

# HOAR CROSS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025  
at The Deer Park, Maker Lane, Hoar Cross

Present: Cllr Mrs Smith, Cllr Mrs Baxter, Cllr Mrs Prince, Cllr Mrs Patterson, Cllr Marsden  
Miss E Goodwin (Parish Clerk), Jamie Richards

Cllr Mrs Smith welcomed everyone to the Meeting.

## 1 Public Participation

Nothing to report.

## 2 Apologies

Apologies were received from Borough Cllrs George and Jones, PCSO Leathers.

## 3 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Marsden is waiting the hear about the Planning Application for Primrose Cottage, Newchurch Road.

## 4 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2025

The Minutes were signed as a true representation of the Meeting.

## 5 Matters arising not covered on the Agenda

Cllr Mrs Baxter proposed Cllr Mrs Patterson as Cllr responsible for roads; seconded by Cllr Mrs Prince; carried.

## 6 Jamie Richards, AED

Jamie explained how he had started AED eleven years ago and they now have 7,000 defibrillators in place. AED will Fund, Install, Register, Maintain the defibrillator; the defibrillator is in a polycarbonate cabinet with a fused spur; the company offers face to face and Zoom training; the defibrillator is deployed 24 hours a day, 365 days of the year. The cabinet can be permanently lit; the electricity costs are about £11.00 pa. The defibrillator is portable and can be taken to the patient within a 500m radius. It was agreed to purchase the defibrillator costing £1799, plus £99 pa running costs; the box needs to be checked once a week. Jamie will send information about fund raising.

Cllr Mrs Smith is waiting to hear from The Meynell about putting a defibrillator on one of their walls.

## 7 Representative from Staffordshire Police

The Representative did not attend the Meeting.

## 8 Planning – Cllr Mrs Baxter

| Planning Number              | Date       | Premises                            | Planning requested                       | Council Actions | Decision |
|------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| <b>Applications Received</b> |            |                                     |                                          |                 |          |
| P/2025/00242                 | 21/05/2025 | Primrose Cottage, Newchurch Road    | Erection of single storey side extension | No objections   |          |
| <b>Applications Approved</b> |            |                                     |                                          |                 |          |
| P/2025/00238                 | 11/04/2025 | Lavender Cottage, St Michaels Drive | Erection of a New Porch                  |                 | Approved |

| Other Planning Matters |            |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                   |  |
|------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| P/2023/00416           | 21/08/2023 | Abbots Bromley School for Girls      | Partial demolition of the former Abbots Bromley School Buildings, conversion and extension of the remaining school buildings to form 60 dwellings, erection of 58 dwellings and a detached Community Store                     | For information<br><br>AMENDED PLANS submitted 03/03/2025                         |  |
| P/2023/00417           | 21/08/2023 | Abbots Bromley School for Girls      | Listed Building Consent for the partial demolition of the former Abbots Bromley School Buildings, internal and external alterations to facilitate the conversion and extension of the remaining buildings to form 60 dwellings | For information<br><br>AMENDED PLANS submitted 03/03/2025                         |  |
| P/2025/00040           | 14/02/2025 | Blacksmiths Cottage, Newborough Road | Change of use and external alterations to existing detached garage to form a holiday let                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                   |  |
| P/2025/00224           | 10/04/2025 | The Firs, Dolesfoot Lane             | Demolition of existing garage to facilitate the erection of single storey outbuilding, comprising of garage, storage and workshop with carport                                                                                 | No objections; Cllr Mrs Baxter has confirmed the Parish Council has no objections |  |

## 9 Parish Councillors Reports

- Highways – Cllr Mrs Patterson commented that the shallow potholes on Brakenhurst Hill are probably not big enough to be filled yet. Cllr Marsden has collected a number of signs left from when roadworks have been done, and he will arrange for them to be collected.
- Environment – Cllr Mrs Prince had nothing to report.
- Footpaths – Cllr Marsden had encountered a herd of buffaloes on the footpath in a field towards Hamstall Ridware; the Clerk was asked to contact Hamstall Ridware Parish Council

## 10 County Councillor Brown's Report

Cllr Brown had emailed to say she had met Cllr George and Phil Murphy, Managing Director at Hoar Cross Hall to discuss the 'Maker Lane' sign outside the Hall; footpath maintenance between the Hall and the Church (she will discuss it with Highways); water damage to the Hall wall on Maker Lane (she will ask Highways if the gulleys are on their maintenance schedule); people speeding as they leave the Hall – the Hall have agreed to put up a sign reminding people to drive slowly and carefully when they leave.

## 11 Borough Councillors Report

No report received.

## 12 PCSO Leathers/PCSO Siwek's Report

PCSO Leathers had emailed to say he is now covering the area, along with PCSO Siwek.

## 13 Parish Clerk's Report

The Clerk had applied to the Cllrs Community Fund for a grant, but the Parish Council is not eligible; she made a request for the Registers of Interest.

## 14 Finances

The bank reconciliation and expenses spreadsheet had been circulated.  
 It was agreed to pay the PCC £487.13, which is half of the costs of the upkeep of the Churchyard for 2024. The Clerk is to ask for copies of the invoices the PCC has received.  
 It was resolved to make the following payments:

| Date       | Payment | Payee                       | Detail                    | Amount           |
|------------|---------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|
| 16/06/2025 | BACS    | The Deer Park Dairy Limited | Hire of the Function Room | £28.50+£1.50VAT  |
| 16/06/2025 | BACS    | Cllr Mrs Prince             | Paint                     | £15.00+£3.00VAT  |
| 16/06/2025 | BACS    | Cllr Mrs Smith              | Paint and brushes         | £63.44+£12.63VAT |
| 16/06/2025 | BACS    | Miss E Goodwin              | Salary Expenses           |                  |
| 16/06/2025 | BACS    | HMRC                        | PAYE                      |                  |

#### 15 Approval of the Audit

The Audit was approved and signed.

#### 16 Best Kept Village update – Cllr Mrs Smith

Cllr Mrs Smith will organise a village clean up.

Cllr Mrs Prince thanked Bridget and Rachel Knight for painting the speedgates on Maker Lane.

It was agreed to remove this item from the Agenda.

#### 17 Land opposite The Meynell

It was agreed that the area is in good condition; Cllr Mrs Baxter commented that the sign will look good when the work has been completed

#### 18 Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

#### 19 Members Points of Information

The Clerk had circulated information regarding .gov.uk email addresses; Cllr Marsden will compare the costs from different suppliers.

It was agreed to contact local businesses regarding a donation towards the cost of the defibrillator once a site had been agreed for its installation.

#### 20 Dates of the next Meeting

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September, Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December at The Deer Park, Maker Lane.

#### Signed by Chairperson

**Name:** Cllr Mrs Smith

**Signature:**

**Date:**