

**MINUTES OF HARDEN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 8th AUGUST 2013 AT 7.15PM IN HARDEN MEMORIAL HALL**

Present

Councillors Mike Andrews, John Bagnall, Matthew Gore, Julia Gregson, Robert Hartley,
Kay Kirkham, Alan Sykes
Clerk Eve Haskins
In attendance No members of the public were present

1/813 Apologies

It was noted that Ward Cllr Eaton had sent an apology for her non-attendance.

2/813 Declarations of Interest

None received.

3/813 Public Representation

None received.

4/813 To confirm minutes of meetings held 11th July 2013

The minutes of the meeting held on 11th July 2013 were confirmed as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

5/813 Spending of reserves

RESOLVED that the following ideas for spending of Parish Council reserves be further investigated re costings before being discussed again at the next meeting on 19th September 2013:

1. Benches in village: re-upholstering, possible new benches to purchase also;
2. War memorial: cleaning and walls re-pointing;
3. Speed limit road signs designed by local children;
4. Third zebra crossing near Post Office/bus stop;
5. Children's play area in park: re-vamp;
6. Weeds on paths around village: removing;
7. Flowering baskets on lampposts etc around village;
8. Flower beds in park;
9. Youth Club wish-list.

6/813 Village Society

RESOLVED that Chair to continue in his role as Liaison Officer to Village Society and to regularly liaise with Chair of Village Society to keep Parish Council up to date on their activities.

7/813 Harden Post Office

It was noted that the newspaper shop in which the village Post Office is currently sited is to re-open next week and that allocation of a permanent solution to the village Post Office is still ongoing.

8/813 Change of September meeting date

RESOLVED that the next Parish Council meeting to take place on Thursday 19th September 2013, one week after the original date of 12th September 2013.

9/813 Review of Clerk's wages

RESOLVED that Clerk's wages be increased from SCP 22 to SCP 23 due to recent receipt of CiLCA (Certificate in Local Council Administration), as agreed in the last appraisal.

10/813 Payments for approval

- **£5.40** Clerk's expenses
- **£7.15** Cllr Kirkham train fare to Harrogate

11/813 Correspondence

- Email from Neil Jenkins, Post Office Ltd, re update on Harden Post Office: acknowledged;
- Email from SLCC re increase in Clerk's wages: acknowledged;
- Invitation to Chair from Calder Valley Search and Rescue Team re Civic Guests' Evening on 29th October 2013: acknowledged, Chair has sent apologies;
- Letter from Philip Davies MP re updates on Harden Post Office: acknowledged, agreed that Clerk to keep Mr Davies informed;
- Thank you note from internal auditor re flowers received: acknowledged.

12/813 Planning decisions – None received.

13/813 Planning applications

RESOLVED that:

- a) **13/02185/HOU** – Springbank, 2 Cockcroft Fold, Harden Road, Harden – construction of conservatory to side – THE PARISH COUNCIL OBJECT TO THIS APPLICATION ON THE GROUNDS THAT THE INCREASING SIZE OF THE BUILDING IS DISPROPORTIONATE WITH GREEN BELT;
- b) **13/03102/VOC** – Midgeham Cliff End Quarry, Ryecroft Road, Harden – variation of conditions 7, 8 and 9 of permission 12/01424/VOC dated 18/09/2012 – NO OBJECTION.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.05pm.

The next meeting will be held on 19th September 2013 at 7.15pm in Harden Memorial Hall

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE NEXT MEETING OF
HARDEN PARISH COUNCIL
HAS BEEN MOVED FORWARD ONE WEEK
AND WILL NOW BE HELD ON
THURSDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER 2013 AT 7.15PM
IN HARDEN MEMORIAL HALL**