

HALE PARISH COUNCIL OF THE HALTON BOROUGH IN THE COUNTY OF CHESHIRE



DATED THIS SIXTEENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2020

MEMBERS OF HALE PARISH COUNCIL ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO ATTEND THE ORDINARY MEETING OF HALE PARISH COUNCIL

TO BE HELD AT 7.30PM ON THE TWENTY- FIRST DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2020 TO TRANSACT BUSINESS AS SHOWN IN THE AGENDA.

This meeting is to be held remotely, adhering to the legislation of the Coronavirus Act 2020

This meeting will be accessible to members of the public via the internet or by telephone. For instructions on how to access the meeting, please email:

clerk@haleparishcouncil.gov.uk or call 07803611222

Mr. Brian Hargreaves Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

Note to Councilors:

If you are unable to attend the meeting, please notify the Clerk of your apologies.

Note to Public

Members of the public wishing to address the Council should note that they must advise the Clerk before 10am on the day of the meeting both of their wish to participate in the public forum and their topic. If residents fail to inform the clerk prior to the meeting, permission to speak at the meeting will be at the discretion of the Chairman. All participants are restricted to a maximum of three minutes. If the public wish to ask the Council questions, please note that the Council may not be able to answer the question if the Council has not considered or resolved the question on an agenda item at a prior meeting. Should this be the case, the Council will advise correspondence with the Clerk to request the item should be discussed at a future Parish Council meeting. If the question is considered outside the remit of Hale Parish Council, residents will be referred to Halton Borough Council.

MEETING AGENDA

- 1. To Receive Apologies
- 2. To Receive declarations of Interest

- 3. To adjourn the meeting for a period of public participation
- 4. To consider and approve the Minutes of the meetings held on the 20th July 2020,
- 5. To Receive & Ratify the list of payments made between 2nd July 2020 and 3rd September 2020 as recorded in the cash book record which has been reconciled to the Bank statement to these dates, all payments having been made under Financial Regulation 6.4 as detailed below

July 2020 Payments

2/7/2020 - Risk Support - £270.00

2/7/2020m - Hale Village Hall - £35.00

2/7/2020 - Communicorp - £100.00

2/7/2020 - Hale Village Hall - £10.00

2/7/2020 - Hale Village Hall - £6552.00

2/7/2020 - Speed Training - £297.00

2/7/2020 - Hale Village Hall - £20.00

2/7/2020 - HMRC - £410.78

2/7/2020 - Salary - £1006.01

2/7/2020 - Living Wage Foundation - £72.00

11/7/2020 - Bank Transfer £66.28

15/7/2020 - HMRC £51.75

August 2020 Payments

6/8/2020 - Salary - £1142.81

6/8/2020 - HMRC - £336.98

10/8/2020 - Hale Village Hall - £15.00

10/8/2020 - Printstat Ltd - £406.00

10/8/2020 - Starboard Systems £271.68

13/8/2020 - Cheshire Com. Action - £50.00

13/8/2020 - ChALC - £610.08

13/8/2020 - Hale Village Hall - £20.00

20/8/2020 - Bank Transfer - £37.26

26/8/2020 - JDH Business Services - £850.80

September 2020 Payments

1/9/2020 - HMRC - £392.18 1/9/2020 - Salary - £1024.61 3/9/2020 - Risk Support - £270.00

- 6. To consider and approve the Retention of John Henry (JDH Business Services) to undertake Internal Auditing of all the Council's financial management ensuring it is adequate and effective, and that it has a sound system of internal control. The scope of internal audit is summarized in the AGAR Annual Return for Local Councils.
- To consider a request for support and issue a response to an email from a local resident regarding the G5 Mast & planning Application ref:20/00478/ADJ. (Attached)

(Permission to share the content below has been approved by the resident but The Name and address has been removed to protect their identity)

Hi Brian

We have recently been made aware of proposals to install a 5G Mast right near the bridle path which of course is very near to our house. I have written to LCC voicing our opposition and also to Derek Twigg. I am writing to ask if you would lend your voice to this opposition as these things are an absolute eyesore, not to mention potential health hazards. It will probably be the first thing people notice when they enter Hale, and I don't understand why it has to be placed there when it could go further down the road nearer to Dungeons Lane where there are no houses. Nobody should have to have a monstrosity like that so near to their house and we are very upset about it.

I hope you will lend your support and look forward to hearing from you.

- 8. To Consider the recent Quotation for Renewal of Insurance policy on a "Split Policy" Basis Taking into consideration the possible claim against the Parish Council by an ex-employee and it's overall impact on the renewal with the current insurers.
- 9. To Consider a proposal by a local resident to engage with Halton Borough Council regarding a number of important issues and taking a pro-active approach to attempting to improve the current situation. Topics for discussion should include:-

i/ Litter

ii/ Dog Fouling

iii/ Parking

To enquire why the current level of fines for littering & dog fouling has not been increased in Halton in line with government guide lines. (currently published at £70 fine – but could be increased to £150 under most recent legislation)

To request a list of all fines issued for littering & dog Fouling in Hale Village to have a benchmark against which to measure the impact.

To establish that Halton BC currently has no enforcement officers employed and to ask them to confirm that it.

To Conduct a survey based upon the use and users of Hale Park. To record this information and use it to base any subsequent action upon it.

To consider the purchase and installation of a refuse bin close to Hale lighthouse in lighthouse lane

To register our concerns and ask Halton BC to confirm that they would be open to engaging in discussions regarding the matters above. Ask them directly what we can do and how we can help.

To contact and interact with local schools and to help in a constructive way to educate and advise about littering. Explore the use of national campaign materials for reference.