



HEATH & REACH PARISH COUNCIL



November 2018

MINUTES of Meeting held on Monday 5th November at 7pm in Heath Village Barn

Item No.	Minutes	Reporting / Action
140	INTRODUCTION:	
140.1	Meeting Attendees: Cllrs Thyer, Fitzpatrick, Beilby, Chivers, Green, Inns, Malone, Owers, Smith. Clerk and three members of the electorate in attendance.	
140.2	Apologies for Absence: Cllr Versallion	
140.3	Declarations of Interest : Cllr Thyer – Creative Solutions payment & item 145.2	
141	APPROVAL OF PARISH COUNCIL / COMMITTEE MINUTES:	
141.1	Approval of full Parish Council minutes from October 2018. Approved and signed by Cllr Inns.	
141.2	Approval of Planning Committee minutes from October 2018. signed by Cllr Green.	
141.3	Approval of Sports and Recreation Committee minutes from October 2018. signed by Cllr Malone.	
141.4	Approval of Cemetery minutes from October 2018 signed by Cllr Malone	
141.5	Approval of Finance minutes from November 2018 to be signed December meeting.	
142.1	<p>PUBLIC FORUM –Mr Ellis raised three points of concern. (1)) Mr Ellis reiterated his concern over the upkeep of the Millennium Garden, he does not consider it to be a good standard and could see no noticeable progress since he last raised the matter before the Parish Council, he acknowledged that the path was clear of weeds and the hedge had been cut. Cllr Chivers volunteered to meet Reynolds Landscape to assess. (2) The memorial plaque to Sara Gordon at Thrift Road playground has slipped down the railings, Cllr Thyer said he would repair. (3) Mr Ellis expressed his view that the Clerk should not have minuted an address on Thrift Road that was discussed in the September meeting. on the grounds of privacy.</p> <p>Ms Vadher and Mr Boyden asked about the possibility of making the dogs on lead section of Thrift Road more secure so that that it could be used for training purposes and dogs could be safely let of the lead. This request was challenged but Cllr Thyer said it would be put on the December Agenda for further discussion.</p>	
142.2	Central Bedfordshire Councillor Mark Versallion Report Cllr Versallion has spoken to the Clerk and said he was involved in discussions with the planners about the Stern Lane /Shenley Hill Road application and will report further. Clerk to ask Cllr Versallion to chase a date for the site visit to Double Arches.	
142.3	Police Report These are circulated to the Council when they are emailed to the Clerk and are also available on the Parish Council website.	
143	MATTERS ARISING – for information only	
143.1	Website Update Clerk reported that the website was ready to be published. She was asked to make the signposting to village amenities clearer and then to proceed.	
143.2	Remembrance Sunday – representation Cllrs Smith and Malone agreed to liaise so that the parish council was represented. Clerk has been assured by the Remembered Charity that the Tommy silhouette would be delivered by 9 th November	



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144	PARISH COUNCIL REPORT	
144.1	Cemetery Management Committee: Nothing further to report.	
144.2	Finance Committee: Preliminary budget meeting has been held	
144.3	Planning & Environment Committee: Meeting to follow this one. Cllr Green is still unhappy about the response from CBC over the Emu Close matter, where the Parish Council comments were not taken into consideration. Cllr Beilby asked if there was a ticket number or some form of acknowledgement when the Clerk submitted through the portal. Clerk to investigate.	
144.5	Sports & Recreation Committee: Clerk reported two further regular weekly bookings at the courts this week, @ £22.	
145	MATTERS FOR RESOLUTION	
145.1	To purchase Christmas tree not exceeding £350. Proposed Richard Thyer , seconded Cllr Fitzpatrick. It was resolved	
145.2	To Installation of Christmas Lights on Heath Green not exceeding £250. Proposed Cllr Fitzpatrick, seconded Cllr Beilby It was resolved.	
145.3	To purchase of sundries for Carols on the Green not exceeding £50. Proposed Cllr Beilby, seconded Cllr Thyer. It was resolved.	
145.4	To purchase of token of thanks for Community Payback team not exceeding £50, Proposed Cllr Fitzpatrick , seconded Cllr Thyer. It was resolved.	
146	VILLAGE MATTERS	
146.1	Clarification of rules on advertising boards on registered village greens, Clerk has been visited a number of times by a villager selling their house on Lanes End after an Estate Agents sign board was removed. She has asked for clarification on the rules on advertising on a village green. The Parish Council confirmed that it is a registered village green and no advertising is permitted. The Clerk asked if the sign could go up by the steps and was told it could go on the RHS of the steps (looking from Birds Hill)	
146.2	Oxford to Cambridge link Road update Cllr Chivers and Green attended a presentation by Highways England in Flitwick today. It was a useful meeting where the preferred corridor for the route was explained. There are two options within this corridor under consideration. The first is from Abingdon, using existing highways to the west of Oxford to Winslow. The second option is from Abingdon, using a route to the east of Oxford to Winslow. From Winslow, the route will continue within the identified corridor to meet the A421 near junction 13 of the M1. The corridor passes to the north of Heath and Reach, with its southern boundary near Bow Brickhill/ Woburn Sands and its northern boundary just north of Bletchley. The councillors were given assurance that SSSIs are being given the highest priority when deciding the final route and that further consultations with local councils are planned. Whilst the road will not come through Heath and Reach, it will have some impact if it creates a rat run. The planners are looking for parish councils to make them aware of issues and any traffic calming data could help with funding for future traffic calming measures. It is envisaged that the Expressway will bring an extra 384,000 people within a 45 minute drive of Milton Keynes. The plan is for the works to start in 2025, following a traffic consultation in 2020, with the road opening in 2030.	
146.3	Telephone Kiosk – book store. Clerk has been asked by Mrs Green if the Parish Council would support the adoption of the telephone kiosk on Birds Hill as a book store. The phone box is still in use, so this is not possible.	



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147 147.1	FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION Cashbook Summary & Bank Account Balances Markland Gardens £320.00 Markland Gardens (Clock) £75.00 Creative Solutions £211.18 CPM Playground Equipment £108.00 Heath Village Barn £81.25 Francesca Sheppard £676.50 Francesca Sheppard expenses £33.49 Michele Green £54.00 Reynolds Landscaping £757.20 Royal British Legion £ 33.00 Direct Debits/Standing Orders Cheaper Waste £63.07 SSE £ 0 SSE £ 0 Anglian Water £77.50 M Redwood Green £43.33	
148.	Administration /OTHER MATTERS of interest Clerk and Cllr Green attended the Dementia Friendly Village at the Church Hall in October which they found insightful and were able to pass on some useful information to the Parish Council. Cllr Beilby asked if there were any issues he should raise at the Rushmere User group. He will ask when the barriers at Thrift Road will be operational. Cllr Green said there was a lot of litter at Bryants Lane, this could be due to the firework celebrations at the weekend. Meeting Closed at 7.50pm	