



# HEATH & REACH PARISH COUNCIL



## Draft Minutes

### of the Full Parish Council Meeting at The Village Barn, Eastern Way, Heath & Reach on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 7pm

#### 07.22 Introduction:

##### a) Meeting attendees:

Cllrs. Thyer, Fitzpatrick, Boyden, O'Brien, Inns & Loomes, Clerk and 7 members of the Public

##### b) Apologies for absence:

Cllr. Bevan – (granted)

Cllr. Smith – (granted)

Cllr. Piciorus – (granted)

##### c) Absentees: None

#### 07.22.1 Declarations of interest: None

#### 07.22.2a) Approval of Parish Council minutes for June 2022 – approved and signed by Cllr. Fitzpatrick

##### b) Approval of Cemetery Committee minutes for June 2022 - approved and signed by Cllr. Fitzpatrick

##### c) Approval of Social & Recreation minutes for June 2022 - approved and signed by Cllr. Fitzpatrick

#### 07.22.3 Public Forum:

All public present attended the meeting to express their concerns and objections regarding the planning application CB/22/01663/FULL. The Parish Council advised them to register their objections on Central Bedfordshire Council's planning applications website.

#### 07.22.4 CBS Councillor Mark Versallion – Cllr. Versallion was unable to attend, no report with updates received.

#### 07.02.5

##### **Matters arising:**

##### **Update on Highway speed restrictions, speed watch & path widening.**

Clerk spoke to Contract Manager at CBC regarding update on plans for the traffic calming measures. He was due to hold a meeting with Ringway Jacobs on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July but confirmed verbally that plans would not be drawn up until the Parish Council confirm they are not going ahead with the average speed cameras. The Parish Council feel they cannot make an informed decision on this without seeing what CBC are offering as traffic calming. Clerk to go back to Contract Manager and request plans are drawn up, further update.

**Path widening plans** - are going to happen regardless of input, however there is a meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> July 2022 which the Parish Council will be attending and will feed back in September.

**Speed watch** – this is proving successful and has now been carried out at a number of sites within the Village. Most recently, Leighton Road at 6pm out of 242 vehicles 13 were over 35mph, Woburn Road, 291 vehicles, 10 over 35mph and Linslade Road, 172 vehicles, 6 over 35mph. In total all sites have been visited 6 times and about 4.2% of cars are driving over the threshold. More sites have been requested including Birds Hill and Brickhill Road.

#### 07.22.6

##### **Planning applications:**

- a) **CB/20/02199/FULL Checkley Wood Farm – Change of use & recladding of 5no former agricultural buildings to B8 storage use for vehicles, valeting, cleaning & prep of cars for sale.**  
**Change of use of 1no former stable building for Ancillary Domestic Storage (retrospective)**  
Concern was raised regarding the volume of traffic, entrance and exit to this Property. Sight of the traffic survey information will assist in a decision. Further information required from CBC.
- b) **CB/22/01663/FULL Bakers Wood Farm, Woburn Road – The retrospective change of use of land to mixed agricultural and equestrian use, construction of farm track and erection of 6no stables to allow for keeping and exercising of horses and ponies for personal use.**  
There were many concerns regarding this application, most notably the fact that it is greenbelt land. The Parish Council do not want any form of building on green belt land surrounding the Village. Other things taken into consideration were the tight access off Woburn Road, hazardous waste being created, the possibility of vermin, smells, and no water supply in the field. Objection - by majority vote.

**07.22.8 Financial administration:**

**a) Treasurers account:** £32,113.58      **Savings:** £125049.27

**b) Payments:**

Reynolds Landscaping	£ 914.16
Markland Gardens	£ 545.00
Sue Grierson Hill	£ 682.33
HMRC	£ 176.32
Sue Grierson-Hill (expenses)	£ 30.00
Heath Village Barn	£ 15.00
CPM Playgrounds	£ 186.00
Simplink	£ 465.00
Pozitive Energy	£ 347.41
Creative Solutions	£ 59.99
SSP	£1060.00

**c) Direct Debits/Standing orders:**

British Gas (Clock tower)	£ 17.72
British Gas (Bryants Lane)	£ 41.83
Alan Ward	£ 43.33
Anglian Water	£ 68.00
Waste Management Ltd	£ 90.00

**07.22.09 Review of projects:**

SID's (speed indication devices) – these have been taken down for repair and will be back up as soon as possible.

**07.22.10 Date of next meeting:**

September 5<sup>th</sup> 2022 at 7pm

Meeting closed at 7.46pm