Hartington Upper Quarter Parish Council

Meeting held Wednesday 6th May 2026 at 7.30pm
at Brandside Parish Hall

Minutes

Present:
Cllrs Oliver (Chair), Temperley (Vice Chair), Jackson, Melland, Staden
Clerk - Jocelyn Granger
3 members of the public

Apologies:
Cllr Watson

		Actions
1	Meeting opened at 7.30pm.	
2	Cllr Temperley made a Declaration of Interest in Agenda items 7.1/2/3/4/5.	
3	No members of the public wished to speak.	
4	Minutes for last meeting on 8th April 2026 accepted as a true and accurate record; proposed by Cllr Jackson, seconded by Cllr Staden and duly signed by Cllr Oliver.	
5.1	As of 1st May 2026, the Council's current account bank balance was £9,295.39 and the deposit account balance £13,433.96. It was agreed to transfer £6,500 from the current to deposit account. The Clerk still does not have online access to the bank accounts but the forms have been submitted so it should be imminent.	
5.2	The following DD payments were noted: 22nd Apr, EDF, Hall Electricity - £115.92 9th May, Ionos, Website/email hosting Apr/May - £12.00 The following bank payments were approved: Sterndale Moor Social Club - £30.00 – meeting held 7th Jan 26 Sterndale Moor Social Club - £30.00 – meeting held 8th Apr 26 Sterndale Moor Social Club - £5.00 – playground rental Apr 26 Jocelyn Granger, Clerk - £901.01 – salary/expenses – Mar/Apr26 It was agreed to ask Peter Leppard to transfer funds from the deposit account (as item 5.1) and set up the payments for authorisation. It should be noted that once the Clerk has online bank access, Mr Leppard's bank access will be cancelled.	Clerk Clerk
5.3	The following income was received since last meeting: HPBC, Precept - £8,889.00 Robert Smyth Academy (Tudor Grange), Hall hire - £186.00	
6	<u>Sterndale Moor</u>	
6.1	Clerk awaiting confirmation of defib guardianship. Steve Trowbridge from Hartington 1st Responders will check the device regularly for the Council going forward backed up by resident, Gemma Gilbert. Replacement cabinet priced by Defib Supplies at £594 (gross). Further quotes needed for comparison also Electrician costs for dis/re-connection.	Clerk Clerk
6.2	Hartington 1st Responders happy to put on free training at both Sterndale Moor (Mons or Weds) and Brandside (any weekday). Clerk to contact Steve Trowbridge to check availability avoiding dates for PC meetings. Summer months preferred. The Council will provide refreshments at both locations. Advertise widely to encourage parish residents but it was confirmed that those just outside Parish boundary would also be welcome.	Clerk

6.3	Submitting grant application/s for the playground equipment is now a priority as the quarry companies group fund application deadline is only a couple of months away. It was not discussed at the meeting but the annual playground inspection has been booked with ROSPA Playsafety – date TBC. Repairs to the walkway in the playground are in hand – warning signs and tape were put in place immediately it was brought to the Clerk's attention.	Clerk Clerk
6.4	Richard Fletcher is pricing up a replacement cover for the noticeboard along with fitting a padlock for security. The preference is for a digital lock rather than keys.	Clerk
7	<u>Brandside</u> Cllr Temperley left the room for items 7.1/2/3/4/5	
7.1	Work to remove Asbestos from the School House roof is imminent so repairs to the Parish Hall roof will soon be possible. Clerk to contact the Council's chosen contractors, High Class Roofing, to advise current situation and also inform Zurich to keep both updated. There is some other maintenance work needed (loose roof tiles, soffits, guttering) which needs pricing up when High Class Roofing are on site. The large wooden window to the rear is leaking where the beading appears to have failed. Clerk to contact Richard Fletcher, the original contractor, to get it repaired. Clerk to check scope of works with Grounds Maintenance contractor, Greg Boulton, to confirm what is included in his annual charge.	Clerk Clerk Clerk Clerk
7.2	Grants for the Accessible WC still need to be researched and applied for. This is the second priority after Sterndale Moor Playground.	Clerk
7.3	Bywaters quoted £983 (gross) to move the gas bottles and cage; second quote pending (subsequently received at £900). During discussions at the meeting however it was suggested the Council look at options for a gas tank being a more cost-effective solution. In the meantime, a padlock should be fitted to existing cage for security purposes without delay. Digital preferably.	Clerk Cllr Staden
7.4	The Council has now been confirmed as the Guardian for the Brandside defib. Steve Trowbridge from Hartington 1st Responders will check the device regularly.	Clerk
7.5	Incident Response Information sheet for Hall bookers to be updated with the new Clerk's contact details. There has been an enquiry for a booking from a group of Radio Ham enthusiasts in the summer. Clerk to check if they've been before and their requirements before confirming.	Clerk Clerk
8	There were no new planning applications since last meeting.	
9	HPBC Parish Forum in Buxton on 16th April covered green waste, rubbish bins, devolution and LGR, locality planning. Clerk to attend Teams meeting for the Council's local 'cluster' group on 21st May to start discussing Locality Plans. Forward email invitation to other Councillors in case anyone else wishes to attend.	 Clerk Clerk
10	To confirm Clerk now has the Council owned Microsoft Surface Pro Tablet.	
11	<u>Highways</u> No existing or new issues. It was agreed that the Council needs to be persistent when reporting problems making multiple reports to ensure the issue is resolved. Consider using the 'Upmystreet' website in addition to the Derbyshire County Council Highways portal. Cllr Temperley to forward details to the Clerk.	 Cllr Temperley
12	<u>Next meeting</u> Wednesday 3rd June 2026 at Sterndale Moor Social Club at 7.30pm.	
13	Meeting closed at 8.45pm.	

Signed by Cllr Suzanne Oliver: Suzanne Oliver Date: 3rd June 26