

# Hawkesbury Parish Council



**Minutes of Hawkesbury Parish Council Meeting  
Held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2012 at 9pm  
At Hawkesbury Primary School Hall**

**Present:**

H Bleaken (Chair), B Robinson, P Barnett, M Cox and S Hope and H Jones (Parish Clerk)

**Apologies**

P Isaac, Cllr Musty, Cllr Heeley and Cllr Frankcom

**Public Participation**

None

Action

***Accept apologies for Absence***

Cllr Isaac, Cllr Musty, Cllr Heeley and Cllr Frankcom

Cllr Heeley emailed the Parish Council with her resignation. The Clerk has placed an advert regarding a Parish Councillor's vacancy for Hawkesbury; this notice has a closing date of Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2012. This will need to be reviewed at the next Parish Council meeting being 14<sup>th</sup> May.

**This was noted**

**1 *To record declaration of interest from members in any item to be discussed.***

5.1 Cllr Bleaken-M & G Countryside Development Invoice to be considered for payment

4.2 Cllr Hope – Planning Decision received for Pool Farmhouse

**2 *To adjourn to allow public participation.***

None

**3 *Councillor's Items***

3.1 White Beam Tree & Bench on the Plain - Cllr Robinson

Cllr Robinson wanted to let everyone know how healthy the white beam tree was looking and this was confirmed by the Councillors. Cllr Robinson wanted to know if anyone knew who moved the bench as it has now been placed on the corner of the Plain.

The Parish Council all agreed for the bench to be moved back to its original spot.

**To be actioned**

**Cllr and Cox  
Cllr**

**4 4.1 Planning Applications**

PK12/0926/F	Winfield, High Street Hawkesbury Upton	Creation of hardstanding and new vehicle access from High Street (resubmission of PK11/3623/F	The Parish Council <b>supports</b> this planning application
PK12/1031/F	Land at Sandpits Lane Hawkesbury Upton	Change of use of land from agricultural to land for keeping of horses. Erections on 2no. Stable blocks.	Parish Councils comments below;
<p>"In this instance the Parish Council <b>objects</b> to this particular planning application for <b>change of use from agricultural use to equestrian use</b> and <b>also objects to the erection of the two stables</b> for the following reasons;</p> <p>The size, sighting and massing of the stables are not in context with other buildings in the area and we are concerned with visual impact, on the entrance to the village. Concerns regarding access off a single track road-there are no entrance-visibility lines shown on the plans-or vehicular pull in indicated.</p> <p>The security lighting system could be a nuisance.</p> <p>Possible commercial use of stables.</p> <p>Concerns regarding the existing boundary, at present there is no roadside hedge but a dry stone wall and no provision has been made for repair and renewal of dry stone walls, although mention is made of planting a hedge of native species.</p> <p>The plans are not to scale and do not show any soak away's/underground drainage.</p> <p>Public Rights of Way has not been indicated on the plans.</p> <p>If minded for consent, the <b>Parish Council would like to see the following;</b></p> <p>Improved access – to improve safety</p> <p>The resighting of smaller stables blocks – to break up the massing of the building layout to lessen the visual impact of the scheme</p> <p>No equestrian equipment – specifically exclude the use of equestrian equipment on the site</p> <p>Not to be commercial – specifically exclude the use of the site for commercial purposes</p> <p>Lighting – provision of discreet/controllable lighting system only</p> <p>Building mass should be reduced – as currently shown has an adverse affect upon the landscape and the important views of the village when approached from Sandpits Lane</p> <p>Refer to the Cotswold Conservation Board "keeping of horses" leaflet.</p> <p>Please note the Parish Council is not satisfied with the quality or standard of plans and details submitted.</p>			
<p><b>4.2 Planning Decisions</b></p>			

<b>PK11/4025/LB</b>	Pool Farmhouse High Street Hawkesbury Upton	Replacement of 14 no. windows	<b>CONSENT</b> subject to conditions.
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**5 5.1 Cheques to be signed**

a	M & G Countryside Development – Little Badminton Noticeboard	£318.00	<b>Cllr Hope &amp; Cllr Robinson Cllr Bleaken &amp; Cllr Hope Cllr Bleaken &amp; Cllr Hope</b>
b	South Gloucestershire Council Grass Cutting March 2012	£214.63	
c	Garden Manicures	£ 81.77	

All the above Cheques signed in accordance with the Bank Mandate.

**6 Date of next meeting**

The next Parish Council will the Annual meeting on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2012 in the upstairs meeting room at Hawkesbury Parish Hall, Hawkesbury Upton at 7.30pm