

Hebden Parish Council Minutes of the AGM held Wednesday 30th April 2025 at approx. 8.05pm after the Resident's AGM in Ibbotson Institute

Present: Cllr Joy, Cllr Sykes, Cllr Wilson, ,Cllr Ferguson,
Apologies: Cllr Davey
Election of a Chairman

Cllr Joy proposed Cllr Sykes and Cllr Wilson seconded. Cllr Sykes accepted this post for the coming year.

Minutes of the Meeting of 12th March 2025 which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and approved.

Matters Arising:

Toilet Update:

Further to the comments already made in the Elector's AGM and the difficulty getting a local builder to quote, Cllr Sykes had contacted Andrew Hawkins who said he'd give a quote but, so far he has not done this. He was so busy he said he couldn't start this year. Cllr Sykes will contact J & S in Grassington and Chris Slater in Threshfield.

VAS meeting:

After meeting Darren Griffiths from NYC it was agreed to ask Highways for 2 40mph signs and 4 SLOW ones to be painted on the B6265. The money from Cllr Foster will be used for this. Also to repaint the white line outside the Playground that HPC paid for in the past.

Interpretation board:

Paul Bishop from YDNPA has nearly finished making this board. It is 1040mm x 600mm with wording space of 1000mm x 560mm. He needs to know the thickness of the backing. It was decided 18mm as per marine ply. The font size should be 12/14 and when written there will be help with the design. Under Natural History the Beck project, swift boxes and orchard should be noted. For the Cultural history lead mining will be included with a link to John Gardener's history website. QR codes can give further information. For the visual art work Cllr Ferguson will ask his wife, Jan, if she would be willing to do this if given note what we want. It is to be located near the split sycamore by the side of the PROW down towards the beck.

Replacing bollards up the gill:

The Council has rejected plastic ones Highways would erect. A low level fence of wooden supports with a link between is now being considered. The posts could be from Hartlington Fencing. Little reflectors could possibly be attached. "Fliss" (Philip Parker) will be asked to look at this work and give us a quote.

Road Safety:

The money from Cllr Foster will be used for the road white line painting as agreed with him. NYC will need to be informed of this change.

Correspondence; None

Accounts

Bank statement c/a@ 07/03/25	£ 1,897.18
Bank statement s/a@ 07/03/25	£ 13,220.15

Beck balance £1755 Orchard balance £3132 Swift balance £59

VAS balance £1330 (but to be re-allocated to road line painting)

Money received

Money from Cllr Foster	£1330.00
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Mrs Pope still owes £120 in rent for Allen Garth. Cllr Sykes said he'd call and speak to her.

Payments for approval

Stuart Naylor clearing playground £50 VAT £10	£60.00
YLCA annual subs	£149.00
Reimburse S Ely for flower plugs-meadow	£207.98

From Beck grant

An invoice for "Footway Lighting 2024-2025" for £194.41 had been received. The Clerk is to query this as it is quite a bit less than last year's. She was waiting for a phone call from NYC.

Any other matters

The Cllrs were given the Year End Summary and it was agreed and signed. The AGAR Exemption form was signed as the income is less than £25,000 and this will be posted to PJK, the external auditor. The other AGAR forms record the Summary figures and list the internal controls in the Governance Statement that was signed.

Mrs Isaac has agreed to be our internal auditor again so all necessary forms and paper work will be given to her shortly.

Any further comments

The Clerk asked that the wild flower plugs be watered in the meadow. Cllr Sykes and Cllr Wilson said they would do this as the Clerk was going on holiday the next day.

Date of next meeting

Monday 16th June at 7.30 in the Institute.

