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**HARTINGTON UPPER QUARTER PARISH COUNCIL**  
 Minutes from the meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> November 2023

**COUNCILLORS PRESENT:** Chairman Ray Mellor, Steve Otty, Michael Staden.

Tarrah Staden (clerk)

Members of the public: Sharon McSherry, Andrew Bennett.

This meeting was opened 19:30pm by the chairman.

8/11/202 3.1	Apologies for absence – Linda Grooby , Simon Oliver			
8/11/202 3.2	Minutes from the meeting held previously- the chairman signed off the September minutes with the listed amendments. The minutes from the previous meeting were also signed off by the chair with the amendments.			
8/11/202 3.3	Matters arising- Methodist church land . It was agreed that the clerk would email the church and ask when the for the plot of land was last paid and what their intentions are with the land . The chairman and Cllr Otty agreed to inform the church that the parish council is happy to pay the rent . Cllr Otty to send a correspondence to the church proposed Cllr Staden , seconded Chairman Ray Mellor.			
8/11/202 3.4	Items of account - cheques written out			
	Cheque n.o 000985	Reason Remembrance sunday wreath	Amount £25.00	Recipient The Poppy Appeal
	000987	Clerks salary one month	£187.50	Tarrah Staden
	000986	fire alarm repair and fittings	£90.99	Hindlow Technical
	Income-			
	Received from Macclesfield radio club on 27/10	Reason hire of the hall and the grounds	Amount £150	
	The bank balance as of 7/11/2023 stands at £20,797.26.			
	It was proposed by cllr Staden and seconded by Cllr Otty for the chairman to make repairs to the parish hall . The clerk is to contact PKF LittleJohn requesting an invoice , the payment can then be processed. Cm Ray Mellor suggested that this should be put on a separate agenda so that the councillors can agree to the payment .			
8/11/202 3.5	Planning applications- HPK/2023/0434 , the councillors had no objections to this planning application.			

8/11/2022 3.6	Sterndale Moor repairs- it was agreed that the clerk should contact ROSPA in order to see if it is possible to obtain a cheaper rate for the inspection on the playground at Sterndale Moor. Cllr Otty informed that he is dealing with the sourcing of the defibrillator battery . The parish council holds £167 of defib funds for Sterndale Moor .
8/11/2022 3.7	Parish hall maintenance plans – provision of disabled facilities , gas checks and supply. Cm Ray Mellor confirmed that the automatic change over valve on the gas cylinders is not working and has to be done manually . No correspondence has been received from the architect regarding disabled facilities. It was mentioned by cllr Staden that the chairman can carry out the work regarding the parish hall drainage issues. It was mentioned and agreed by the councillors that an evaluation of the property must be booked for the purpose of the parish assets .
8/11/2022 3.8	Highways- the chairman reported that Gemma Gilberts has complained about the road condition between Dowlow and Hindlow . CM Ray Mellor confirms there is a very deep pothole . The clerk is to report the matter to DCC . Cllr Staden confirms that street lighting on Brandside is not working. Public comment : Andrew Bennett mentioned that there is a pot hole in front of Harley Grange farm, Dalehead.
8/11/2022 3.9	Correspondences- Pkf Little John have made a correspondence to the parish council, informing the council that a meeting must be held . This correspondence was read out by cllr Staden . The auditors requested that a public meeting was to be held with an agenda . This meeting was to be held within a month of the correspondence. It was stated that the meeting is to be published within a period of 8 days , it was agreed by the councillors that the meeting would be held on the 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 6pm. The meeting was in aid of public interest report.
8/11/2022 3.10	Footpaths - Cllr Steve Otty looking into Gemma Gilbert comment regarding a broken stile , cllr Otty to report this issue to the relevant authorities .
8/11/2022 3.11	Policies and procedures - Cm Ray Mellor to read through the printed off standing order document and see if anything can be adopted from the document for the purposes of this parish council. A copy was issued to each councillor.
8/11/2022 3.12	Any other business - the Remembrance Sunday service plans were discussed amongst the councillors . The Clerk was to obtain Remembrance Service booklets from Print Express as well as condiments.

This meeting closed at 9pm.

Next meeting Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2023.