Hemington, Hardington
& Foxcote Parish Council

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**M I N U T E S**

**Of Hemington, Hardington & Foxcote Parish Council (Annual Council)**

**Held on Wednesday 11th June 7.30pm at Faulkland Village Hall**

**Present:** Cllrs Biggerstaff, Green Cross, Buckwell and Francis

**Also Present:** J Gregory Proper Officer plus 2 Members of the public

 **Public Participation**

Matters raised;

Thanks expressed to the temporary grasscutting men of the Council.

**25/26 012 Welcome and apologies for absence**

Cllr Hanle advised work commitments as his apologies for absence. Somerset Cllr Clarke had another parish meeting subject to Planning Inspectorate.

**Resolved: Apologies accepted and duly noted.**

**Public Participation**

Matters raised;

Thanks expressed to the temporary grasscutting men of the Council.

Enquiries were made of a further litter pick. It was hoped to run this twice a year and would look at the end of September. A suggestion was made that it was tied in with bulb planting!

Progress with the pond gates had slowed however Amy Green was in conversation with Charlton’s regarding possibilities and would keep Council updated.

**25/26 013 Declarations of Interest**

**Resolved: No declarations advised for tonight’s meeting.**

**25/26 014 Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

 To receive the minutes of the meeting held 14th May 2025

**Resolved: Minutes of the previous meeting was signed by the Chairman as a correct record in the presence of the Proper Officer and meeting attendees noting Cllr Green was in attendance**

**25/26 015 Report from Somerset Councillor B Clarke**

Written report duly noted in Cllr Clarke’s absence.

**25/26 016 Matters Arising from Previous Meeting**

* + 1. A366 TAG Group

A meeting was arranged for next week to cover off the draft response to MP Anna Sabine. More recording of speeds would be taking place however at a different location to previous.

* + 1. CSW/ASW

Grant Monies were still being chased by the Clerk and P Buckwell had found a further contact which he was progressing called Rachael Callow. The Clerk felt that she had tried this and received a bounce back but would investigate. However on a positive it was noted that contact with others had advised if the grant was agreed it would be paid.

iii) SID Locations

 Provide to Traffic and chased as there was no response.

iv) Telephone Box

 The Clerk had contacted Tony Hucker regarding repairs and painting. He offered no timeline so after discussion it was agreed to look at other possibilities, noting that NSP had recently had some phone box painting completed. Cllr Biggerstaff would enquire with Val Fox.

v) Noticeboards

 Vince Curtis had been contacted and he said he would measure up for polycarbonate windows.

vi) Playfield and Green Grasscutting

 LSJ Gardening and Trug and Lettuce along with Somerset Council contractors had been contacted for quotations. LSJ had provided a figure and some details (Full written quote awaited). Much discussion had and Council would await atleast one other before deciding

vii) Bin in layby – Reported to Idverde however Council advised there was a bin. Residents advised that the bin on the green had been emptied but contractor / persons were unknown.

 **25/26 017 Planning Matters for Consideration**

To consider the following planning applications:

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2025/0917 2 Holly Bank Green Parlour Road

Convert Existing Double Garage, ancillary annexe

2025/0883 Pillar Lane

Installation of Silage Clamp – Notification Only

2025/0955 Pillar Lane

Agricultural farm Track – Notification Only

**Resolved: No objection to 2025/0917 2 Holly Bank and 2025/0883 and 0955 no action required**

**25/26 018 Finances**

1. Balance on accounts as at the 31.05.25 £42802.66
2. To agree schedule of payments as indicated below:

J Gregory Salary & Expenses £262.99 (net)

HMRC PAYE Liability £ 58.00

Clear Insurance Insurance Renewal £497.67

**25/26 019 Other business Referred to the Clerk**

For information the ACV on the Faulkland Inn had been accepted and a letter from Somerset Council advised that it would be placed on the register for 5 years from today’s date.

Cllr Cross advised a BBQ on the green required approval from the Council. This was a Village Hall venture to raise funds.

**Resolved: Agreed unanimously by all members.**

Works to the hall roof would commence 14th July but this would not impact the next Council meeting.

Cllr Green stated 2 residents at Turners Tower remarked on the speed at their end of the village.

Trees on the green would need to be lifted. The Clerk would enquire if there was a TPO the trees concerned was an Oak and a Copper Beech

**25/26 020 Matters for consideration at the Next Meeting.**

**25/26 021 Date of the next Meeting**

## 9th July 2025

 Clerk annual leave 13th – 20th June

 Clerk Jury Service starting 23rd June

Attendees were thanked for their contribution and attendance.

Meeting closed 8.10pm

A signed copy of the minutes can be viewed by arrangement via the Parish Clerk.