until the new settlement boundary is adopted.	-
	John Martin asked what the situation was with the allotments, he would prefer the rent from plot-holders to be invoiced and paid directly to the Parish Council rather than via an intermediary such as the Wellington Fields Allotment Association (see AOB).	-
	What is happening with regards to the Gladman planning appeal? Waiting to hear from Stafford Borough Council.	-
016/15	AOB	
(069/12)	Bank House and the use of the car park: consider using a soak-away for the drainage water, to avoid paying charges to Severn Trent Water - Cllr. A Murdoch to get quotes for this (Colin Hutchinson may be able to help, also Cllr. Baxter to assist).	Cllr. A Murdoch
(069/12)	Chair to talk to solicitor about the situation.	Chair
(039/13)	Walk leaflets: Cllr. A Murdoch has obtained a quote of £145 for 500 leaflets. Chair to get quote from Brierley Printers as well, Cllr. A Murdoch to provide the specification to Chair.	Cllr. A Murdoch/Chair
(031/15)	Further HPC accounts Nat West Bank mandate forms were distributed for signatures from new councillors - it was agreed that all Councillors would be able to sign, 2 signatures required (not husband and wife). Clerk to sent the paperwork off to Nat West for finalisation.	Clerk
(097/07)	The PC intends to change the current allotment set-up so that the plot-holders have a direct tenancy agreement with the Hixon Parish Council. The landowner is in agreement with this.	Hixon Parish Council
016/14	Schedule of agreed payments	
	Reimbursement of C Gill for the defibrillator cabinets	£1,260.00
	Donation to the Scouts for renovation of Scout Hut on Bath Lane, 7th Stafford Scout Group	£500.00
	Hixon Memorial Hall April to June hall hire 4 occasions (£57.60) and electricity for bollard light Dec 13 to Dec 14 (£15.27).	£72.87
017/14	Correspondence received: Invitations to The Wizard off Oz and SBC Battle of Britain event.	

Meeting finished at 8.45 pm.