

## HURST GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary meeting held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2025 in Hurst Green Village Hall starting at 7.30pm.

**Present:-** Councillor Browne (Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor French, Councillor Daly, Councillor Johnson-Cloves, Councillor Levine, Councillor Pakenham and Councillor Ralph.

The Clerk was in attendance along with twelve members of the public.

### 1.0 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: -

Councillor Price.

**2.0 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**, *in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct: to receive any disclosure by Members of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the member regards the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct.*

None received.

**2.1 APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION** – *to consider written requests from Members for Dispensation and to consider the length of time the dispensation should be granted for i.e. as a one-off relating to a matter on this agenda, or ongoing for a set period and relating to any agenda within that period.*

None received.

### 3.0 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN: - *To consider two motions as listed below,*

#### a) Neighbourhood Plan

Motion - That this Council for reasons of progressing its Neighbourhood Plan, shall approve the responses to the Neighbourhood Plan examiner, including the selected responses to regulation 16 comments, and shall submit these to the examiner before the deadline of 5pm on the 14th February 2025.

*Cllr. French, Cllr. Brown, Cllr. Browne*

Motion proposed by Councillors French and Brown and seconded by Councillor Browne.

Councillor Pakenham queried question 41 which he thought needed more clarity.

Subject to amendment re question 34 and 41 a recorded vote was taken.

Councillors Brown, Browne, French, Daly, Johnson-Cloves and Ralph **supported the motion.**

Councillor Pakenham **did not support the motion.**

Councillor Levine, **abstained.**

**The motion was carried by 6 to 1 with one abstention.**

#### b) Neighbourhood Plan

Motion - That this Council for reasons of progressing its Neighbourhood Plan, shall as previously approved, accept the approved financial grant from The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government of up to £2,030 to cover the professional fees of planning consultant, Alison Eardley to support the Council.

*Cllr. French, Cllr. Brown, Cllr. Browne*

Proposed by Councillors Brown, Browne and French and seconded by Councillor Johnson-Cloves.

**Unanimously resolved to approve.**

### 4.0 COMMUNITY ORCHARD SCHEME:- *To consider two motions as listed below,*

#### a) Lodge field: Coronation Community Orchard

Motion - That this Council for reasons of complying with the terms of the Coronation Community Orchard Grants Scheme, shall once the working group has determined planting locations, proceed with the purchase of the grant items from the previously approved suppliers, up to the total value of the grant (£4,970.00) before the 28th February 2025.

*Cllr. Brown, Cllr. Johnson-Cloves*

Motion proposed by Councillors Brown and Johnson-Cloves and seconded by Councillor Browne.

**Unanimously resolved to proceed.**

A working party made up of Councillor Brown, Councillor Browne, Councillor Johnson-Cloves, Councillor Pakenham and Councillor Ralph would work on achieving this.

**b) Lodge field: Coronation Community Orchard**

Motion - That this Council for reasons of complying with the terms of the Coronation Community Orchard Grants Scheme, shall invoice Rother District Council for 75% of the grant value (£3,715.50), quoting the PO reference supplied, as requested by the District Council.

*Cllr. Brown, Cllr. Johnson-Cloves.*

**Unanimously resolved to proceed with this.**

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.35pm.

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Signed Cllr. Graham Browne, Chair

Dated 25<sup>th</sup> March 2025