

# **Hedgerley Parish Council**

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2017 In the Youth Club Hut, Hedgerley

**Present** - Cllr. Neil Coxhead (Chairman) (NC), Cllr. Derek Baker (Vice Chairman) (DB), Cllr. Maurice Ridgeley (MER), Cllr Marcus Orchard (MO), Cllr Paul Miller (PM), Cllr Thomas Broom (TB) and the Clerk

In Attendance – Cllr Marlene Lewis (ML) (SBDC) and two members of the public

# Chairman to indicated emergency exits Apologies for absence - none

1. To approve the draft Minutes of Meeting held on 13th March 2017 which had been publicised on the noticeboards previously

Minutes were approved as a true record, and signed.

2. County Councillor – did not attend.

NC said that this would have been Peter Harding's last HPC meeting and Councillors wanted to thank himfor his support over the past years and especially regarding Slade Farm.

3. District Councillor -

ML said very little had been happening recently. ML said there was no news on the restructuring of Bucks into one or more unitary authorities. NC said that BCC was conducting a survey to get opinions from local people, businesses and other organisations, and that the Council should respond.

4. County Council Matters – nothing to report

#### 5. Clerk's information items

Hedgerlev Village sign

Clerk provided specification for size of sign, frame and post. DB informed the meeting that the Old Village Green was in the conservation area and there were certain restrictions regarding 'advertising'. It was suggested that the sign be positioned at the Green on the corner opposite the shops.

# 6. Finance -

- Finance report to note report Report noted, cheques signed.
- Year End bank rec. for signature
   Bank rec. seen and approved by Councillors, signed by Chairman
- YTD actual and budget a/cs
   PM detailed the variances and Councillors understood and approved
- Preparation for audit
  Clerk and PM had met and gone through the various points in preparation for the Internal
  Auditor. They will be meeting again before end of April to make sure everything is complete.
  The Internal Auditor is due to go through the paperwork by 18th May, then we will be able to
  sign the Annual Return at the June meeting for sending off to Mazars.
- Quote for repainting fence round pond.

No news yet as two contractors had seen the specification which MER had provided and were'nt prepared to do that. Clerk is going to see another contractor in the morning who will be going to have a look.

- Quote for repairing steps on footpath in Kiln Wood. One quote has been received; a second is pending
- Quote for completing tree work in Kiln Wood before spring.

  Ben Harris has provided a quote for completion of felling, but MER said it was too late to fell now. BH will be removing the cut wood once the bluebells have gone over.

# 7. Planning-

To note report - report noted. MO declared an interest and did not take part.

# 8. Property

MVAS

NC told the meeting that Swarco had repaired the MVAS, which was not a big problem, so no charge was made. NC to ask the Clerk to arrange a mutually agreeable time to collect the MVAS device for Ben Harris to deploy. First site to be at the One Pin Stables, opposite Holly End.

• Information board for the Community Orchard Clerk had received the information from Maddy Bushnell. This was quite lengthy, so the Clerk is going to meet with the Sign people so they can suggest the best layout and content we have.

#### 9. Youth Club Hut

Clerk has sent a copy of the Lease to Peter Cathcart, the solicitor (who has dealt with Hedgerley PC in the past). He has to include several official Guiding points for the lease. NC asked if the Clerk would also remind him that a point be made that at any time in the future the YC would be able to return for use of the facilities. HPC had been advised they should not be involved in holding the YC funds for the future.

# 10. Slade Farm - Update

MO confirmed that an appeal has now been lodged with the Planning Inspectorate, and that it would be dealt with as a public hearing. He said that previous representations had been forwarded to the PI, but that the Council should make further representations, working with BCC, and the deadline for this is 8th May (this is also the date of the next HPC meeting). A hearing is a less onerous and costly way to deal with the appeal than a full inquiry.

# 11. Neighbourhood Plan - Update

NC said he had nothing to report at this time

# 12. Meetings

To report on -

To attend - Annual Parish Meeting Monday 24th April

# 13. Date of next meeting - Monday 8th May 2017, Memorial Hall 8.15pm

Please note, Councillors, only items on the agenda may be discussed.

# Democratic period

Barry Green of Hedgerley Lane raised the issue about hearing the possibility of a proposed extension to the HGV park at the MSA and we thanked him for bringing it to the Councils attention.