

**Minutes of the Meeting of Hanslope Parish Council, held on 11<sup>th</sup> July  
2022 at 7pm  
at the Community Hall, Recreation Ground, Hanslope.**

**Present:**

Parish Councillors: -

M Palmer (Chairman)

R Simpkins

E Price

S Proctor

J Gregory

Ward Councillors

A Andrew

J Cass

G Duffield

D Courtman

G.

Bowyer

C. Wardle

Clerk: S Bradbury

1 Member of Public

**22.069 Apologies:** G. Merry - accepted

**22.070 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2022:**

The minutes had previously been circulated and were PROPOSED by Cllr Simpkins SECONDED by Cllr Palmer and AGREED.

**22.071 Declarations of Interest:** No declarations

**22.72 Public Participation:** No items

**22.73 Council**

- i. **Highway's updates and additional S.I.D.:** Cllr Courtman had established that the cost of a basic SID was in the region of £1855 but following discussion it was agreed that she would look further at other options for different models and report back in advance of the next meeting. It had been established that MKC were likely to quote in the region of £1,000 for the installation of any new poles which it was agreed was an excessive amount of money. Ward Cllrs will take this up.

**MOTION:** To agree cost of additional S.I.D. –**deferred.**

- ii. **Progress on white gates:** A final quote had been received from MKC to the amount of £20,429.63 +/- 10%. **MOTION:** To agree quote for installation of white gates proposed by Cllr Palmer, seconded by Cllr Price and **agreed unanimously.**

iii. **Any other reports from Cllrs - none**

**22.074 Planning:**

- i. New planning applications – None submitted
- ii. **Enforcement:** Cllr Price will email update
- iii. **Revision of Neighbourhood Plan:** Cllrs Price and Cass had attended a course given by Neil Homer. The first Steering Group meeting will be at the pavilion on 19<sup>th</sup> July.

**22.075 Finance:**

- i. **Financial update, reconciliations and financial situation report to June 30th 2022** Report had been circulated. No matters arising.
- ii. August payments **MOTION:** To agree the clerk may pay regular contractors in August, and invoices from suppliers/contractors for projects/quotes already proposed by Cllr Price, seconded by Cllr Andrew and **agreed unanimously.**
- iii. Approval of payments – June/July 2022: there had been a problem where bills from Anglian Water for supplies to the allotments had been going to the wrong address and as such nothing had been paid for 3 years. This resulted in water being cut off to the allotments. The arrears and reconnection fees have now been paid. **MOTION:** to

approve invoices as presented (with this one urgent addition) proposed by Cllr Duffield, seconded by Cllr Courtman and **agreed unanimously**.

01/06/2022	Marcus Young Landscapes	May bin and dog bin servicing (late invoice)	£ 484.50
10/06/2022	Parish Online	Annual Subscription	£ 150.00
27/06/2022	Sign Wizzard	Additional MUGA signs ('no scooters')	£ 69.25
29/06/2022	Tove Landscapes Ltd	June Landscaping	£ 788.33
29/06/2022	Tove Landscapes Ltd	Pitch remedial work - reseed, renovate, hose & various attachments purchase	£ 369.27
30/06/2022	Barbara Osborne	Payroll services April-June	£ 82.50
30/06/2022	RTM Landscapes	Landscape maintenance June	£ 1,028.13
30/06/2022	Anne Washington	June caretaking @38 hours plus reimburse paint/primer	£ 471.48
30/06/2022	G Merry	Reimburse expenses	
01/07/2022	Marcus Young Landscapes	June bin and dog bin servicing	£ 600.50
01/08/2022	One.com	Domain Hosting - website	£ 94.75
06/07/2022	Marcus Young Landscapes	Installation of new bins and dog bins - village wide	£ 4,468.00
<b>PAID</b>			
21/02/2022	Kate Lovett	Singer - jubilee - balance	£ 50.00
14/06/2022	MK Council	Extra waste collection - jubilee	£ 195.00
16/06/2022	Post Office	Postage	£ 2.85
08/06/2022	British Gas Lite (DD)	Pavilion Elec 1	£ 18.38
09/06/2022	British Gas Lite (DD)	Pavilion Elec 2	£ 65.45
06/06/2022	Eon Next (DD)	Hall Elec	£ 32.96
06/06/2022	Eon Next (DD)	Hall Gas	£ 41.98
06/06/2022	British Gas Lite (DD)	Pavilion Gas - final bill - old tariff	£ 99.21
15/06/2022	British Gas Lite (DD)	Pavilion Gas - new tariff	£ 60.90
19/06/2022	Adobe	Subscription	£ 12.64
24/06/2022	G Merry	June Salary	£ 1,262.01
28/06/2022	HMRC	June tax and NI	£ 230.98
28/06/2022	LGPS	June pension	£ 427.42
30/06/2022	Wave (Anglian Water)	Approx. 3-4 years' worth of water rates - allotment supply (not yet debited from account, as at 30/6/22)	£ 1,262.60

## 22.076 Recreation Ground

- i. **Update on Outdoor Gym:** Cllr Gregory had received a second quote from Proludic with an updated spec which he had circulated. The quote for £50,000 was higher than had been expected but offered more functionality. There was some discussion on whether the quote could be reduced in any way for example in reducing the amount of safe surface which was very expensive. The current plan shows a large circle of such but it was thought that this could be reduced to a crescent shape. Cllr Gregory agreed to take up Proludic on this. There was then some discussion about whether the amount should be paid from reserves or whether s.106 allocated finances should be used at no (long term) cost to the council.

**MOTION:** To agree the new proposal and additional expenditure (from EMRs) was proposed by Cllr Palmer, seconded by Cllr Gregory with the proviso that Cllr Gregory get in touch with Proludic to attempt to reduce the cost through an amendment to the design (i.e. circle of safe surface to crescent) as was discussed. **Agreed by a majority.**

- ii. **Pitch update:** the football pitch is still in a very poor state following previous work due to the extended hot spell with no rainfall for a significant period, which has meant that the grass seed that was sown has shown poor germination. Attempts have been made leave sprinklers on to improve the surface but this has not improved matters. A quote had been commissioned to do work to restore the pitch to normal operation by late August (depending on the weather). Consideration was then given as to whether a continuation of the hot dry weather would render the proposed repair work ineffective. The Clerk advised that as there is no motion to accept the quote, an Extraordinary meeting will need to be called by the Chair. Cllr Palmer therefore called for a meeting to take place on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July. Clerk to provide agenda for Cllr Courtman to distribute/post.
- iii. **Installation of bike rack:** Cllr Proctor said that he and the Clerk had identified two options and of the two he proposed the Sheffield Cycle Toast Rack, that could accommodate up to 16 bikes at a cost of £216.88 plus installation. **MOTION:** To agree style, location and cost Cllr Proctor proposed that this rack be procured, installation arranged and the unit located on the gable end of the Pavilion building (under Jeannette Green sign). Seconded by Cllr Palmer and **agreed unanimously.**
- iv. **Community Hall ceiling:** the selected supplier had been asked for a revision to his quote to provide 150 mm insulation plus additional panel lighting. This had been received and amounted to a further £1950. **MOTION:** To agree a revised quote from chosen contractor Cllr Palmer proposed acceptance of the quote, seconded by Cllr Duffield and **agreed unanimously.**
- v. **Community Hall hiring update:** **MOTION:** To agree any changes to hire rates proposed by Cllr Andrew and that the hire rates be aligned with those from the Village Hall **agreed unanimously.**

**22.077 Village Projects:**

- i. **Installation of Gold St/Castlethorpe Road Finger Post:** This is in the hands of the selected contractors.
- ii. **Christmas Lights update:** Cllr Andrews had gone to great pain in meeting with MKC Highways and it was now understood how the new form needs to be completed. Cllr Palmer has completed and submitted the form. Cllr Andrews was thanked for her efforts.
- iii. Bin on High Street **MOTION:** To agree cost of bin re-location adjacent to The Cock – **deferred to next meeting**
- iv. **Landscape Maintenance Contract renewal:** Cllr Simkins had circulated the latest draft of the proposed specification which reflected that 14 village grass cuts per year would be required. 21 cuts of the sports ground had been stipulated. Stony Stratford Cricket Club had withdrawn their offer to meet half the cost of any additional cuts to the sports ground so that number will remain as stated. Should any further cuts be required then they will have to pay for them. **MOTION:** To agree to the new specification proposed by Cllr Simkins seconded by Cllr Andrews & **agreed unanimously.**
- v. **Defibrillator for Hartwell Road: Discussion re. cost of reconnection from street, internal electrics, defib & cabinet, and offer from owner:** the clerk had established and communicated costs for the provision of power to this defibrillator by Western Power as c. £2323 with a potential further charge from Eon, yet to be established. Of that cost £1103 is taken up by the internal and external wiring plus the installation of the defibrillator itself for which the owner of the property on which it has been mounted has offered to pay 50%. **MOTION:** To agree the above costs and any contribution from owner: Cllr Proctor proposed that these costs and the offer of a 50% contribution (for the wiring only) from the property owner be accepted, seconded Cllr Palmer and **agreed unanimously.**

**22.078 S106 Projects:**

Cllr Bowyer had been in touch with the s.106 team at MKC and they had confirmed the process for s.106 submissions applicable to the Doctors Surgery. Cllr Palmer is now working with the Doctor's Surgery to make a submission. James Williamson at MKC has offered help.

An organisation called Hanslope Care had asked whether they could request a contribution from s 106 funds but as they are a private concern it was considered that they cannot. Nobody else has come back with any request for any s.106 contributions

**22.079 Allotments:**

Nothing to report this month beyond the earlier reported problem with water supply

**20.080 Date of Next Meeting:** Next General meeting will be on Monday September 12th 2022, at 7pm. As reported earlier there will be an Extraordinary meeting on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm.

Signed ..... Date .....