

HANSLOPE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Hanslope Parish Council on Monday 8th July 2024, 7pm at the Community Hall, MK19 7LG.

MINUTES

Present:

D Courtman (Chairman)

R Simpkins

A Andrew

A Flatley

W Pacheco

E Price

R Wallond

A Geary

Clerk: G Merry

0 members of public

MOTION: To exclude the public for item 24.089, in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 PROPOSED by Cllr Geary SECONDED by Cllr Pacheco and AGREED

24.077 Apologies: Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Moore.

24.078 Minutes from previous meetings held 10th June 2024

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the meeting PROPOSED by Cllr Wallond SECONDED by Cllr Simpkins and AGREED

24.079 Declarations of Interest: No declarations.

24.080 Public Participation: No items.

24.081 Council

- i. **Clerk's Report:** At 30/6/24 income stood at £115,655 (70%) and expenditure at £63,454 (38%). Income is high due to British Gas refunding the £21,466 they mistakenly debited in May. Last month there was a mistake in the accounts. It showed income at £87,944 (53%) - less than in May. This was due to a coding error with £5,280 of S106 income for the football pitch coded as expenditure. This has now been corrected in the accounts. Councillors are advised to familiarise themselves with the processes for the Rec. Ground. Every activity, indoor or on the Rec, is managed by Terms and Conditions which the users sign and in the case of the pitches, are tightly managed as there is no gap in the week and no gap between the cricket season and football season. The cricket club had scheduled a sizable event, which had not been applied for or notified and there would have been a clash with Stony Stratford if this hadn't been spotted on Facebook. The next Liaison meeting is on Monday 12th August.
- ii. **Highways and Speeding update:** No Highway's updates. **Speeding:** Cllr Courtman reported on the SID data with 39% of cars speeding on Forest Road and 83% on Hartwell Road. Cllr Wallond reported that the CSW group has been less active due to the excessive rain but sessions are now scheduled for July.
- iii. **Crime and Enforcement Updates:** The Police Community Crime Forum had been postponed due to the election and rescheduled for 31/7/24. Cllr Andrew advised there is now a police app. and the crime stats for any area can be accessed/downloaded. The officer dealing with the perpetrators of anti-social behavior had located and spoken to the children/parents. Appropriate consequences will be implemented. The enforcement report from Kingdom had been circulated and there were no comments.
- iv. **Any reports from Cllrs:** No items

24.082 Planning

i. **New planning applications July 2024.** These were discussed as follows (column 5):-

24/01343/HOU	14 High Street Hanslope MK19 7LQ	The erection of rear extension with existing toilet roof altered to flat roof with removal of conservatory, demolition of garage and new garage built	23/07/2024	No Comments
24/01344/LBC	14 High Street Hanslope, MK19 7LQ	Listed Building Consent for the erection of rear extension with existing toilet roof altered to flat roof with removal of conservatory, demolition of garage and new garage built	23/07/2024	No Comments
24/01401/HOU	15 Warwick Road Hanslope MK19 7NL	The erection of a single storey timber clad shed attached to side of dwelling with side boundary fence (Retrospective)	02/08/2024	No Comments
APPEAL: 24/00023/REF	19 Nevill Close Hanslope MK19 7NY	Description of development The construction of a detached dwelling		AGREED to submit objections to the Planning Inspectorate, in line with planning officer's original reasons for refusal

There was a discussion over whether to write to the Head of Planning, to ask what the implications of the new Chancellor of the Exchequer's announcements re. Planning Reforms would be. Cllr Andrew pointed out the Head of Planning had given her every assurance that Hanslope and environs were not designated for new housing developments. It was agreed she would ask him whether the planned public consultation period re. housing plans for MK would still be going ahead (*AFTER NOTE: The consultation will go ahead as planned*).

MOTION: To agree the parish council's responses as above, PROPOSED by Cllr Andrew SECONDED by Cllr Simpkins and AGREED.

ii. **Revision of Neighborhood Plan - Update from working group:** The clerk advised that there had only been one response to the consultation so far and that had been 'no comment'. The Consultation runs for another 2 weeks and the revised plan is on the website.

24.083 Finance

i. **Reconciliations and financial situation report to June 30th 2024:** The clerk circulated the accounts to 30/06/24 including the Quarter 1 balance sheet and Cllr Price confirmed reconciliation checks had been carried out for June. There were no other questions.

ii. **Delegated Authority:** The clerk reminded all that there is now provision in Financial Regulations for regular and previously agreed suppliers to be paid and suggested authority is delegated to her generally and in particular for August, when the PC does not meet. This was agreed and the clerk stated she will still usually bring payment approvals to meetings.

MOTION: To agree the clerk can pay invoices to regular contractors, salaries etc. and any agreed payments, PROPOSED by Cllr Pacheco SECONDED by Cllr Price and AGREED

iii. **Approval of payments, including any grant applications – June/July 2024:** The clerk circulated the list of payments for approval as follows:

31/05/2024	Kingdom LA	May Enforcement contract	£ 1,254.00	£ 250.00	£ 1,504.00
10/06/2024	Parish Online	Mapping etc membership - annual	£ 150.00	£ 30.00	£ 180.00
13/06/2024	Wave (Anglian Water)	Rec Ground March-June	£ 29.62		£ 29.62
14/06/2024	Rural Services Network	Annual Membership	£ 50.00	£ 10.00	£ 60.00
15/06/2024	Almars	Printing - NHP hard copies	£ 51.48		£ 51.48

26/06/2024	Sign Wizzard		£ 87.96	£ 17.59	£ 105.55
28/06/2024	Seated Furniture Ltd	Noticeboard	£ 438.07	£ 87.62	£ 525.69
28/06/2024	RCOH	NHP Review x 4 days pre-submission documents	£ 2,650.00	£ 530.00	£ 3,180.00
28/06/2024	Anne Washington	Caretaking – June	£ 420.00		£ 420.00
30/06/2024	Tara Davies	Hall and Pavilion June cleans	£ 180.00		£ 180.00
30/06/2024	Barbara Osborne Business Services	Payroll April-June	£ 87.00		£ 87.00
30/06/2024	Kingdom LA	June Enforcement contract	£ 1,292.00	£ 258.40	£ 1,550.40
01/07/2024	Tove Landscapes	Landscape Maint. Annual Contract & Ponds - Month 4	£ 1,954.16	£ 390.84	£ 2,345.00
01/07/2024	Tove Landscapes	Works to main pitch	£ 2,414.75	£ 482.95	£ 2,897.70
01/07/2024	Tove Landscapes	Hedge opp Doctors	£ 120.00	£ 24.00	£ 144.00
Awaited	Suez	June empties			
01/07/2024	Marcus Young Landscapes	June bins and dog bins	£ 646.80	£ 129.36	£ 776.16
08/07/2024	G Merry	PC Expenses - June-July	£ 31.47		£ 31.47
INVOICES PAID					
19/06/2024	Hugo Fox	Website hosting	£ 9.99	£ 2.00	£ 11.99
19/06/2024	British Gas	Hall Elec Apr-May	31.95	£ 1.60	£ 33.55
19/06/2024	Adobe	Subs	£ 16.64	£ 3.33	£ 19.97
24/06/2024	British Gas	Pavilion Elec May-June	£ 104.13	£ 5.21	
28/06/2024	A Andrew	Reimburse printing costs - Mag	£ 763.41		£ 763.41
28/06/2024	G Merry	June Salary	£ 1,884.12		£ 1,884.12
28/06/2024	HMRC	June tax and NI	£ 510.05		£ 510.05
28/06/2024	Bucks Pensions	June LGPS	697.32		£ 697.32

MOTION: To approve invoices as presented, PROPOSED by Cllr Geary SECONDED by Cllr Simpkins and AGREED.

24.084 Recreation Ground

- i. **Any updates and trading in the Rec. Ground:** The clerk had prepared and circulated permit paperwork for traders. However, there had been no take-up yet. It was agreed that all would help to promote this where appropriate.
- ii. **CCTV Update:** Cllr Andrew will meet the CCTV company on 16/7/24 to discuss suitable options.
- iii. **Request from the Hornets for storage space for the portable floodlights:** The Hornets are currently having to carry the portable floodlights to and from the school MUGA and had requested consideration for storage space. It was agreed that until the PC takes over management of the open space at Hanslope Fields, nothing can be implemented. Cllr Simpkins will revert to them on this and also request costings and a specification.

MOTION: Not required

- iv. **Request from the Hornets for the PC to cover the costs of pre-season line marking:** The Hornets had requested that the PC cover the cost of lining their pitches at the start of the season. This was discussed and agreed, up to £100 per pitch x 3. Cllr Pacheco pointed out it would be less for the smaller pitches.

MOTION: To consider the request for pitch marking as above up to £300 maximum PROPOSED by Cllr Pacheco, SECONDED by Cllr Flatley and AGREED.

- v. **Potential Cricket Game behind the MUGA:** Cllr Simpkins reminded all that when the MUGA was

installed in 2022, a cricket game had been planned for the disused bowling strip behind the MUGA. This was shelved due to objections during the planning application process. He advised that the cricket club would prefer a regular bowling net and Cllr Flatley was looking at options. The clerk agreed to look into the reasons for the previous refusal and liaise with Cllr Flatley. Cllr Wallond suggested also looking at options for other wall-based games.

- vi. **Signage update Rec. Ground and Bloor estate parking:** The clerk reported that a Highway's officer had visited and advised on siting for the signs to the Recreation Ground. This was agreed and their quote is awaited. The clerk had not heard re. the signs for the Hanslope Fields car park and would chase this up.
- vii. **Anti-social behaviour outcome:** The clerk had heard from the police officer in charge of this case, that the perpetrators of the recent graffiti had been identified and spoken to, along with their parents. A consequence based on community work for the young people will be discussed and agreed.

24.085 Village Projects

- i. **Update on Bloor's handover of car park and land:** Cllr Simpkins had still not heard from Bloors. The snagging meeting with Davidsons had taken place on site, with issues documented and forwarded to Davidsons. Cllr Simpkins advised that the playground had been inspected and passed by ROSPA and deemed safe. It also largely complied with the original plans, although additional items may be added in due course, once adopted by the PC. Concern was expressed that Davidsons have already paid the commuted sum for the nominee to MKCC. The clerk has enquired about this.
- ii. **Development of Lincoln Court Green Space:** MKCC were keen to progress the installation of a play area and had sent an updated proposal to Cllr Simpkins. The clerk expressed concerns that they appeared to only be offering adoption for management purposes but not transference of the land. Cllr Courtman asked councillors for their individual view and it was discussed and agreed that neighbour consultation was important and this should take place before further progress. The clerk agreed to devise something and circulate it to Cllrs before distributing it to the neighbouring properties.
MOTION: To consider and approve MKCC's proposal, AGREED as above only. MOTION carried-forward to next meeting
- iii. **E.V. Charging Points:** Cllr Wallond asked to discuss the PC's position on this. Cllr Courtman advised that it had previously agreed that the only suitable siting for these was in the new Hanslope Fields car park and MKCC will install them once this has been transferred to the PC.
- iv. **Short Updates:**
 - **Village Weed Sprays:** Cllr Simpkins and the clerk met with the contractor to evaluate progress. He will supply annotated maps showing the areas covered and also a price for each of the new estates due to be adopted.
 - **Christmas Lights:** Ringway will carry out the junction box work on the High Street before end of August, when the Highway's contract is due to end. The clerk will discuss with Highways, the requirements for appointing accredited contractors for installation of the lights.
 - **Best Kept Village:** No word yet on the judging outcome.
 - **Potential Leasing of 2 Long Street (Old Bus Garage):** The owner has stated he may wish to develop the site one day and therefore will not consider a long lease to the PC.

24.086 S106 Projects:

- i. **Overall S106 picture:** A working group of Cllrs Simpkins, Andrew, Wallond and Flatley met to discuss ideas and look at available amounts. Cllr Andrew will meet with MKCC to

discuss the 'wish list' of potential projects.

- ii. **Public Art proposal – update:** The MKCC officer had not been in touch on this.
- iii. **Dr's surgery – update:** Cllr Andrew has not yet been able to meet with the practice team to progress the project and expressed disappointment at their lack of communication.
- iv. **Solar Panels – update:** Cllr Wallond reported that the application for S106 funding had been passed by the Leisure Team Board, meaning that 100% of funding was now secured. The clerk submitted a formal complaint to British Gas re. the delay to work to change from 2 meters to a single 3-phase meter. However, they had still not advised a date for this work.

24.087 Allotments:

Cllr Simpkins reported that the committee plans to submit an S106 application for funding for various projects, including the installation of a new 'back' fence. The clerk circulated quotes for this and the committee had recommended quote 3 (Tove Landscapes) @ £ 2008 + VAT. This was agreed.

MOTION: To review quotes for the fence and choose a supplier as above PROPOSED by Cllr Simpkins SECONDED by Cllr Andrew and AGREED.

24.088 Date of Next Meeting: 9th September 2024.

PART B:

24.089 The current contractual situation with employees of Kingdom LA Support was discussed and it was agreed the clerk would acknowledge emails but no other actions at this time.

Signed (Chairman):

Date: