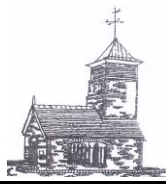




February 2016
HEATH & REACH PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes

Meeting held on **Monday 1st February 2016** in the Village Barn, Eastern Way, Heath & Reach

		Reporting / Actions
721	INTRODUCTION:	
721.1	Meeting Attendees: Cllrs Thyer, Ellis, Gell, Inns, Fitzpatrick, Owers, Beilby, Green, Hawes. In attendance, Clerk.,	
721.2	Apologies for absence: Cllr Versallion	
721.3	Declarations of Interest: None	
722	APPROVAL OF PARISH COUNCIL / COMMITTEE MINUTES:	
722.1	Approval of Minutes from January Full Council. Approved and signed by Cllr Thyer	
723	PUBLIC FORUM – members of the public have a cumulative 15 minutes to address the Parish Council, no resolutions other than those on the agenda can be resolved from items raised in the public forum. No one present	
724	Central Bedfordshire Councillor Mark Versallion Report. None provided Police Report. None	
725	provided	
726	MATTERS ARISING – for information only	
595.1	Registering of Birds Hill Green. Clerk confirmed that the application had been submitted to CBC	
697.1	Banwell Place Section 106 money. Clerk confirmed that this money has now been received.	
726.1	Open spaces risk assessment. Clerk confirmed as complete, refer to relevant committee for approval	
726.2	Financial risk assessment. Clerk confirmed as complete, refer to relevant committee for approval	
727	PARISH COUNCIL REPORTS	
727.1	Clerk Report/Outstanding Matters: Outstanding matters include repairs to trim trail, this is partially complete, Fenland Leisure sent the wrong size cap sleeves and loose chain to be attached.	
727.2	Planning & Environment Committee A meeting has been arranged for 4 th February. Tree works order at 8 Lanes End was discussed, the Parish Council have no comment to make. Cllr Owers reported on meeting of Sandpit steering group. The group is useful as the Council gains useful information on quarries in the area. One area of note is that it is now 10 years since Sheepcote Quarry was infilled and it is now out the care time table, given the proximity of the SSI wood, this is noteworthy. Funding for holding meetings has been withdrawn from April and this puts the future of the group in doubt.	
727.3	Sports & Recreation Committee: A meeting has been arranged for 11 th February	
727.4	Cemetery Management Committee A meeting has been arranged for 11 th February	
727.5	Finance Committee: Nothing to report. Meeting to be arranged for March	
728	MATTERS FOR RESOLUTION	
728.1	To allow Shared Access to further investigate locating a mobile phone mast on Thrift Road recreation ground. Shared Access asked for confirmation of three points, (1) to grant Shared Access permission to proceed with the site surveys – this was agreed, (2) to use Muckle LLP as legal representation should matters proceed, this was agreed. (3) accept in principle the financial offer of £28,000 for 30-year lease. Clerk is to advise Shared Access that the Parish Council reserve their rights on this offer until further information was made available. Proposed by Cllr Ellis, seconded by Cllr Fitzpatrick. It was resolved.	
728.2	To accept quotation from Ivan Quince Stonemasons to repair erect the headstones laid down in the December monument safety test, in sum of £1031 plus VAT. This is more than allocated in the budget but there has been no expenditure on stone repair in the previous two years. After some discussion Cllr Hawes proposed approval, Cllr Fitzpatrick seconded. It was resolved.	



729	VILLAGE MATTERS.	
729.1	Dementia friendly communities. Clerk has invited a speaker to come to the village in June. Clerk to arrange a time and publicise.	Clerk
729.2	Dog Control measures in public places. A number of signs have been erected by CBC. It was agreed to move one from Bryant's Lane and place in Thrift Road. Also the Parish Council to erect more prominent signs at the entrance from Thrift Road and also Copt Hill to the Thrift Road. Cllr Owers to draft wording and quotes to be obtained.	Owers
729.3	Update on Woburn Road speed hump. Cllr Gell confirmed that Mr Gell had examined the specification for the hump and it is at an acceptable standard. Mr Gell has offered to physically check that the hump has been built to the standard.	Gell
729.4	Disabled Ramp at Bryant's Lane. Clerk reported that Alan Trille from CBC will draw up some proposals which can then be costed.	
729.5	HGVs through the Village. Cllr Versallion has informed the Clerk of the name of the relevant officer, Mr Cook. Clerk to contact	Clerk
729.6	Clean for Queen. Clerk informed the meeting about the initiative for a national litter pick over 4 th , 5 th 6 th March. Parish Council do not wish to register for this.	
729.7	Beacons for Queens 90 th Birthday Celebration – it was pointed out that Leighton Linslade will be lighting a beacon	
729.8	Cutting allotment hedge timetable. It was stressed that this must take place during February, Cllr Inns to action this.	Inns
729.9	Green Infrastructure funding Cllr Beilby presented this an option to consider. It was discussed and agreed that it was for larger projects and therefore not suitable for Heath and Reach.	
729.10	Parking on Pavements and Verges. In parts of the village this is a serious problem and the Clerk was asked to again contact CBC. It is understood that the police will come out if the vehicle is causing an obstruction.	Clerk
729.11	Christmas Tree Update Cllr Beilby reported that it is possible to buy a living tree from Maulden wood for £2.50-£3 per foot, Cllr Beilby to find out more, such as if they offer a planting service.	Beilby
730	FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	
730.1	Cashbook Summary & Bank Account Balances. Checked and signed by Cllr Inns Current account £20,193.91 Savings account £61,056.44	
730.2	Cheques Markland Gardens £405.96 Axatax £222.00 Fire FM £151.20 CPM Playgrounds £108.00 Michele Green £ 80.85 Heath Village Barn £ 52.00 Fenland Leisure £ 36.54 Francesca Sheppard salary January £ 520.12	
730.3	Direct Debits & Standing Orders Cheaper Waste £ 60.53 Eon £ 62.00 Eon £10.00 Anglian Water £57.00 M Redwood Green £43.33	
730.4	Administration CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED OTHER MATTERS of interest Clerk reported that there is to be a Village Party to celebrate the Queen's 90 th birthday and asked if the Parish Council would like to contribute financially. It was agreed to put this on the March agenda.	
	Meeting closed at 8.05pm	



Agenda prepared