



MEETING

Minutes of meeting of the Full Parish Council held.

At 7pm on Monday 1st November 2021

At The Village Barn, Eastern Way, Heath & Reach

Item No	Agenda	Reporting / Action
650	INTRODUCTION:	
650.1	Meeting Attendees: Cllrs Fitzpatrick, O'Brien, Inns, Bevan, Piciorus Cllr Versallion, Clerk and Webmaster in attendance.	
650.2	Apologies for Absence: Cllrs Thyer, Boyden, Smith. Absent Cllr Chivers.	
650.3	Declarations of Interest:	
651.	APPROVAL OF PARISH COUNCIL / COMMITTEE MINUTES:	
651.1	Approval of Full Parish Council minutes October 2021 Approved Cllr Fitzpatrick	
651.2	Approval of Finance Minutes October 2021 Approved Cllr Fitzpatrick	
652	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. No one present	
652.1	Central Bedfordshire Councillor Mark Versallion Report Update New link road from M1 to A6 has been announced, part of Oxford Cambridge arc, will bring 3500 more houses North of Houghton Regis, Cllr Versallion does not think it will impact on Heath and Reach but wanted the PC to be aware. Cllr Versallion has requested the mobile CCTV be deployed in the village 'hot spots' to catch fly tippers, this has happened and will continue at varying intervals. When residents see fly tipping and report to Fix My Street, if there is an address they can be prosecuted. Cllr Versallion has been speaking to planning officers re the Section 106 for the Bryants Lane Quarry restoration , there has been a hold up at CBC, this is now progressing. This will enable LBSS to build a	

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	<p>bund at the back of Grange Gardens to limit noise and dust, the planning application for this is dependent on the Section 106 agreement. It is unfortunate there is a delay as the winter months are ideal to build the bund when windows are closed and people less likely to be sitting in their gardens. Cllr Inns asked that the residents of Grange Gardens be kept updated, Cllr Versallion has suggested that a letter from LBBS be circulated.</p> <p>Land next to Church: Cllr Versallion has discussed this with the owner and told him it was, in his opinion, highly unlikely it will get planning permission for the same reasons as it was previously refused. The land has been left overgrown and unkempt, environmental enforcement officers have been there and have written to the owner to let him to tidy up the site, which has been done to a certain extent.</p> <p>Traffic Calming: Cllr Versallion received an email last week from CBC saying they did not believe there was a case to have speed cameras in the village, which is a direct contradiction from earlier emails. They say the police data shows a 22% non-compliance, this does not consider the level of the non-compliance and the behaviour of the drivers. Cllr Versallion to meet Darryl Harvey, Head of Highways, and his deputy Paul Salmon in the next week. The evidence is undisputable, the parish council have the funds, the police have no problem as long as Highways are satisfied, the council have gone back on previous emails. Highways have said they would initially want to see physical traffic calming measures, e.g., pinch points, Clerk reminded the PC that there was a meeting over 2 years ago where it was agreed to install these, but nothing has happened. Cllr Inns asked that Cllr Versallion pass on the frustration of the Parish Council. It would be a good idea to get the physical pinch points costed. Cllr Piciorus said there was an accident on Birds Hill recently, Cllr Versallion asked for details so he could inform Highways Cllr Versallion will update the PC on the meeting prior to the next meeting.</p> <p>Police Report Clerk to circulate when received.</p>	
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653	MATTERS ARISING – for information only.	
653.1	<p>Traffic Poll results report Webmaster presented the results of the Facebook traffic poll 158 respondents, one third of households, over 6 weeks, only 4 live outside of the parish on the outskirts. 81% have seen an increase in traffic speeds. 74% attribute this to the new developments in Leighton Buzzard. 81% in favour of traffic calming measures. 76% in favour of average speed cameras 87.9% in favour of 7.5 tone weight limit through the village (exceptions would have to be made for deliveries) 24% are very satisfied, 48% satisfied with the Parish Council efforts to implement speed controls. 50 additional comments were made to which Cllr Boyden and Webmaster are drafting a response.</p> <p>Speed watch is now running successfully in Hockliffe and Stanbridge.</p> <p>Cllr Versallion suggested the Parish Council could investigate the potential of issuing fines themselves.</p> <p>Meeting with Dave Agar in the summer but nothing further to report. Cllr Boyden has chased Clerk will email again.</p>	
653.2	Highways Speed restrictions update	
653.3	Change of energy supplier. Ampower the existing supplier is no longer trading, it was agreed to transfer to Positive Energy, (100% renewable) for a 12-month contract.	
654	PARISH COUNCIL REPORT	
654.1	Cemetery Management Committee: Payback are back but not in the same numbers as pre covid.	
654.2	Finance Committee: Nothing to report.	
654.5	Planning & Environment Committee: Miletree Catotel to convert to residential. Parish Council has no comment to make	
654.4	Sports & Recreation Committee: Nothing to report	
655	MATTERS FOR RESOLUTION	
656	VILLAGE MATTERS	
656.1	Confirmation of Carols on the Green 17 th December 2021 7pm	

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657	<p>FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION</p> <p>Cashbook Summary & Bank Account Balances Current Account £42,784.92 Reserve Account £105,041.48</p> <p>Markland Gardens £375.00 Markland Gardens Clock winding £ 75.00 Heath Village Barn £ 15.00 Smiths of Derby £ 78.00 Francesca Sheppard £612.00 Creative Solutions Silent soldier £240.00</p> <p>Direct Debits/Standing Orders</p> <p>Cheaper Waste £55.27 M Redwood Green £43.33 AM Power £28.75 AM Power £19.96 Anglian Water £68.00</p>	
658	<p>Administration /OTHER MATTERS of interest</p> <p>Meeting closed at 7.55pm</p>	

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