

**HARBURY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Annual Meeting**  
**Thursday 18 May 2023 at 7.30pm**  
**Tom Hauley Room, All Saints Church, Harbury**

**Present**

Cllr T Lockley (Chair)	Cllr J Dominick
Cllr J Balch	Cllr Potter
Cllr A Knowles	Cllr S Allen

**Absent**

Cllr K Thompson  
3 vacant seats

**In Attendance**

Mrs Alison Biddle, Clerk to the Council  
Mrs C Gwillam, Minute Secretary

**Public**

5 members of the public

**23/071 Election of Chairman**

It was **RESOLVED** to elect Cllr Lockley as chairman of the parish council for the coming year.  
He duly signed his declaration of acceptance of office which was countersigned by the clerk.

**23/072 Apologies**

Cllr Keith Thompson  
District Cllr Susan Ostrander

**23/073 Election of Vice-chair**

It was **RESOLVED** to elect Cllr Balch as vice -chair of the parish council for the coming year.

**23/074 Declaration of Acceptance of Office**

All members present signed their declarations of acceptance of office which were received by the clerk who duly countersigned them.

**23/075 General Power of Competence**

It was **RESOLVED** that Harbury Parish Council meets the relevant criteria and is eligible to use the General Power of Competence in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 ss 1-6 (i.e., at least two thirds of councillors have been elected and the clerk holds the relevant qualification).

**23/076 Village Hall Dispensation**

It was **RESOLVED** to grant dispensation to all members of the parish council in respect of Harbury Village Hall as without dispensation the number of persons prohibited from taking part

in any discussion or vote would be so great a proportion as to impede the transaction of any business relating to the village hall.

### **23/077 Working Parties**

It was **RESOLVED** to appoint members to working parties as follows:

**1 Planning**

Cllr S Allen (Chair)

Cllr K Thompson, Cllr A Knowles

**2 Properties**

Cllr K Thompson (Chair – subject to his acceptance)

Cllr J Dominick, Cllr A Knowles, Cllr A Potter

**3 Environment**

Cllr A Potter (Chair)

Cllr J Dominick, Cllr S Allen

**4 Climate**

Cllr J Dominick (Chair)

Cllr J Balch

**5 Finance & General Purposes**

Cllr S Allen (Chair)

Cllr T Lockley, Cllr K Thompson, Cllr A Potter, Cllr J Dominick

**6 Staff & HR**

Cllr J Balch (Chair)

Cllr K Thompson, Cllr Lockley

### **23/078 Outside Bodies**

It was **RESOLVED** to appoint members as representatives to outside bodies as follows:

**1 Harbury Village Hall Management Committee**

Cllr K Thompson

**2 Warwickshire Association of Local Councils (WALC)**

Cllr A Potter

**3 Harbury Library**

Cllr T Lockley

**4 Harbury Energy Initiative (HEI)**

Cllr J Dominick

**5 Harbury Twinning Association**

Vacant

**6 Harbury Seasonal Lights**

Cllr S Allen, Cllr J Balch, Cllr T Lockley

Meeting closed at 7.50pm.

**NB:** The ordinary meeting of the council followed the conclusion of this annual meeting.

Signed ..... Chairman      Date.....