

# Huntington Parish Council

**General Meeting 29th January 2024**

**7.30pm Huntington village Hall**

## Minutes

**Present:** Mr BH James, Mr G Jones, Mr G Steel and Mr MA Lloyd

**Minutes** of the previous meeting held on 11th July 2023 were read and approved, proposed by Mr B James seconded by Mr G Jones and carried.

### **Matters arising:**

The Parish Council had been informed by Herefordshire Council that the two Haygrove Planning Applications had been turned down, and that they have six months to appeal.

### **Parish Council Website**

Mr Lloyd informed councillors that the Parish Council's website provider had notified them that the website, along with approximately 30 other parish council websites had been corrupted. Despite Upper Bridge Enterprises best efforts to fix the issue Roger Withnell states that the Parish Council's only option is to have the website rebuilt. However, Roger has contracted pancreatic cancer and will not be able to rebuild the site. He has recommended that the Parish Council contact Wyehost Limited who will be able to rebuild a new site and get it up and running quickly.

Mr Lloyd had obtained a quotation from Wyehost Limited - web design service £250.00 plus VAT, annual hosting service £175.00 plus VAT.

Mr G Steel proposed that Mr Lloyd instruct Wyehost Limited to design and host the web site, seconded by Mr BH James and carried.

### **Parish Precept**

Mr Lloyd advised councillors that the budgeted costs for the Parish Council for the forthcoming year would total £1300.40: - Hall Hire £50.00, Insurance £247.40, Clerks fee £100.00, Bank charges £103.00, Election costs £120.00, rebuild website £510.00, web hosting £170.00. The Precept for 2023/24 was £750.00, if the precept remained at this figure for 2024/2025 this would result in a deficit of £450.40 for the year.

The Parish Council's reserve currently stands at approximately £1500.00.

After discussion Mr James proposed that the Precept remain the same as last year at £750.00 and the deficit should be taken out of reserves, seconded by Mr G Jones and carried unanimously.

Cheques were signed for:- Village hall hire £45.00, clerks fee £80.00, PAYE £20.00, Wyehost Limited £510.00, Upper Bridge Enterprises £173.76.

Mr G Steel proposed that the clerks fee should be increased to £150.00 p.a., seconded by Mr BH James and carried.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.25pm.

B. H. James 11/3/2024