

**PRESTON CAPES PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD AT 7.45PM ON
TUESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2016 IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

PRESENT: Parish Councillors: D Hughes (Chairman), B Dearn, D Cox, S Delacoe,
S Maddison, R Mansfield
Clerk: S Foster
Others: District Councillor B Patchett, No members of the public

1. Administration

- 1.1 To receive and approve apologies for absence
D Jones – working away.
- 1.2 To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda
Cllr Hughes declared an interest in item 5.1 (Planning application DA/2016/0944).
Cllr Delacoe declared an interest in item 9.3 (Cheques 423 and 424).
- 1.3 To consider any dispensation requests
None.
- 1.4 To approve the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 18th October 2016
Minutes had been circulated. No amendments were made. Minutes were proposed as a true record by Cllr Maddison, seconded by Cllr Dearn. All in favour. Carried.

2. Regulatory Matters

None.

3. Matters arising from previous minutes (for information only)

None.

4. Public Time

District Councillor Patchett gave his apologies for the December meeting.

5. Planning

- 5.1 To consider applications received
Cllr Dearn took the chair.

Application No	Description of Development	Location of Development	Comment
DA/2016/0944 + DA/2016/0945	Listed Building Consent and permission for alterations to building – internal and external	The Old Rectory, Preston Capes NN11 3E	Support with added condition that materials used are in keeping with the current buildings and surrounding area. Proposed by Cllr Dearn, seconded by Cllr Maddison. 1 abstained. Carried.

Cllr Hughes returned to the chair.

- 5.2 To report decisions received

Application No	Description of Development	Location of Development	Decision
None			

- 5.3 Other planning matters (For report only)
Nothing to report.

6. Highways and Footpath matters

To include:

- 6.1 Highways representative's report
Cllr Hughes reported that he had met with an NCC engineer at the junction of the water tower to discuss possible alterations to the junction to avoid further fatalities. However, statistics show that there has only been one collision involving injury since 1999 and the recent fatality was not caused by the sight line of the junction. It was noted that any change in priority is likely to cause more accidents. There would also be a cost implication on altering priority which NCC would be unable to bear. Cllr Hughes was thanked for dealing with the matter.

Cllr Hughes noted that a gateway which had appeared into a field on the Preston Capes to Little Preston road was actually the re-opening of an overgrown gateway to allow access.

- 6.2 Lack of maintenance of hedgerows
Cllr Hughes has reported the overgrown hedgerows.
- 6.3 Consideration of request to reconsider membership of CPRE
The matter was discussed and it was agreed that the Parish Council would not take up membership.
- 6.4 Concern over fly-tipping
Following three recent incidents of fly-tipping in the area, it was noted that DDC are responsible for removal. There is an online reporting system which should be publicised through the Parish Council website and Facebook page.

7. Tree Warden's Report

To include:

- 7.1 Consideration of works to holly trees on The Square
Works will take place on 3rd December 2016.
- 7.2 Report on removal of trees at Orchard House, Old Forge Lane under 5 day notice
It was noted that the large horse chestnut which had been felled had been completely rotten and was in imminent danger of falling. The resident has been advised to replace with a hornbeam or sweet chestnut.

8. Update from Neighbourhood Watch/Police

Cllr Mansfield had contacted police with regards to hare coursing in local fields.

9. Finance

- 9.1 To note income received
£ 0.06 Interest

- 9.2 To note bank balances as at 31.10.16
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| Lloyds Bank Treasurer's Account | £3,129.25 | |
| Lloyds Bank Business Account | <u>£1,527.26</u> | |
| | £4,656.51 | |
| Payments yet to clear | £ 224.00 | |
| Total funds available | | <u>£4,432.51</u> |

- 9.3 To approve payments

Details	Amount (£)	+ VAT (£)	Cheque Total (£)	Payee	Authority	Cheque no
Clerk's salary – Oct	147.72	0.00	173.37	S Foster	LGA 1972 s112	422
Clerk's expenses – Oct	25.65	0.00			LGA 1972 s112	
Village hall rent	40.25	0.00	40.25	Village Hall	LGA 1972 s112	423
Litter pick expenses	33.00	0.00	33.00	Village Hall	LGA 1972 s112	424

Proposal: To approve payment of the above cheques.

Proposed by Cllr Dearn, seconded by Cllr Maddison. All in favour. Carried.

- 9.4 To receive first draft of 2017/2018 budget
Following a working party consisting of Cllrs Hughes, Cox, Dearn and the Clerk, a draft had been circulated. The working party advised a need to build up a reserve over the next few years. No queries were raised.
Proposal: To agree the attached budget and to place a percept demand on Daventry District Council for £4,617.
Proposed by Cllr Dearn, seconded by Cllr Cox. All in favour. Carried.

10. Consultations

- 10.1 NCC – Prioritisation Framework and Process (Closes 22.11.16)
No comment to be made.
- 10.2 Police and Crime Commissioner – Police and Crime Plan Consultation (Closes end November)
No comment to be made.

11. Correspondence Received

11.1	NCALC – AGM/Director Vacancy/Walgrave/Precepts (Emailed 19.10.16)	Noted
11.2	DDC/ACRE – Good Neighbour Schemes (Emailed 02.11.16)	Noted
11.3	DDC/BT – Proposals to remove telephone boxes (Emailed 02.11.16)	<i>Proposal: To purchase the telephone box at a cost of £1. Proposed by Cllr Cox, seconded by Cllr Dearn. All in favour. Carred.</i>
11.4	Police – Invitation to take part in Community Speedwatch 2017 (Emailed 02.11.16)	Agreed
11.5	NCALC – Friday Round Up (Emailed 02.11.16)	Noted
11.6	NCALC – Response to Government and 3 Vacancies (Emailed 09.11.16)	Noted
11.7	DDC – Rough Sleepers Estimate 2016 (Emailed 09.11.16)	Nil
11.8	DDC – Invitation to Parish & Town Councils' Meeting on 15.12.16 (Emailed 09.11.16)	Cllrs Hughes and Dearn to attend
11.9	DDC – A Planning Guide for Parish and Town Councils (Emailed 09.11.16)	Noted

12. Matters not covered on the agenda above

- 12.1 To report on first aid training arrangements
Deferred to February meeting.

13. New matters requested for next agenda

- 13.1 To consider dog pooch issue within the village
It was noted that Cllr Cox has been marking areas in Preston Capes. There is now an issue in Little Preston. The Clerk will obtain a second cannister as well as a number of A5 signs from DDC.
- 13.2 To arrange 2017 Spring litter pick
It was agreed that the litter pick will take place on Sunday 19th March 2017, starting at 9.30am with bacon butties being served. Publicity should be published nearer the time in order to encourage younger members of the community to get involved.
- 13.3 To confirm dates for 2017 meetings
21st February, 21st March, 18th April, 16th May, 13th June, 18th July, 19th September, 17th October, 21st November, 19th December
It should be noted that the June meeting is bought forward by one week to accommodate the Clerk.
Annual Village Meeting – Thursday 18th May

14. Diary dates for 2016

Parish Council Meetings: 20th December.
Village Hall Lunchtime Bar 1st Sunday of each month
Village Hall Evening Bar 2nd Friday of each month

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.50pm

Signed Date