Minutes of the AGM and meeting of Great Hockham Parish Council held on 17th May 2021 at The Eagle Carpark.

Present:

Councillors: D Childerhouse, A Lambert, C Thomas, Ben Campbell and 14 members of the public.

1 Apologies C Woodsford.

2 Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman

B Campbell proposed A Lambert as Chairman, seconded by C Thomas and carried

A Lambert proposed B Campbell as Vice Chairman, seconded by C Thomas and carried.

It was agreed that outgoing chairman continued to chair this meeting

3 Appointment of representatives of outside bodies

The following were appointed

Cheque signatories A Lambert B Campbell and D Childerhouse

Planning A Lambert Edinburgh Hall & Playing Field A Lambert Footpaths & Forestry B Campbell Highways C Thomas Police liaison C Woodsford Battle Area liaison D Childerhouse Tree Officer B Campbell Wayland Partnership D Childerhouse

4 Declaration of interests None

5 Minutes of the last meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 24th February 2020 were approved.

6 Matters arising from the minutes

It was agreed that all matters had been dealt with

8 Finance

The 2020-21 Accounts are awaiting audit

Expenditure and income was below £25,000 and thus the council is exempt from an external auditor but must declare exemption. The Certificate of exemption was approved and signed.

Payments made this financial year

Allied Westminster	Playing Field Insurance	£665.87
NALC	Sub	£152.81
Ravenscroft Tree Services	Tree Risk Assessment	£342.00
Pearce & Kemp	Street Light Main.	£45.60
Village Hall	Allotment Water	£105.62
E-ON	Electricity	£94.14
Allied Westminster	Playing Field Insurance	£79.77
C Garrod	Community Car	£46.00

Income this financial year

Precept	£3,750.00
Allotment Rent	£25.00

Balance Community Account

£17,662.65

These payments were approved

9 Planning

A Lambert gave details of the planning applications dealt with during the Lock Down An application for a small rear extension to Sma Glenn, off The Green has been received. It was agreed that the PC has no objection.

An application for an extensive single story to the rear of 3 Watton Road has been received. It was agreed that the PC has no objection but with a condition the it should not be extended upwards in the future.

The meeting was adjourned to allow public discussion

10 Highways

C Thomas reported on the drainage problems in the village that he has raised with Highways. D childerhouse reported that the PC had written to Abrey Farms regarding the damage to the buildings in Harling Road. They replied stating that the have instructed their larger vehicles to avoid the section of Harling Road to Little Hockham Lane.

The PC has also contacted Highways requesting suggestions to what can be done to reduce the problem of large vehicles in the village bu awaits a satisfactory reply.

11 Any Other Business

Chestnut Square Sign.

A Lambert reported on the problems of residents of 5 to 19 Shropham Road were having with deliveries during the lock down as drivers assume that "Chestnut Square" is not Shropham Road. They do want the "Slow Children Playing" to remain It was agreed that the cost of replacing the sign with one "5 to 19 Shropham Road" with "Slow Children Playing" be established.

Playing Field Dog Proof Fencing

The Parish Council, together with Town Land Charity and The Playing Field association have obtained costings for a Dog Proof Fence around the play equipment of £7150.52. A Grant of £3575 has been agreed by Breckland. The councils share of the cost was £1191.48. It was agreed to make this contribution

It was agreed that the Parish Council will pay for the attendance of any new Clerk on a SLCC Clerk training course

The Trustees for Hockham Town Land Charity, J Plummer, J Carter, C Quincy and D Childerhouse were confirmed

The Trustees for Fuel & Furze- Ben Campbell, Vince Thurkettle, Chris Garrod and Rachael Garrod were confirmed