

# MINUTES OF HANKELow PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

## 4 MARCH 2024

**PRESENT:** G Foster (Chair)  
I Jones  
C Cope  
A Bellinger  
I Parker  
T Muxlow  
L Owen

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Four members of the public

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### 71 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

### 72 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare any non-pecuniary or disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI) which they had in any item of business on the agenda, the nature of that business and in respect of disclosable interests to leave the meeting prior to the discussion of that item. Councillors Jones and Foster declared an interest in any items related to The White Lion Community Pub Limited.

There were no declarations of interest.

### 73 MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr Jones and seconded by Cllr Cope and agreed that the minutes from 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2024 are approved as a true and correct record and signed by the Chair.

### 74 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

In accordance with the Parish Council's Standing Order No 1, members of the public were permitted to raise any questions or make a statement.

One member of the public made a statement.

### 75 MATTERS ARISING

There were no updates on any matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2024 not elsewhere covered in the agenda.

### 76 FELLING OF MATURE FIR TREE

The area where the tree stood has now been tidied up and has been reseeded.

A sub-committee was agreed. The constitution of which will include the following members:

- Cllr Cope
- Cllr Muxlow
- Cllr Bellinger

RESOLVED

77 FINANCIAL MATTERS

Authorisation of Payments

RESOLVED: That the following payment be approved:

£58.80	HMRC – Tax on Clerk’s Salary (P Coterill)
£99.24	Clerk Salary
£24.60	HMRC – Tax on Clerk’s Salary (A Miller)

78 PLANNING MATTERS

The following planning applications were considered by the Parish Council and the relevant responses recorded as per the table below. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to action relevant responses on CE Planning Portal.

Reference	Address	Type	Proposal	Date Registered	Last Date for Comments	Parish Council Response
23/4804N	Land off Longhill lane, Land off Longhill Lane, Longhill Lane, Hankelow, Audlem, CW3 0JQ	Full Planning	There is an existing agricultural steel portal frame building on this site, used for storage of hay, straw, wrapped silage, and machinery, but not sufficiently large for the farm business requirements. This proposal is to extend the building to provide more storage space and improve the long-term profitability and resilience of the farming business	23/01/2024	01/03/2024	No Comment
24/0713N	Mulberry Cottage, Audlem Road,	Householder	Reforming of existing conservatory into a solid roof	23/02/2024	24/03/2024	No objection

	Hankelow, CW3 0JE		extension, including internal alterations.			
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**79 WHITE LION COMMUNITY PUB LIMITED – DRAIN**

The following points regarding The White Lion Community Pub Limited were discussed at the Parish Council meeting:

- The Parish Council had previously written to the Directors regarding the operational issues with the drain including waste that had entered the pond, but has, not as yet, received a response to the two letters.
- Regarding contaminated water, it was determined that only storm water should be able to enter the pond, however, on one occasion waste water containing cleaning fluids had entered the pond. The Parish Council continue to test the water quality and this is being regularly monitored.

**80 REPORT FROM CHESHIRE EAST BOROUGH COUNCILLOR**

Cllr Bailey reported the following to the Hankelow Parish Council:

- The state of roads and lack of road sweeping had been raised with Cheshire East.
- Reported concerns over speeding and recognised that speed limit signs are being obscured due to vegetation. **ACTION:** Parish Council to replace the battery in the speed monitor.
- Encouraged the Parish Council to participate in the Cheshire East Corporate Peer Review
- To be aware that fly tipping may increase in the area due to the closing of some Household Recycling Centres.

**81 MEMBERS REPORTS TO RAISE TO COUNCIL**

- Cllr Foster announced that she would be stepping down as Chair at the next meeting.
- Cllr Muxlow stated that he would be replacing the map that is displayed in the Noticeboard this week.

**82 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024  
Hankelow Chapel, 11 Old School Lane, Hankelow, CW3 0JN

The meeting closed at 8.37pm

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Chair