

HALE PARISH COUNCIL

OF THE HALTON BOROUGH IN THE COUNTY OF CHESHIRE



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HALE PARISH COUNCIL ACTING AS SOLE TRUSTEE OF HALE VILLAGE HALL HELD ON TUESDAY 14th JULY 2025 AT 9.00pm IN HALE VILLAGE HALL

Present: Cllr Wright, Cllr Lewis, Cllr J McNamara, Cllr Roberts, Cllr Healey, Cllr C Anderson

In attendance: Mr. Brian Hargreaves (Proper Officer) & 1 Member of the Public

- **1. Apologies** Apologies were received from Cllr Cleary, Cllr Trevaskis, Cllr Hutchinson No apologies were received from Cllr Williams
- 2. Declarations of Interest No declarations of interest were received
- **3.** Public Participation No Matters were discussed
- **4. Minutes** With minor amendments the Draft minutes of the Hale Village Hall Management Committee Ordinary meeting on 13th May 2025 were approved and accepted as a true and accurate account.

Proposed by Cllr Lewis and seconded by Cllr J McNamara

The Motion was approved

5. Disabled Access for the Village Hall - It was resolved to defer this matter until the September meeting so comparable estimates can be acquired. Also to explore possible funding streams for the project

Proposed by Cllr M Roberts and seconded by Cllr J McNamara

The Motion was approved unanimously

6. Health & Safety – It was agreed that the Clerk will contact Worknest to arrange a meeting to discuss any outstanding issues on the annual audit and clarify any HR issues identified by the report

Proposed by Cllr J McNamara and seconded by Cllr G Wright

The Motion was approved unanimously

7. Trust Deed – It was resolved to accept the draft resolution provided by Louise Beaton and to arrange for the Trust Deed to be updated as per the amendment supplied. The Clerk will confirm the change with the Charity Commission pending acceptance by them as required.

Proposed by Cllr C Anderson and seconded by Cllr J McNamara

The Motion was approved

8. Solar Panels – It was resolved to inform the contractor employed to carry out the work to re-commission the solar panels as is. Once the system is working properly a decision regarding the moving of the panels for better savings can be considered. The Clerk will ask the contractors to proceed without the additional changes proposed to the array.

Proposed by Cllr J McNamara and seconded by Cllr M Roberts

The Motion was approved

9. CCTV Maintenance & Alarm – It was agreed that a full service and update is not required for the existing system and that a basic clean & adjust will suffice. It was agreed that the estimated cost of £199 is excessive for simple maintenance.

Proposed by Cllr J McNamara and seconded by Cllr M Roberts

The Motion was approved

10. Emergency Planning – Potential Rest Centre Location – It was resolved that Hale Village Hall can be included on Halton's list of available sites for use as a shelter for displaced residents during a major incident.

Proposed by Cllr J McNamara and seconded by Cllr P Lewis

The Motion was approved

The Chair closed the meeting at 9.25pm