Hockering Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Hockering Parish Council held at 7:30 pm on Tuesday 10th January 2023 in the village hall.

Present:

Cllr J Blackwell (Chair)

Cllr R Neave

Cllr L Parker

Cllr T Bassett

Cllr M Mason

Cllr P Cocker

Three members of the public Sue Marsh (Clerk)

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

Apologises were received and accepted from Cllr Higgins.

2. To receive declarations of interest

None received.

3. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 13th December 2022

Cllr Parker proposed that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 13th
December 2022 be accepted as a true record of the meeting, this was seconded by
Cllr Neave and agreed by Council. The Chairman duly signed the minutes.

4. To receive County/District Councillor reports

D/Cllr Borrett updated the Council on the Local Plan and the call for sites. He mentioned that it was important for Parish Councils to comment on the plan as soon as possible.

5. To receive a report from a senior member of the HQN editorial committee on the recent distribution and concerns raised by parishioners

No one from the HQN committee was able to attend. It was agreed after a lengthy discussion that this would be carried forward to the March meeting. A senior member of the HQN editorial committee would be invited to attend the March meeting.

6. Open Forum for Public Participation

a) A discussion was had around the recent distribution of the HQN and how many parishioners were unhappy that a conspiracy theory newspaper was delivered together with the HQN. It was agreed that this would be discussed at the March meeting where members of the HQN editorial committee could answer questions from the public.

7. To receive a report on the Play Area

The clerk confirmed that the repairs to the play area would proceed once the weather was better – these have now been completed.

8. To consider training for Councillors

The clerk confirmed that she would send any information relevant training courses to the councillors.

9. Planning Matters:

- a) Applications for consideration
- b) None advised
- c) Take note of any planning decisions:

Council noted the following decisions by Breckland District Council:

None received

10. Finance & Governance Matters

- a) To receive a financial report for the year ending 31st March 2023
 The financial report was noted
- b) Acceptance of bank payments were proposed by Cllr Bassett and seconded by Cllr Neave. Agreed by Council:

Clerk Dec salary/allowances £428.03
 HMRC – PAYE £103.60
 £531.63

11. Correspondence for Circulation

None received

12. To receive any new items for the next agenda

- HQN
- Local Plan
- Neighbourhood Plan
- Planters
- Bus Shelter

To note the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 7:30pm on Tuesday 14th March 2023 in the village hall

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and the meeting closed at 8:15 pm

Signed	Date