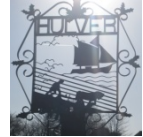




# Henstead with Hulver Street PARISH COUNCIL



## **Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting**

held at Hulver Village Hall  
on Wednesday 7th June 2023  
Commencing at 7.00pm

### **1/23/APM Present**

Cllrs J Armstrong (Chair), J Facer, D Hadingham, Angela Colbridge (Clerk); SCC Cllr Ladd, ESC Cllr Ashton; Two residents.

### **2/23/APM Apologies for absence**

Cllr P Block

### **3/23/APM Minutes of the APM Monday 23rd May 2022**

It was agreed that the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of 8th June 2022 were a true record.

**Proposed by D Hadingham, Seconded by J Facer**

### **4/23/APM Parish Council Accounts**

The Clerk provided a short summary of the accounts for 2022/2023, with a balance of £13,163.52 as of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023.

### **5/23/APM Chair's Report**

The Chair, Cllr Armstrong, gave a short report. It has been a reasonable year. The Parish Council appointed a new clerk in February and she is settling in well.

### **6/23/APM Village Hall Committee Report**

Paula Block provided a report for the Village Hall Committee. All is well with the hall. It is used regularly by lots of different people. Alison manages the bookings. We have a very good committee from both ends of the villages and it ticks along well. The treasurer from the Village Hall Committee added that the books ended on £27,792.00 and that the hall looks after itself. There has been no AGM since 2017. The accounts are currently still with the accountant. It is hoped that an AGM will be set within the next month or so.

### **7/23/APM Harry Branden Gift - Henstead Parish Charity Trust**

Lesley Spillings, Trustee, provided a report for the Trust. The Trust today is a combination of two:

1. The Poor' Allotment dated 1799, which consists of 14 acres situated on the South side of Sotterley Rd, the rents of which were to pay for coals for the poor of Henstead as compensation for the loss of their common grazing and other rights, the land today is rented to Moat Farm, Wrentham.

And

2. The Henry Branden Gift which dates back to Henry Branden's will of 1599 when a parcel of land in Rushmere 1.5 acres, was left to the village, the rent of which was to go to the poor of Henstead and for repairs to the churches of Henstead and Rushmere, this land is today rented to the owners of Copper Beech House Rushmere.

Rents received today are distributed between the retired residents (over 66's), one per family of Henstead with Hulver and the Churches of Henstead and Rushmere.

Finance 2022-2023

Balance brought forward from 31st March 2022	377.91
Rents received	<u>1075.00</u>
	<u>1452.91</u>

Distributions  
24 @ £ 50.00 1200.00  
Balance as at 31st March 2023  
Bank

252.91

**8/23/APM Residents questions and comments**

A resident raised the subject of the area known as The Church Surround, after receiving an email from a councillor concerning the area. A discussion was held on the original raising of funds, purchase, ownership, former trustees and current trustee of the land. Cllr Facer is in the process of searching for confirmation of ownership of the land with the Land Registry. Cllr Facer thanked the resident for the information provided.

A resident expressed that there was some community disappointment that no Coronation Mugs had been distributed to the children in the village.

**The meeting closed at 7.31pm.**