<u>Horspath Stone Pit Charity</u> <u>Minutes of Trustees' Meeting – Tuesday 24th September 2024 at 7.30pm</u> <u>held at Horspath Village Hall</u>

Present: Mrs B Oakley (Chairman), Mr D Burgess, Mr L Coolman, Mrs P Cook, Mrs H Franklin, Mr I Harris, Mr B Igoe, Mr E Parker, Mrs H Kogel (Clerk). Mr R Hamlet, Mr B Lowe. **Apologies:** Mr P O'Brien, Mr S James-Lawrie. **Absent:** Mr T Bearder. **Public:** 7

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were made on behalf of Mr O'Brien and Mr James-Lawrie. Mr Bearder was absent from the meeting.

Mrs Oakley stated that individual grant applications can only be awarded a maximum of $\pounds 200.00$. If any amount of the grant is un-spent, it should be repaid to HSPC. Receipts must be provided within 3 months to show how the grant has been used and before any other grants can be awarded.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

Mrs Oakley declared an interest in one individual grant application. Mr Burgess declared an interest in one individual grant application. Mr Parker declared an interest in one individual grant application. Mr Lowe declared an interest in one organisation grant application.

3. MINUTES FOR APPROVAL.

The Minutes of the Trustees Meeting held on 25th June 2024 were agreed and signed as correct by the Chairman.

4. MATTERS ARISING.

A grant of £3000.00 was awarded in December 2020 to a Trustee of a charity in the village to register a piece of land known as the Poors Land. To date receipts have been provided for £1209.60. As far as we are aware the land has still not been registered. Mrs Kogel has sent two emails recently requesting an update on the grant, but to date has not received a reply. Trustees agreed unanimously that the outstanding amount of £1790.40 must be re-paid to HSPC within 28 days, and if the money is not re-paid, legal action will be taken to recover the money.

5. STAGECOACH. - Construction of new sub-station. -

Mr Coolman reported that no update is available.

6. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Ms Natalie Oakley. – Email regarding school uniform costs. – Mrs Oakley stated that the grant for school uniform costs is a contribution towards the cost, not to pay for the total cost. Mrs Oakley stated that HSPC do not award grants to purchase Chromebooks. Trustees agreed to discuss the possibility of increasing school uniform grants for next year at the December meeting.

7. PAYMENTS

Date	Paid To	Details	Total £
8.8.24	Mr R Burgess	Stationery	69.96
BACS	Mrs Hayley Kogel	Salary July, August, September 2024 + ¹ ⁄ ₄ holiday pay	641.46
		TOTAL	711.42

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£1,000.00 was paid out on 10.6.24 to the Hardship Fund. Mrs Kogel informed Trustees of an additional payment of £166.42 to HMRC.

8. RECEIPTS.

Date	Received from	Details	Total £
23.7.24	Stagecoach	Quarterly Rent	62,500.00
2.9.24	Barclays Bank	Interest on Business Premium Account	320.90
		Total	£62,820.90

£62,500 due from Stagecoach in September 2024. Bank Balance as of 17.9.24

Community Account£27,343.65Business Premium Account£126,129.92Deposit Treasury Account£800,000.00 (Renewed in May 2024 for a term of 6 months)

9. AOB. – None.

11. APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING.

4 Organisation & 17 Individual applications and 1 Hardship Fund application to be considered.

Individual Applications

3 applications were successful for school uniform grants. - Total £600.00. (Mr Burgess left the room and took no part in voting on one application).

3 applications were successful for School Trips. - Total £485.00.

2 applications were successful for school transport. - Total $\pounds400.00$.

1 application was successful for Armistice Day Service. - Total £400.00.

1 application was successful for the felling of dangerous trees. – Total £7680.00

1 application was successful for specialist equipment. - $\pounds 2000.00$ (Mr Parker left the room and took no part in voting),

1 application was successful for the provision of meal vouchers for senior citizens for the next three months. (Mrs Oakley left the room and took no part in voting). Total £5000.00.

3 applications were refused as receipts for previous grants have not been provided.

1 application was refused as it does not meet the criteria of the charity.

1 application has been deferred waiting for more information.

Organisation Applications

St Giles Church – Awarded £1350.00 for the maintenance of the Churchyard. (Mr Lowe left the room and took no part in voting).

Horspath Hub – Awarded £2000.00 for the seated Pilates Group and Taxi Service.

Horspath Hub – Awarded £2400.00 for painting the Hub.

Horspath Cycle Speedway – Awarded £2376.00 for replacing the racing surface shale.

A total of £27,691.00 was awarded. (Including £3000.00 approved for the Hardship Fund).

(All members of the public left the meeting)

1 application for the Hardship Fund - Trustees agreed unanimously that a payment of $\pounds1000.00$ would be paid immediately and a further payments of $\pounds1000.00$ per month will be paid in November and December 2024.

Signed Date.....

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