

September 2015 HEATH & REACH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes

Meeting held on Monday 7th September in the Village Barn, Eastern Way, Heath & Reach

571	INTRODUCTION:	Reporting
571.1	Meeting Attendees Cllrs Thyer, Inns, Gell, Fitzpatrick, Owers, Beilby, Ellis, Hawes	Actions
_	In attendance, Clerk, Cllr Versallion, one member of the electorate, Mrs K Green	
571.2	Apologies for Absence Cllr Green - holiday	
571.3	Declarations of Interest Cllr Thyer/ Creative Solutions invoice for sign and paint	
572	APPROVAL OF PARISH COUNCIL / COMMITTEE MINUTES:	
572.1	Approval of Minutes from July Full Council Approved and signed Cllr Thyer	
572.2	Approval of Minutes from 1 st June Planning committee meeting Approved and signed Cllr Beilby	
572.3	Approval of minutes from 17 th July Planning committee meeting Approved and signed Cllr Beilby	
573	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.	
	Mrs Green asked if there was any update on the application for the wind turbine. She explained	
	that there were a number of people in the village who were against a second turbine as it would	
	obliterate the view and change the character of the village. There has not yet been an application	
	lodged with Central Bedfordshire Council, once the application has been made, there will be a	
	period of 8 to 12 weeks and Cllr Versallion has confirmed that he has requested that the application	
	is called in for consultation which will give the Parish Council time to comment. Mrs Green also	
	raised concern about site investigations in Brickhill Road, but there is no further information on this.	
574	Central Bedfordshire Councillor Mark Versallion Report Cllr Versallion informed the Parish Council	
	that Arnold White Estates do have a long term plan for Checkleywood Farm once the quarrying was	
	complete (latest date 2042 but could be sooner). The initial proposal for 4000 homes was lodged in	
	response to a call for sites from Central Bedfordshire Council but this was immediately shelved due	
	the scale. The land is currently green belt but this may change over the next 25 years, Cllr	
	Versallion's view was that development was not likely in the short term.	
	Cllr Versallion is to make a site visit to Double Arches Farm to assess the owner's plans as the owner	
	has a history of seeking sites suitable for travelling show people.	
	Mile Tree Road enquiry date has been set for 19 th April 2016. Cllr Ellis asked if the Parish Council	
	could resubmit the parish council's views. Cllr Versallion confirmed this was the case.	
	Cllr Versallion has requested a site visit to Bryant's Lane and Reach Lane Quarries to assess vehicle	
	movements. His view being that an increase in the number of vehicle movements would speed up	
	the infill and so provide an amenity to the village. This view was countered with the safety issue of	
	vehicles backing up on to Woburn Road.	
575	Police Report . The CPSOs were unable to stay for the meeting but were asked earlier to increase	
675	the monitoring of illegal parking on the zebra crossings and also given the recent vandalism at	
	Bryant's Lane to show an increased presence there. July crime statistic were received.	
576	MATTERS ARISING – for information only	
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595.1	Tenancy agreement at Bryant's Lane update. Clerk reported that the boxing club is unwilling to sign	Clerk
	a 5 year agreement but want to continue as tenants. Sports and Recreation Committee to formalise	
	this agreement and discuss an increase in the rent.	
577	PARISH COUNCIL REPORTS	
577.1	Clerk Report/Outstanding Matters. Clerk to chase the new railings for the clock tower.	Clerk
577.2	Planning & Environment Committee: Quarry Liaison report had been previously circulated by Cllr	Owers
	Owers and it was agreed it was a useful meeting and they are now to be bi- annual, the next one in	
	late Spring. Cllr Beilby reported on P3 meeting who have asked for written confirmation from Alan	
	Trille of CBC on the cutting scheme for Gig Lane. The registering of Birds Hill green as an official	
	village green was discussed it was agreed to proceed. Cllr Beilby to progress,	
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