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Draft Minutes Little Hayfield Advisory Group Meeting

Tuesday 14th January 2025 – 7:00pm - The Lantern Pike Public House

**Present** – C.Willetts (In the Chair), D.Gouldthorpe (HPC), P.Inman (HPBC), R.Cox, M.Cranmer, E.Davies, C.Trueman.

**Also present** – H.Mason (Hayfield Parish Council Clerk), 4 x Members of the Public.

1. **Apologies for absence –** T.Ashton (HPC) and K.Blair.
2. **The Minutes of the meeting** held on Tuesday 8th October were confirmed and during the meeting the minutes were analysed, and notes and updates were given.

D.Gouldthorpe and P.Inman agreed to share the cost of the High-Vis jackets for the Community Speed Watch group. Lantern Pike Landlord Mark also offered to give a donation to the cost of the jackets. Clerk to speak with Mark regarding ordering.

1. **Speed monitoring A624 & CSW Update:**

Future Community Speed Watch meetings will need to be held during the day time and on weekends to work around the current dark nights and early mornings. Plans to schedule the next meeting will be made.

1. **Clough Management Plan:**

E.Davies is still in the process of updating The Clough Management Plan documents to send to the Clerk, for full council review.

Now the weather is getting better, Clerk to arrange a meeting with the contractors and M.Cranmer regarding the proposed bridge works.

The group also requested the steps along the slide be looked at as they are too high. The contractors can look at these during the bridge meeting to allow for the clerk to have their advice for this to be put to the council for review on whether they would agree to the works being done.

1. **Parish/Borough/County Councillors – News / Updates:**

P.Inman reported back that during November and December reporting drains was a big focus. In Thornsett taking early action really helped. Parkway view have petitioned for grit bins as the roads and pavements are a hazard but unfortunately the issue is being passed around between HPBC and DCC. New Mills Army cadets also applied for the Councillor Initiative Fund and money was granted, the money will go towards First Aid Supplies, Duke of Edinburgh supplies, the group helps to promote resilience for the members. Another group has also received CIF, the High peak Robotics 12 – 18 which is a robotic enthusiastic, the money will help to fund a future national’s robotic competition.

D.Gouldthorpe – the council is very enthusiastic to refurbish the telephone boxes they own, including the one in Little Hayfield. All equipment has been bought for the project and councillor K.Dalkin is heading the project and will meet with the Clerk to begin plans soon. Work will begin when the weather is better. LHAG need to have a think about what they would like to do with the telephone box. LHAG mentioned the telephone box leaks and the door does not shut properly and requested this be looked in to.

1. **Opportunity public speaking:**

It was requested the group put out a plea for volunteers to grit the roads during icy weather, the plea will be put out on their community WhatsApp group.

Snow Wardens DCC initiative is a free scheme where areas can apply for free grit and equipment for volunteers to use to grit roads and pavements.

Residents spoke on the possibility to have a dog waste bin where one once was, P.Inman requested they contact him regarding this for him to investigate as reimplementing a bin is an easier process than implementing a new bin.

1. **Any other business:**

The Little Hayfield Christmas Light Switch-On was a big success. Thak you to Paul and Phil for doing the lights for the event and thank you to Mark for the wonderful display and all his work and support to make then event so fantastic. Thank you to P.Inman for the Councillor Initiative Fund money that helped make the event a success. Thornsett Band were amazing.

Group have asked if the Clerk can contact A.Clarke regarding bus timetables for the bus stop in the centre of the village.

Road sweeping will be done next Tuesday at 9:30am (Tuesday 21st January) . C.Willetts to update all residents with leaflets to ensure road is cleared of cars.

Clerk to look in to Land Registry for information regarding the gate / triangular area of land.

Concerns over the change of local councils was discussed, will the village and surrounding areas be classed as Greater Manchester. What will be the implications of joining the Bee Network. This is an ongoing concern and there is no evidence for how this will all look yet. LHAG agreed L Agreed to keep updated on how this will affect the village and ensure to add to the agenda for any updates.

1. **Recommendations to Hayfield Parish Council February / March meeting:** Nil.
2. **Date of next meeting:** It was confirmed to hold the next meeting on Tuesday 8th April. Well Dressing to be added to the April Agenda.

**Meeting ended at 20:10.**