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Minutes of the MPC Meeting held at 7.30pm on 11 January 2023

Venue	Ranmore Room, St Michael's Church
Chair	David Ireland (DI)
Councillors Present	Graham Clark (GC) David Ottridge (DO) Andrew McNaughton (AM) Will Dennis (WD) John Lowes (JL)
Clerk	Feena Graham (FG)
Attending	Nicola Hawley, Operations Manager Box Hill School Alison Vernon, Director of Admissions & Marketing, Box Hill School
Members of the Community	Gill Wilson (GW)

Item No:		Action:
1	<p>Opening Formalities Part 1</p> <p>(1180) Apologies received: Kayleigh Hunter (Work) County Cllr Hazel Watson (Meeting) District Cllr Elsie Rosam (Another event) David Sadler (Work)</p> <p>(1181) Declarations of Interest/Requests for Dispensations None.</p> <p>(1182) The Minutes of the Meeting held 9th November 2021 Minutes were approved by Councillors with one spelling amendment and duly signed by the Chair.</p> <p>(1183) Chair's Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Mickleham Almshouses Charity – 2 candidates have been put forward to the next meeting. Repairs to the bus shelter have been completed under the warranty. 	
2	<p>Open Forum</p> <p>(1184) Public Questions No questions were raised in advance of this meeting.</p> <p>DL welcomed both Nicola Hawley, Operations Manager and Alison Vernon, Director of Admissions & Marketing from Box Hill School, who brought councillors up to date with the school's progress:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of pupils, both day and boarding are back to pre-covid levels. As like other organisations recruiting some domestic staff has been a difficulty. 	



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Various activities are returning to normal after a lengthy period of virtual activities.• Key activities such as school plays and Art Exhibitions will resume in the summer term, allowing members of the community to visit the school.• Fundraising events have been paused but the aim is to restart them to support the school's development plan.• School traffic issues at the end of the school day, have improved with the extended double yellow lines in the section of the Old London Road from the A24 to Dell Close and it has also helped to ease the congestion with through traffic travelling through.• In addition, the school has parking stewards to monitor the traffic on site at the end of the school day. <p>It was agreed that Box Hill School to be included in the community WhatsApp as a way of forwarding details of events that may affect the community.</p> <p>DL thanked both Nicola Hawley and Alison Vernon for attending. Nicola Hawley and Alison Vernon left the meeting at 8pm.</p> <p>(1185) Liaison between Surrey Police and Mickleham Parish Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Periodic Police Report to be forwarded after the meeting.• Dave Sadler was unable to attend today's meeting but had highlighted an incident at Juniper Hill estate regarding people going onto their land off Headley Lane with chainsaws to clear tracks for mountain bikers. They have CCTV footage of parked vehicles which they will be following up on. The land is part of the local SSSI, Sites of Special Scientific Interest, so any damage or unauthorised clearing is an offence apart from any civil trespass.• Anyone with any information should contact D Sadler.	<p>WD</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<p>3</p>	<p>Finance & Formalities</p> <p>(1186) Approve accounts for payments Retrospective payments are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">£208.00 - Clerk's increased salary payment back pay.£57.56 - Clerk's expenses on behalf of the Council – 4 months of Zoom payment£85.00 - Refund to RFO for payment towards Sue Tatham's leaving gift. Monies donated by members of the Parish Council. <p>All Councillors agreed.</p> <p>(1187) Agree bank reconciliation The bank reconciliation up to the 5th December 2022 had been circulated and was approved by all and signed by the Chair.</p> <p>(1088) Agree Budgets & Precept for 2023-24 The proposal for the Precept Budget was circulated and approved as £7890.00. An increase of 3.95%. DI & GC signed the Precept form, for return to Mole Valley.</p>	



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	<p>(1189) Online Banking DO reported that NatWest does not support two signatures on their online banking. DO proposed to look at an alternative bank. All Councillors present agreed to DO making enquires with other banks.</p> <p>DI proposed a donation to St Michael's Church for the use of the Ranmore Room for meetings. DO to follow up for March's meeting</p>	<p>DO</p> <p>DO</p>
4	<p>(1190) Planning</p> <p>None to report back on.</p>	
5	<p>Reports from Working Groups</p> <p>(1191) Norbury Park Working Group JL briefed the meeting on the email he had forwarded on 5th December 2022: NORBURY PARK /OUR VISION: A BETTER PLACE FOR NATURE AND ENJOYMENT. JL outlined:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young Street carparks improvement. • Ash dieback had been discussed in lengthy detail at last meeting. • Next forum meeting is in February, <p>GW reported that there had been no progress with Lilac Cottage.</p> <p>(1192) Local Plan Working Group AM had raised comments on behalf of the MPC at the Inspection meeting. No replies yet but based on elections coming up it may be delayed. Issues around the "Seeking Agreement to Remove Green Belt Sites from the Draft Local Plan" were discussed following the statement from Mole Valley.</p> <p>Councillors agreed to raise concerns with the Head of Planning and copy in both County and District Councillors. GC/AM/WD to draft a response on behalf of MPC.</p> <p>(1193) Mickleham Sign Renovations Jim Evans had forwarded an update and photos on the progress of the refurbished sign from Burford Bridge end of village. As weather improves the sign will be reinstated and the sign at the North end of the Village on A24 will be taken down for refurbishment. The MPC noted a special thanks to Tim Garbett for undertaking the repairs.</p>	<p>GC/AM/ WD</p>
6	<p>(1194) Traffic Issues including Parking and Noise</p> <p>VAS Update: The latest readings from the VAS were circulated in advance of this meeting.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>

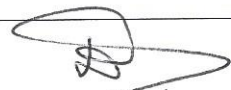

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	<p>Community Speed Watch Group: Angela Ireland had forwarded an email on recent Speedwatch Activity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Speedwatch session was conducted on Saturday 7th January 2023, by two members of the team, on the Old London Road. • The traffic was light due to the cold, damp afternoon and no speeding vehicles were recorded. • The highest speed registered was 35mph, which is obviously undesirably fast but 1mph below the speed which they are allowed to record. • No motorbikes at all passed at any speed during the hour. • It was felt nevertheless that the hour spent in the cold was a worthwhile task to remind people that the scheme exists and to act as a deterrent to potential speeding motorists. <p>DI reported back that the Village Hall was used as a base for a triathlon on Sunday 8th January, which caused some parking issues around the Church during morning service. DI had communicated with the Village Hall regarding further events and keeping St Michael's Church aware.</p>	
<p>7</p>	<p>(1195) Chair/Clerk's Forum Updates</p> <p>Chair's Forum (24 November 2022) updates included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Chair elected for Surrey ALC, Chris Hand. • Civility and Respect discussed. • Housing plans will take thirty years to clear based on current development plans. • Elections in May. • Surrey ALC AGM arranged for 19th October 2023. • Cyber-attacks on Councils. • Clerk's salary increase. <p>Clerk's Forum (05 December 2022) updates included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cyber-attacks on Councils with MVDC and membership to ICO. • Forthcoming elections and website supporting information. • Possibility of May Meeting dates changing. • Training session for Elections scheduled for Thursday 26th January. <p>Details to be forwarded.</p> <p>Following discussion on the membership of ICO, WD agreed to investigate if membership was required. Details to be forward to WD.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>WD Clerk</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>Urgent Items received by the Chair</p> <p>(1196) DI reported back that Elsie Rosam will not be standing at the forthcoming May Elections.</p>	


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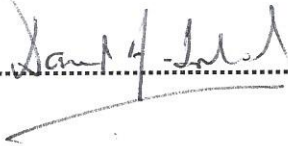
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9	<p>Next Meeting: Wednesday 15 March 2023</p> <p>Proposed / Pending 2023 Election dates/timing: Wednesday 24 May including the APC Meeting Wednesday 12 July Wednesday 13 September Wednesday 08 November (inc. Children's Recreation Ground Trust Meeting)</p>
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DI thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.00pm

Signed:



Date:

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