

HANSLOPE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Hanslope Parish Council on Monday 13th January 2024, 7pm at
Hanslope Pavilion, MK19 7LG.

MINUTES

Present:

D Courtman (Chairman)

E Price

A Geary

R Wallond

R Simpkins

W Pacheco

A Andrew

Clerk: G Merry

0 members of public

25.01 Apologies: Received and accepted from Cllr Flatley

25.02 Minutes from previous meetings held 09/12/24

MOTION: to approve the minutes of the last meeting PROPOSED by Cllr Pacheco SECONDED by Cllr Price and AGREED

25.03 Declarations of Interest: No declarations

25.04 Public Participation: No items

25.05 Council

- i. **Clerk's report:** At 31/12/24 Income stood at £200,605 (121% of budget) and Expenditure at £121,056 (73% of budget). £17,719 of expenditure has been from earmarked reserves. MKCC's S106 officer had advised outstanding amounts of S106 from 2014, for the allotments and for playing fields and these were about to expire. These were only for projects completed before February 2022. These were applied for, receiving £23,945 for the outdoor gym and £1,370 for the allotments. January has seen the office is extremely busy. The office of the constituency's Member of Parliament has been in contact and would like to meet with all PCs in the constituency. He tends to be in the constituency on Fridays and dates have been requested. A reminder that the PC is hosting a public meeting on 22/1/25, for residents to air their views on how they might like to see the S106 money spent.
- ii. **Highways/speeding and flooding updates:** Cllr Wallond reported that Speedwatch sessions are now taking place in Tathall End, with several volunteers completing the training. He has requested new locations for Tathall End and the main village. He had also circulated the data from the SIDs and Cllr Courtman added that there has been an overall reduction in speeding. Flooding still occurs in Forest Road despite dredging of the gulleys and Cllr Andrew advised she can chase this but will need images for evidence.
- iii. **Crime - any updates:** The PCSO had circulated the crime statistics for Hanslope for Nov – Jan and these were relatively low. The clerk will publish these on the website. Cllr Courtman recommended the use of Faraday boxes for securing car keys.
- iv. **Ward boundary changes consultation:** Cllr Geary had met with MKCC's Elections & Boundaries officer to discuss the plan for Hanslope and rural north villages to be joined with New Bradwell, in a new constituency. New Bradwell and other local councils have signaled they are not in support of this and MKCC are working on an alternative proposal. Cllr Geary advised waiting to see what is proposed and responding to the consultation after the

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February PC meeting.

MOTION: To agree the PC's response to the consultation DEFERRED

- v. **Any additional reports from Cllrs, Parishes forum etc.:** Cllr Andrew is still working on the issue of the reduction to 33 bus route and has had a disappointing response from Highways. She will continue to investigate and report back. She has followed through on the non-delivery of grit bins and replacement of the Long Street sign and these will now be used as test cases to discover how and why Highway's processes are ineffective. Concerns were also expressed that the Planning Enforcement process is no longer working effectively.

25.06 Planning

- i. **New planning applications – Jan 2025 and updates.** The list of current applications was circulated and discussed. It was agreed no comments were needed. There was a lack of documents/information re. 'the Globe' site and Cllr Andrew will try to find out more. It was stated and agreed that it is encouraging to see local residents engaging with planning consultations, commenting and objecting etc. as the PC is only one voice. Concerns were expressed re. significant building at Hanslope Park and the clerk agreed to forward any paperwork.

PLN/2024/2617	Malt Mill Farm, Castlethorpe Road, Hanslope, Milton Keynes	Confirmation that all conditions of permission ref. 20/03394/FULMMA having been complied with, relating to Variation to condition 2 of planning permission 18/00724/FUL to substitute several approved plots with revised home types, redistribute affordable homes, provide additional car parking and reposition garages, hand Plot 1 and make associated amendments	10/12/2024	No comments
PLN/2024/2718	GLOBE HOUSE, 50 HARTWELL ROAD, HANSLOPE, MILTON KEYNES, MK19 7BZ	Variation of condition 1 (Approved plans) seeking to allow for the submission of a new Proposed Site Plan, Proposed Elevations (Plots 1 & 2) and Proposed Floor Plans (Plots 1 & 2) (relating to permission ref. 24/01451/FULM (Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) seeking to amend floor plans for plot 1 including retention of old toilet block and change material of gable wall plot 2 (relating to permission ref. 21/03369/FUL Proposed conversion and extension of vacant public house into 2-dwellinghouses and the erection of 1 detached dwelling to the rear of the site and associated car parking and landscaping)	23/01/2025	No comments

MOTION: To agree the parish council's responses to applications as above, PROPOSED by Cllr Price SECONDED by Cllr Courtman and AGREED

- ii. **To discuss new National Planning Policy Framework:** The clerk had circulated the new NPPF along with analysis and recommendations from the planning consultant. Section 14 continues to place a premium on Neighbourhood Plans still allocating housing and NPs will still be a significant mechanism in managing development. It was discussed and agreed to start work on a new Hanslope NP in 2025, once the MKCC New City Plan is fully ratified.

25.07 Finance

- i. **Reconciliations & financial situation report to Dec 31st 2024:** The clerk had circulated the Quarter 3 accounts to 31/12/24 and Cllr Price had checked the reconciliation for all 3 **Members of the public are welcome to attend all parish council meetings.**

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accounts. There were no questions.

- ii. **Approval of payments Jan 2025:** The list of payments was circulated (below). A reimbursement to Cllr Simpkins for printing, which had not met the requirements in Financial Regulations was discussed. It was agreed that this had been necessary expenditure in order to produce prints of architects' plans, in a short timeframe for an S106 meeting. The payment was approved. Cllr Price reminded everyone that everything, including decisions over purchases, must go through the clerk. The clerk advised of 2 instances where faulty locks had necessitated a locksmith visit and these were approved. Receipts for the Santa Run were awaited from the organisers and the clerk enquired whether the PC should request a risk assessment for this event. It was agreed this was not necessary as it was not a parish council run event.

DATE	Invoice from	For	Net	Vat	Total
13/12/2024	MKCC	Fitting commando sockets on streetlights x 6	£ 4276.32	£ 855.26	£ 5,131.58
13/12/2024	MKCC	Install Rec. Ground directional signs	£ 350	£ 70.00	£ 420.00
13/12/2024	Anglian Water (Wave)	Rec Ground Sept-Dec	£ 37.64		£ 37.64
27/12/2024	Anne Washington	Caretaking – Dec	£ 497.00		£ 497.00
30/12/2024	Roy Courtman	SID operation Oct & Nov	£ 160.00	£ 32.00	£ 192.00
31/12/2024	Barbara Osborne Business Services	Payroll Oct-Dec 24	£ 87.00		£ 87.00
31/12/2024	Tove Landscapes	Rhymer Close hedge ph 2	£ 200.00	£ 40.00	£ 240.00
31/12/2024	Suez	Dec empties - wheely bins	£ 43.62	£ 8.72	£ 52.34
01/01/2025	Marcus Young Landscapes	Dec bins and dog bins	£ 660.55	£ 132.11	£ 792.66
02/01/2025	IDNet	Domain name renewal - .gov	£ 75.00	£ 15.00	£ 90.00
03/01/2025	Tove Landscapes	Monthly maintenance contract – Dec	£ 1,954.16	£ 390.84	£ 2,345.00
04/01/2025	PropertyCare Bucks	Installation and take down of Christmas Lights	£ 1,454.50	£ 218.50	£ 1,673.00
02/01/2025	Reimburse Roland	Printing of architect plans x 6 (<i>Not approved via clerk</i>)	£ 756.00		£ 756.00
02/01/2025	Reimburse Roland	Mailing architect plans to GM	£ 4.79		£ 4.79
08/01/2024	Brinnick Locksmiths	Call out to hut lock	£ 110.00	£ 22.00	£ 132.00
09/12/2025	G Merry	PC Expenses – Dec	£ 11.97		£ 11.97
12/01/2025	PropertyCare Bucks	Lock for PC cupboard	£ 90.00	£ 18.00	£ 108.00
Expected	Tara Davies	Hall and Pavilion cleaning	£ 180.00		£ 180.00

MOTION: To approve invoices as presented PROPOSED by Cllr Andrew SECONDED by Cllr Price and AGREED

25.08 Recreation Ground

- i. **Hall/Rec. ground updates:** The scouts are likely to be expanding to a 2nd night in the hall and the rent will be considered in February.
- ii. **MUGA: Safety issues - risk, liability and duty of care:** Cllr Courtman outlined 2 schools of thought i.e. that the council is fully insured and the MUGA has passed ROSPA inspection every year since installation. However, the council should consider its Duty of Care, given that a couple of incidents of injury had been reported. This was discussed and it was

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agreed that the council will install foam protection, initially on the goal uprights only and monitor effectiveness, before extending to other areas.

MOTION: To discuss and agree potential installation of foam corner protection @ approx. £616 (for 2 goals), plus installation costs PROPOSED by Cllr Andrew SECONDED by Cllr Wallond and AGREED.

- iii. **Reseeding of grounds @ £3719:** This had been requested by the cricket club and was discussed and supported. However, it was agreed that S106 money should be applied for and the clerk agreed to submit an application.

MOTION: To agree the reseeding as above PROPOSED by Cllr Simpkins SECONDED by Cllr Andrew and AGREED, assuming successful application for S106 funding.

- iv. **Stay and Play group:** To discuss replacement facility @ £195.38/session (MKPA), (plus cost of equipment, plus cost of health visitor once-a-month). It was discussed and agreed to implement this initiative at this price. It was suggested the clerk find out whether Woodlands Centre would still provide the service if the council paid them directly, as they were set up to include the health visitor attending. A maximum of £300/week would be agreed and the clerk agreed to find out about this and how to engage a health visitor. An aspirational timeframe of after February half-term was agreed.

MOTION: To agree to launch the new group pursuant to Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, s.19, as above PROPOSED by Cllr Wallond SECONDED by Cllr Andrew and AGREED

25.09 Village Projects

- i. **Updates on Hanslope Fields transfer of car park and Public Open Spaces:** No progress.
- ii. **Update on transfer of Wheatfields Public Open Spaces:** No progress on the transfer but Cllr Wallond reported that Davidsons were attending to the snagging issues.
- iii. **Trade vans – update:** Cllr Wallond had contacted Bloors for their approval for use of the car park but had not yet heard back.

25.10 S106 Projects:

- i. **Overall S106 picture – update and recommendations from working group:**
- Proposed pavilion remodel – architects shortlist and recommended supplier: Cllr Simpkins reported that 9 architects' submissions had been received and the working group had met to evaluate them. A shortlist of 3 had been reached and the designs/details were circulated and approved. The clerk will carry out due diligence on the 3 and confirmation of available S106 amounts was awaited.
 - Cricket nets: The S106 application had been submitted and will be discussed at the MKCC Leisure Board on 4/3/25. It was agreed that this could make it late for summer installation. Architects MSquare had advised that a planning application would be needed and had quoted for this.
 - First responder equipment: The S106 application had been submitted and will be discussed at the MKCC Leisure Board on 4/3/25.
 - Retroactive payments: Reported at 25.05 i.
 - Other: Cllr Andrew had discussed S106 sums with MKCC's officer and confirmation of sums for the pavilion remodel are awaited. The pre-school's S106 application has been delayed by MKCC's involvement of the Education team.

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Going forward, Cllr Andrew will be looking at how S106 amounts are allocated and proportioned out. The Dr’s Surgery was no longer responding re. their application for the proposed extension. Cllr Andrew has enquired with Northants ICB as to the status of the application.

- ii. **Public meeting on 22/1/24 and any responses to consultation:** There were no responses but publicity for the meeting was out. Cllr Andrew advised that TVP will be attending and the clerk will revise the flyer accordingly. Cllr Andrew will discuss the programme for the evening with Cllrs Wallond and Simpkins. The architect’s submissions will be displayed at the meeting.

25.11 Allotments: The allotments were suffering from disproportionate wet weather and 8 tenants were not renewing this year. With this in mind, an Open Morning was planned for 23/3/24. The committee were planning to install additional taps for the site and Cllr Simpkins was seeking quotes. It had been agreed that a test pit would be dug, with the aim of assessing where the water in the lower lying areas is draining to.

25.12 Date of Next Meeting: 10th February 2025

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..... **Date**

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