

July 2017

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 3rd July 2017 at 7.00pm in the Village Barn, Eastern Way, Heath & Reach.

Minutes

899	INTRODUCTION:	Reporting / Actio
899.1	Meeting Attendees: Cllrs Thyer, Inns, Malone, Owers, Gell. Clerk in attendance and one member of the electorate,	
899.2	Apologies for Absence: Cllr Beilby work commitment, Cllr Green – holiday, Cllr Fitzpatrick school commitment, Cllr Versallion	
899.3	Declarations of Interest Cllr Thyer - cheque Creative Solutions Cllr Inns - United Charities Trust	
900	APPROVAL OF PARISH COUNCIL / COMMITTEE MINUTES:	
900.1	Approval of Minutes from June 2017 Full Council. Resolved and signed by Cllr Thyer	
900.2	Approval of Minutes from June 2017 Planning Committee. Resolved and signed by Cllr Owers	
900.3	Approval of Minutes from June 2017 Sports and Recreation Committee. Resolved and signed by Cllr Malone	
900.4	Approval of Minutes from June 2017 Cemetery Committee. Resolved and signed by Cllr Malone	
900.5	Approval of Minutes from June 2017 Finance Committee. Resolved and signed by Cllr Inns	
901	PUBLIC FORUM	
	Mr Terry Ellis spoke in favour of the bus shelter. He said that design and appearance is a subjective	
	issue but the key point is that the shelter does not obstruct drivers vision and the proposed location tight against the hedgerow will minimise its impact. Mr Ellis said it is the duty of the Parish Council	
	to consider the needs of the few who are reliant on the bus or who wish to use the bus pass	
	concession. Furthermore, Mr Ellis said the position of the location of the bus shelter will encourage	
	people not to wait outside the neighbouring property.	
902	Central Bedfordshire Councillor Mark Versallion Report Read out in his absence "I will be speaking	
302	against the turbine at the 19 July planning meeting at Chicksands. I have met with the action group	
	and coordinating talking points. HRPC should be invited to speak too. I will also be at the	
	councillors site visit on 16th."	
903	Police Report This had been previously circulated to the parish councillors.	
904	MATTERS ARISING – for information only	
904.1	Speed Indicator devices location and installation. Cllr Thyer and Tony Markland have fitted two of	
	the speed indicator devices and they seem to have a positive impact in slowing down traffic. The	
	third will be installed when some missing brackets arrive from the suppliers. Cllr Thyer to speak to	
	the suppliers regarding the data capture.	
904.2	Stone Lane Community Woodland This is now complete	
904.3	Car Park Lease renewal Bryants Lane. Clerk has instructed Ray Nixon Brown to act for the Parish	1
	Council	
904.5	Bus Shelter. The consultation was inconclusive with nine responses in favour and nine against. The	
	cost of a smaller wooden shelter is in excess of £6,000 which was considered too much, Cllr Inns,	1
	speaking on behalf of United Charities Trust, reiterated concerns on the location of the shelter	
	against the hedge of the millennium garden and the difficulty and extra expense in cutting the	
	hedges. The Parish Council agreed to pay for the additional cost incurred. As there are three	
	members not at the meeting it was agreed to put it for resolution on the September agenda.	
905	PARISH COUNCIL REPORT	
905.1	Clerk Report Cllr Inns asked the Clerk to write to the properties on Birds Hill where the bins are left	
	on the pavement all week creating an obstruction and an eyesore.	
905.2	Planning & Environment Committee: Clerk passed Cllr Owers an application for 8 Pinkle Hill.	
	Meeting to be arranged.	
905.3	Sports & Recreation Committee: NFR	1
905.4	Cemetery Management Committee: NFR.	
905.5	Finance Committee: NFR	



906	MATTERS FOR RESOLUTION	
906.1	Purchase of rugby practice posts and protectors for Bryants Lane not exceeding £1,100. The quotes provided were for a pair of posts. The purchase was agreed in principle, Clerk to obtain further and better quotations for one set.	
906.2	Digital mapping package including Cemetery mapping and database, training and technical support not exceeding £3050. Proposed by Cllr Owers, seconded Cllr Thyer. It was resolved Purchase of 2 no. replacement bins at Bryants Lane not exceeding £450. Proposed by Cllr Inns and seconded by Cllr Owers	
907	VILLAGE MATTERS.	
907.1	Hedges at Birds Hill. Cllr Inns explained that the hedges were the responsibility of the allotments and the verges, undergrowth are the Parish Council. The hedges are due to be cut in February. Clerk to check the tender from Reynolds Landscaping regarding verges. Clerk was also asked to write to the golf club to remind them that the hedge on Leighton Road is their responsibility. Tony Markland to be asked to relocate the trees to fence at Thrift Road in the Autumn	
908	FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	
908.1	Cashbook Summary & Bank Account Balances Current Account £37,891.93 Reserve Account £61,098.58	
	Cheques	
	Markland Gardens £380.00	
	Francesca Sheppard salary July £601.92	
	Francesca Sheppard salary August £503.42	
	Francesca Sheppard expenses £70.10	
	Michele Green £89.00	
	A Quinn electrician £300.00	
	Creative Solutions £30.00	
	R Thyer padlocks £15.58 Reynolds Landscaping £637.20	
	Community Heartbeat Trust £38.00	
	Direct Debits & Standing Orders	
	Cheaper Waste £177.07	
	Anglian Water £105.50	
	M Redwood Green £43.33	
<u>909</u>	Administration	
909.1	CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED	
909.2	OTHER MATTERS of interest	
	Meeting closed at 7.30pm	