

# HASFIELD PARISH MEETING

Held at Hasfield Court on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 7.00pm

## MINUTES

1. Welcome to 16 attendees including 2 new Parish Clerks and 2 new Footpath Wardens.
2. Minutes of Parish Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2022 read and accepted.
3. Treasurer's Report: Current Balance is £4449 – After known fixed costs for this financial year including the approved increased churchyard maintenance @ £800, the funds available are £4000. Precept for this year is £1475 which shows an increase of 3.2%, but there is no increase in the actual council tax due.
4. Chair's Report: All were saddened by the report that Duncan Hodgson and Duncan Clegg had passed away, and also that Olga James, a retired nurse and longstanding supporter of Hasfield Church had also passed.
5. Reports from: (a) Borough Councillor Paul McClain – a lengthy report on various issues was circulated to all attendees. (b) Police Report - Some offences had been reported but it was discovered that if there were any figures for Hasfield, they were included in total for Ashleworth. (c) Flood/Snow Warden – Flooding after continuous heavy rain was widespread in our area, with Haw Bridge and A417 between Maisemore and Over badly affected. (d) Footpath Wardens Bob Davidge and Paul Bailey took on this responsibility in November '22 and as yet have not walked the paths due to the wintry weather. However they have contacted Suzanne Hope at Glos.C.C. to obtain maps of all the footpaths in order for them to do so when weather permits. (e) Jubilee Wood – It was previously thought that more trees would be needed to replace those lost. However Trudy Warner stated that one area that is looking bare is because of Black Poplar which grows there like weeds. She suggested just leaving the grass to grow long there. She will organise a volunteer work party to do some maintenance in the future. (f) Layby in Lower Hasfield: After the burst water main, and the mess it made of the layby, it was decided some hardcore was needed to reinstate it. (g) Grit Bins: Bins in Upper Hasfield had not been filled – In the snow/ice before Christmas, Trudy Warner had to get some grit from bins in Lower Hasfield. Council say 'Limited Resources', so may have to buy. Doug Miles and Martin Hope contacting council for news of deliveries.
6. Planning Applications: No.22/01352 – Proposed erection of stables in place of previously demolished at Four Acres, Wickridge St. Ashleworth - No Objections.
7. Info from TBC and GCC – Hasfield Road Closure 24-26/04/23 to allow hydrant work for Severn Trent.
8. Any Other Business: Drapers Lane Triangle – The grass triangle at the end of Drapers Lane was churned up two nights in a row in December by vandals in a car. They were chased off thankfully by a neighbour. Suggestions were put forward to deter such acts e.g. bunting, tree guards – Parish funds would be available for these.

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Coronation Celebrations: 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> May 2023 – Await more official info – It was suggested a Village Event be held sometime over that weekend – Picnic, Beacon or both.

Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme – Two of our Secondary School pupils, John Graham and Ellen Hope are Volunteering as part of the training for their Bronze Award. An email will be sent out advertising their volunteering – they are open to all sorts of jobs.

Email addresses: The current list of names and addresses is not up to date and needs a review – it was suggested that John and Ellen could deliver letters to all households to ask if the occupiers wanted to be included in the new list.

Noticeboards: Will be left unlocked in order for all to put notices in – Key will be left in Lower Hasfield noticeboard, on a chain?

It was also noted:

- (a) There was an increased amount of dog excrement by the Old Rectory - Suggestions were put forward on how to deal with this, but nothing was agreed on.
- (b) There were a number of Elm Trees in the Lane covered by Ivy.
- (c) Speeding through the Village – Suggestions were put forward on how to deal with this, but nothing was agreed on.