

## PUTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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### Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 17th January 2023 At 7.30 in Putley Village Hall

**Present:** Councillors Daly, Herbst, Booth & Denman. Also  
in attendance S. Webster Ward Councillor Lester and J. Chester, stand in Clerk.

1. To elect a chairman for the meeting.  
Councillor Herbst took the Chair.
2. To receive apologies for absence.  
Apologies were received from Councillor Bodger.
3. To record any Declarations of Interest and consider any Requests for dispensations.  
There were no declarations.
4. To consider the co-option of a new Councillor.  
Ms Webster was Co-opted, proposed Councillor Herbst, seconded by Councillor Booth and unanimously agreed. The Declaration of Acceptance was signed.
5. To receive a report from the County Councillor.  
Councillor Lester reported on the 23/24 budget. More funding than anticipated has been received from government and more houses built. Proposed increase is 4.99percent. Reserves have decreased by almost 1/3 this year. Report from the Commissioner appointed to look into Childrens Services is due to go to Government Minister imminently; the conclusions will have implications for Hereford Council going forward.
6. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2022.  
**RESOLUTION:** The minutes were approved.
7. Finance:
  - a. To consider payment of outstanding accounts and note payment between meetings:  
Clerks' salary January & February  
HMRC Income tax on Clerks salary  
Putley Village Hall rent for meetings £36.00
  - b. Transactions between meetings:  
Playing field grass cutting £400.00  
PWLB Loan £658.01
  - c. To note the balance at the bank: current account £11,788.71 and deposit account £11,091.57.  
**RESOLUTION:** Payments and transactions were approved, balances were noted.
8. To receive a report from the Footpath Officer.  
Councillor Denman reported that Fountains Forestry have made good the path between Mains Wood and Durlow but not waymarked. They have recruited a new

person, Tom? Pollution across a path is an ongoing problem & hopefully the new person will involve the Environment Agency. Fountains Forestry are clearing woodland between Councillor Booths and Woolhope Road.

9. To receive a report from the Lengthsman Coordinator.

There was nothing to report.

10. To consider content for the Cider Press.

Councillor Booth will advertise the councillor vacancy, report on the co-option of Councillor Webster, and advise that the precept for the next year has not been increased.

11. To receive agenda items for the next meeting.

15. To note the date of the next meeting, 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023

Signed

***C Stallard Daniels***

Clerk to the Parish Council

21 December 2023