



Helsby Parish Council

Minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of Helsby Parish Council held on Monday 7th August 2023 at 6.45pm in the parish office at Helsby Community Sports Club.

Present:

Cllr. Mike Branigan – Chair
Cllr. Margaret Marsh

Cllr. Sarah Temple
Cllr. Rob Nicklin

Cllr. Terry O’Neill
Cllr. Chris Ellams

Claire Jones, Parish Clerk

1. Public Participation. No matters were brought to the Council’s attention.
2. Apologies for absence were noted from Cllrs. Duffy, Stothard, Atkinson, Gardner and Foreman.
3. No pecuniary or prejudicial declarations of interest were made. Cllrs. Temple, O’Neill, Ellams and Marsh declared personal interests as they were involved in the editing and distribution of Helsby News.
4. Members considered a report from the editor of Helsby News requesting a payment of £246 to the layout designer of Helsby News for each edition of the newsletter. It was noted that the designer had kindly volunteered her services for many years but had given notice to seek paid work. Given that a search to provide a replacement volunteer had proved fruitless and that setting up a commercial contract was not feasible within the available timeframe (and would likely be more costly), it was **RESOLVED to approve 2 payments of £246 to the layout designer for the Autumn and Christmas editions of the newsletter – EHPC03/23**. It was agreed that any further payments and the future of Helsby News in general would be considered at the next Full Council meeting in September.
5. Members considered a response to planning application 23/02034/FUL (88 Robin Hood Lane, Helsby). It was **RESOLVED to respond ‘no objections’ – EHPC04/23**.
6. Urgent matters – no matters were raised.
7. Date of the next Council meeting – 11th September 2023.

The meeting closed at 7pm.

Chairman’s signature.....

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