



**Minutes of the Meeting of Handforth Parish Council held on  
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2016 at 7:30pm, The Youth Centre,  
Old Road, Handforth.**

Present: Cllr Burgess, Cllr Clark, Cllr Samson (Chair of Handforth Parish Council), Cllr Smith, Cllr Sullivan, Cllr Thompson & Cllr Tolver

Also present Mr Comiskey Dawson, Parish Clerk  
Eleven members of the public.  
One representative of the press.

16/35/1 To receive apologies for absence.

None.

16/35/2 To note Declarations of interest and requests for dispensation to discuss, or discuss and vote on a matter in which a Member or co-opted Member has a Disclosable Pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest (DPI).

None Received.

16/35/3 Open Forum-

A resident noted their thanks to the parish council for their work on the village Christmas lights this year.

A resident enquired about item 16/33/10 from the November 8<sup>th</sup> Minutes. The chair noted it had been deferred under standing order 11.

16/35/4 To approve and sign the minutes of the HPC Council meeting of the 11<sup>th</sup> October 2016.

Cllr Smith Proposed, seconded by Cllr Sullivan that the minutes of the meeting of 11<sup>th</sup> October 2016 be approved and signed. Amending a line under item 16/29/4 and the recorded vote under 16/29/4 (to reflect no. of councillors present at the meeting)

Chair.....Date.....

**Motion Carried: Six for and one abstention.**

16/35/5 To approve and sign the minutes of the HPC Extra Ordinary council meeting of the 02<sup>nd</sup> November 2016.  
Cllr Tolver proposed, seconded by Cllr Thompson to amend part of the P.C.S.O's reply under item 16/31/2.

**Motion failed: Two for, Three against and Two abstentions.**

Cllr Smith proposed, seconded by Cllr Burgess that the minutes of the meeting of 02<sup>nd</sup> November 2016 be approved and signed. Amending form of words under item 16/31/2.

**Motion carried: Five for, one against and one abstention.**

16/35/6 To approve and sign the minutes of the HPC Council meeting of the 08<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

Cllr Sullivan proposed, seconded by Cllr Smith that the minutes of the meeting of 08<sup>th</sup> November 2016 be approved and signed.

**Motion carried: Five for, and two abstentions.**

16/35/7 To approve and sign the accounts for payment.

Cllr Clark proposed, seconded by Cllr Tolver that the accounts be approved and signed.

**Resolved: Unanimously.**

16/35/8 Report from the Clerk

The clerks report was received by all councillors.

16/35/9 MOTION: To discuss and agree the adoption of the revised Hampers of Hope foodbank, and Job Club Policy.

Cllr Smith suggested an addition to the last paragraph, whereby Hampers of Hope are to advise HPC in their reports more specifically how many people gained and retained employment through the job club, and also how many food hampers were being issued each month.

Cllr Smith proposed, seconded by Cllr Samson that the Hampers of Hope foodbank and Job Club Policy be adopted by Handforth Parish Council.

**Resolved: Unanimously.**

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16/35/10 MOTION: To receive a request for donations from the Hampers of Hope group and agree items which HPC are willing to fund for the remainder of the current financial year 16/17.

Cllr Smith proposed, seconded by Cllr Burgess that this item be looked at firstly by the Hampers of Hope working group, before bringing recommendations back to full council for final ratification.

**Resolved: Unanimously.**

16/35/11 MOTION: To receive a request for donations from the Hampers of Hope group and agree items which HPC are willing to fund for the next financial year 17/18.

Cllr Smith proposed, seconded by Cllr Sullivan that this item be looked at firstly by the Hampers of Hope working group, before bringing recommendations back to full council for final ratification.

**Resolved: Unanimously.**

16/35/12 MOTION: To consider writing to the auditors (BDO) to request an explanation on a number of points regarding the 15/16 accounts raised by Cllr Thompson.

Cllr Samson proposed, seconded by Cllr Thompson to contact the councils' auditors with a note to say the accounts had been given a clean bill of health, however, the council would like to clarify a number of points; and was aware of the cost implication of doing this.

**Motion carried: Five for and two against.**

16/35/13 MOTION: To receive a letter written to Cllr Tolver from his Solicitor.

Letter circulated to all councillors both electronically and with agenda packs.

16/35/14 Notices and Correspondence.

A Handforth Community group have sent a letter of thanks to HPC for their work on the village Christmas lights this year.

The meeting closed at 9:09 pm.

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