

HAMPSTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the meeting of the ordinary meeting of HAMPSTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL on Wednesday 6th May 2020 which was held remotely via a Zoom meeting.

Commenced: 6.00pm

Concluded: 6.30pm

Present: Cllr Brown (Chairman)

Cllr Mounsey

Cllr Collett

Cllr Howard

Cllr Jennings

Cllr Fairfoot

Clerk: R. Crabtree

2021/001 Introduction from the Chairman

Cllr Brown welcomed all to the first online meeting.

2021/002 Public Participation

None

2021/003 To receive any apologies and approve the reasons for absence

Apologies were received and approved from Cllr Backhouse.

2021/004 Declarations of interest

a) To receive any declarations of interests not already declared under members Code of Conduct or members register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

None received.

b) To receive, consider and decide upon any applications for dispensation

None received.

2021/005 To consider and agree an action regarding HAG funds

Cllrs felt that Cllr Mounsey had an interest in this item. Cllr Mounsey agreed to leave the meeting.

The Clerk confirmed that Parish Council does not have the power to give funds to individuals and if it did, it could lead to a judicial review that would not be covered by insurance as the Council would have acted unlawfully.

It was noted that under the Parish Council Standing Orders, it shall not reverse a previous resolution within six months except either by a special motion, which requires two councillors to propose this.

The Parish Council had received a request from the Chairman of the now dissolved HAG to change the use of the HAG funds that were gifted to the Parish Council. It was noted that these funds were accepted by the Parish Council and ringfenced for the original purpose to support and engage with residents on potential impacts and challenges of future housing developments on the Village.

This was discussed and the Councillors felt there was no demonstrated need in the Village for the funds to be used for hardship after receiving information from services in the area.

Resolved that only one councillor proposed to reverse the previous resolution and therefore under the Parish Council Standing Orders, the resolution agreed at the meeting held on 13th January 2020 will remain.