



# HEATH & REACH PARISH COUNCIL



## Agenda

Dear Electorate, you are invited to attend the meeting of the Full Parish Council to be held on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025 at 7.00pm at The Village Barn, Eastern Way, Heath & Reach

Signed – S D Grierson-Hill

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**09.25.0 INTRODUCTION:**

- a) Meeting attendees:
- b) Apologies for absence:
- c) Absentees:

**09.25.1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

**09.25.2 APPROVAL OF PARISH COUNCIL/COMMITTEE MINUTES:**

- a) Approval of full Parish Council minutes for July 2025:

**09.25.3 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.

**09.25.4 PARISH COUNCIL REPORTS:**

- a) CBC Councillor Mark Versallion report:
- b) Clerks report:

**09.25.5 MATTERS ARISING (for info only):**

- a) Traffic Calming update:
- b) Speed watch update:
- c) Extension of lease agreement on Bryants Lane car park & pavilion:
- d) Poppy display update from Heath Barn Birds WI.
- e) Millenium Gardens claim following motoring incident:

**09.25.6 Planning & Environment:**

- a) **CB/25/02339/FULL – Land off Eastern Way.** Improvements to existing access to include replacement of existing fencing and gates and creation of a new internal track.
- b) **CB/TCA/25/00362 – 9Lanes End.** Fell Cyprus tree within front garden, previously topped, poorly shaped specimen.
- c) **CB/25/02223/FULL – Double Arches mobile home park.** Revised planning application further to CB/23/01630/FULL and APP/P0240/W/24/335531 to include additional 4 travelling showman pitches, erection of courtyard building for maintenance of fairground equipment together retention of existing hardstanding and proposed landscape & biodiversity enhancements.
- d) Public consultation response regarding new homes southeast of Vandyke Road. Any response to be received by 15<sup>th</sup> September.
- e) **CB/25/02340/FULL - Stone Lane Quarry.** Installation of a solar array comprising: ground mounted fixed tilt bifacial solar panels; string inverters; transformer; substation; underground cables and conduits; perimeter fence; temporary construction compound; and associated

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infrastructure and planting scheme.

- f) **CB/25/02520/VOC** **CB/25/02520/VOC Location: Glascoed, Reach Lane.** Proposal: Variation of condition number 2 of planning permission CB/25/01031/FULL (Single-storey rear/side extension, two-storey side extension, front porch, and new roof over existing first floor bedroom with removal of balcony) Variation sought: Change approved plan no. DD 24/093.2 to DD 24/093.3.

## 09.25.7 **MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION & RESOLUTION (where possible)**

- a) **Quarry work to Reach Green.** Condition 7 of planning application CB/19/01753/MW requires work to a small area of Reach Green. Works involved would see the removal of a small area within Reach Green to allow for a more effective turning circle for the lorries when exiting the quarry. During the planning application, process support was granted by the Parish Council for this work, and it was contingent on the provision of a new pavement to be built down the side of Heath Inn car park connecting to the existing pavement on Woburn Road and the full restoration of Reach Green once the operation at the quarry ceases. Motion – to consider condition 7 work is necessary.
- b) **Local plan & nature Local Plan and Local Nature Recovery Strategy.**
- c) **Renewal of clock tower service agreement.** Current service agreement has expired. Smiths of Derby have offered the following service for 2026-2028:  
Payment in advance for full 3 years - £993.00 plus VAT.  
Annual payment £364.00 plus VAT  
Motion – PC to consider best option and vote on payment in advance or annual payment.
- d) **Planning nuts and bolts training session.** Cllrs. Ellis, Reading & White wish to attend training session. 24<sup>th</sup> September £35.00 per attendee.  
Motion – to agree on £105.00 training fee.
- e) **CPRE greenbelt petition.** Bedfordshire's Green Belt remains under constant pressure. Changes to recent planning legislation are making it easier for developers to secure planning permissions within the Green Belt.  
CPRE Hertfordshire have launched a petition which calls on the Government to urgently amend the definition of 'grey belt' to uphold vital Green Belt protection.  
Motion – to consider PC's view on signing petition.
- f) **Notice board Thrift Road.** TM unable to remove.  
**Motion – to consider quote for removal.**
- g) **Toad patrol grant.** Patrol Manager has applied for a grant of £260.04 to cover costs of new signage due to theft and vandalism of original signs.  
Motion – to consider grant approval.
- h) **Bus service.** H & R have recently found out that the current X4 service that runs north and south of the Village is to be stopped. Details of replaced service to be provided.
- i) **Clerks pay rise** (in line with NJC for Local Government Services)  
Motion – to consider and accept new pay scale.
- j) **Hiring of Bryants Lane Sports Field.**  
Heath FC wish to use grass sports field for training and matches. Heath FC to maintain grass area. Use of changing rooms to be provided.



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Motion – to agree to use of field and costs for one off clean of changing rooms and re-instatement of electricity.

**k) Millenium Gardens –future maintenance of area.**

Motion – to consider options for replanting/ creating low maintenance area.

**09.25.8 FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION:**

a)	Treasurers: £	TBC	Savings: £	TBC
	32 day notice account: £	TBC	Unity Bank: £	TBC
			August	September
b)	<b>Payments:</b>			
	Markland Gardens	£	425.00	TBC
	Reynold Landscapes (Monthly grass cutting)	£	684.00	TBC
	Sue Grierson-Hill	£	1,054.62	TBC
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	Community Heartbeat		0	£ 20.34
	BATPC		0	£ 105.00
	One Group	£	72.00	TBC
	Simplink	£	425.00	0
	c)	<b>Direct debits/Standing orders:</b>		
Bri Gas (Bryants Lane)		£	TBC	
Bri Gas (Clock tower)		£	TBC	
Litter picker (Bryants Lane)		£	TBC	
Anglian Water		£	45.00	
NEST Pension		£	TBC	
Waste Managed		£	TBC	

**09.25.9 AOB/ Items to go on next agenda:**

**09.25.10 Date of next meeting:**

Meeting closed at:

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