



**June 2016**  
**HEATH & REACH PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES**

Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2016 at 7.00pm in the  
Village Barn, Eastern Way, Heath & Reach.

761	<b>INTRODUCTION:</b>	<b>Reporting / Action</b>
761.1	Meeting Attendees: Cllrs Thyer, Ellis, Green, Gell, Inns, Beilby, Owers, Clerk and one member of the electorate in attendance.	
761.2	Apologies for Absence: Cllr Fitzpatrick school meeting and Cllr Hawes	
	Declarations of Interest: None	
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762.1	<b>APPROVAL OF PARISH COUNCIL / COMMITTEE MINUTES:</b>	
762.2	Approval of Minutes from May 2016 Full Council Signed by Cllr Thyer	
762.3	Approval of Minutes from May 2016 Annual General Meeting signed by Cllr Thyer	
	Approval of Minutes from May 2016 Planning Committee Signed by Cllr Beilby	
763	<b>PUBLIC FORUM</b> – 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. Mr Strofton expressed concern about the location of the planted Christmas tree on the green. After discussion it was agreed that it should be relocated in October to a better position in relation to the electrical supply and not to overshadow the existing tree.	
764	Central Bedfordshire Councillor Mark Versallion Report. Cllr Versallion was not present but had informed Cllr Ellis that he had called in the planning application relating to the Checkley Wood Wind Turbine	
765	Police Report: Clerk has been in contact with the local PCSO and invited them to this meeting or at least to provide a report on progress with the recent spate of burglaries in the village. No response had been received. The latest update was in April so nothing further to report.	
766	<b>MATTERS ARISING</b> – for information only	Clerk  Fitzpatrick  Clerk
756.1	Shared Access inspection update: Clerk had spoken to Shared Access today who are waiting for a date from their surveyors before any further progress can be made.	
756.2	HGVs through the village Clerk to remind Cllr Versallion that he is to arrange a meeting with Mr Salmon from CBC about this.	
756.4	Speed Limits in the village: Clerk had a response from Paul Salmon from CBC regarding speed limiting measures which had been circulated to the members. Clerk to obtain a quotation for 'smiley face' Speed Indication Devices for one on old Linslade Road and one on Woburn Road. Cllr	
758.1	Fitzpatrick to be asked for an update on speed gun volunteer scheme.	
759.3	Parish Council website. Cllr Green and Beilby have both been on holiday so nothing to report. Community Asset update. Clerk has an application form to complete to register the CoOp and is awaiting a response from CBC regarding any related costs etc.	
767	<b>PARISH COUNCIL REPORTS</b>	
767.1	Clerk Report/Outstanding Matter: Nothing to report	
767.2	Planning & Environment Committee: A meeting to take place this evening to discuss the Checkley Wood Turbine application.	
767.3	Sports and Recreation Committee: Bryant's Lane repairs. Clerk had contacted the contractor who has been delayed on other work but hopes to begin at Bryant's Lane in 4 weeks i.e. w/c 27 <sup>th</sup> June. Meeting scheduled for Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	
767.4	Cemetery Management Committee: Meeting scheduled for Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	
767.5	Finance Committee: Meeting scheduled for 7 <sup>th</sup> July	
768	<b>MATTERS FOR RESOLUTION</b>	
759.1	To approve the purchase of two grit bins to be located on Abbey Walk and Emu Close not exceeding £80 each. <b>This was resolved.</b> (subject to CBC agreement to location)	
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759.1	<b>VILLAGE MATTERS.</b>	
760.1	Bus Shelters: Clerk awaiting response from highways/planning	
760.1	CBC Transport Strategy. Cllr Ellis asked that the Parish Council emphasises the importance of the 150 and 37 bus service to the village in their response to CBC.	
769.3	Reaction to wind turbine meeting. Cllr Ellis had circulated his notes on the village meeting held on 26 <sup>th</sup> May. Clerk was asked to send these notes to Andrew Selous MP. Cllr Ellis also said that he had attended a meeting of the action group Stop Checkley Wood Turbine. (SCWT) in a personal capacity and requested that the Parish Council consider contributing towards the costs incurred by the action group, which specifically are £470 for flyers and £180 for website and a cheap mobile phone. There was discussion as to whether a contribution to an action group was a suitable use of villager's money. Cllr Ellis proposed a £400 contribution but this was considered too much given that other Parish Councils are involved and a figure closer to £200 was discussed. Also the application is yet to be formally discussed by the Parish Council. Clerk to investigate rules regarding contributions to action groups and place on the agenda for the July meeting	
770	<b>FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION</b>	
770.1	Cashbook Summary & Bank Account Balances	
	A number of small items were corrected and revised accounts are to be issued.	
	The bank statements were checked and signed by Cllr Inns	
	Current account Balance at 31 <sup>st</sup> May £31,852.25	
770.2	Savings account balance £61,065.44	
	<b>Cheques</b>	
	Markland Gardens £320.00	
	Val Moles £ 50.00	
	Axatax £222.00	
	Mark Stasiuk £345.00	
	Michele Green £64.85	
	Francesca Sheppard salary £475.21	
	Francesca Sheppard expenses £21.44	
	<b>Direct Debits &amp; Standing Orders</b>	
	Cheaper Waste £ 60.53	
	Eon £62.00	
	Eon £10.00	
	Anglian Water £57.00	
	M Redwood Green £43.33	
	<b>Administration</b>	
	<b>CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED</b>	
	Mr Fuller had sent an email asking for clarification on issues regarding the broadband access in the village. The Clerk to forward to Cllr Versallion for his response. Mr Fuller also asked that the organisers of the village party on 4 <sup>th</sup> June be formally thanked.	
	<b>OTHER MATTERS of interest</b>	
	Cllr Beilby said that a group of cyclists were going across Copt Hill on Saturday and he was worried this was dangerous. Vehicles are prohibited but not bicycles and further action does not seem appropriate.	
	Cllr Green reported a missing manhole cover on a verge in Woburn Road. Clerk stated all highways issues to be reported directly through the CBC highways portal.	
	<b>Meeting closed at 7.50pm</b>	