



Hullbridge Parish Council

Events & Leisure Committee

Held on Wednesday 12th March 2025

6.00 pm

Hullbridge Parish Council Office, 98 Ferry Road, Hullbridge, SS5 6EX

Members present: Cllr S. Walsh, Cllr S. Naish, Cllr D. Elwell, Cllr C. Agius

Staff present: Mrs Nicola Harding (Clerk), Mrs Julie Mullett (Asst Clerk)

Community Groups present: Al Nash, Sue Knight (Sports & Social), Lisa Gatehouse, Michelle Lambert (Community Centre), Andrew Parker (Scout Group)

Minutes

19/03/25 **Apologies for Absence**

19.1/03/25 – Apologies were *received* from Cllr S. Cooper and Cllr K. Charters advised she may arrive late.

20/03/25 **Approval of Minutes**

20.1/03/25 – RESOLVED Councillors *agreed* the minutes as a true record of the Committee Meeting held on **22nd May 2024 and 2nd October 2024.**

21/03/25 **Declarations of interest / dispensations**

21.1/03/25 – None

22/03/25 **Public Participation** – No public present.

23/03/25 **Christmas Lights Switch On**

23.1/03/25 – RESOLVED Councillors and community groups discussed the 2025 Christmas Fayre. Attendance from the Scouts and Sports and Social was confirmed for this year's event. The community Centre are unable to attend on the 29th November. A general discussion took place regarding the date of the event and if the Fayre was planned on a similar scale to 2024.

Community groups then discussed upcoming events and how the Parish Council could support including;

- Scouts Easter Egg Hunt – 5th April – Parish Office to advertise event
- Scouts Duck Race – 21st September – Parish Office to advertise event
- HCA VE Day celebrations – Parish Council to consider grant application at Full Council and advertise event.
- HCA Live Aid – Parish Council to advertise event.
- Sports and Social – Parish Council will help to advertise upcoming events, the Sports and Social Club offered to assist in a Summer Event for Hullbridge, this will be included on the next Full Council for discussion. Clerk to **ACTION.**

24/03/25 **Litter Pick**

24.1/03/25 – Cllr Naish discussed the recent litter pick at High Elms and will liaise with Andrew Parker from the Scouts to organise another litter pick in the Spring to involve



the scouts and wider community in Hullbridge. The Parish Council will help support and advertise this.

25/03/25 Heritage Trail

25.1/03/25 – No update.

26/03/25 Hullbridge Library

26.1/03/25 – A general discussion was had regarding the petition for extended library opening hours and how further support could be raised. It was *agreed* to invite the Library to the next Events & Leisure Committee Meeting and to approach them to investigate the possibility of holding the meeting at the library.

27/03/25 Action Plan

27.1/03/25 – The document was reviewed with no amendments.

28/03/25. Date of the Next Meeting

28.1/03/25 Councilors and community groups were advised to forward any items for the next Agenda to the Clerk.

28.2/03/25 It was *agreed* that the Clerk arrange a meeting towards the end of April – Clerk to **ACTION..**

Meeting closed 18:35 hrs

Nicola Harding

Chairman Signature: _____ Date _____