

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GREAT HASELEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD  
ON MONDAY 12 JUNE 2017 AT 7.30 PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

**Present:** D Simcox (Chairman); J Andrews; H Harvey; D Mann; A Sheppard; E Spencer; J Simcox, Clerk; S Harrod, District and County Councillor and one members of the public.

**17/34 Public Discussion**

There was no public discussion.

17/35 There were no apologies for absence.

17/36 There were no declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

17/37 The minutes of the meeting held on 8 May 2017 were confirmed and signed.

**17/38 Matters arising**

The Chairman reported that the Cross Field opening event had been a success and the family were very pleased with the way the area was being used. The clerk had reported that more posts were down on the playing fields and these should be put back shortly. The Japanese knotweed had been dealt with in 1 Mill Lane. The Chairman also reported that he had received correspondence that Little Haseley would be in the next phase of installation. It was also reported that Midsomer Murders had been filming in the village and the Parish Council were to receive £250 donation from them.

**17/39 Casual vacancy**

The clerk had received two applications and neither applicant was present at the meeting. However, the Parish Council reviewed both applications and unanimously voted that David Lindsay be co-opted to the Parish Council. The clerk would contact him to inform him of this decision and also inform the other applicant.

**17/40 Planning**

**P17/S1852/FUL The Nursery School, Rectory Road, Great Haseley**

Variation of condition 2 of planning permission P16/S2224/FUL to change the approved plans to omit the south facing kitchen/living room wing. Original application description: Conversion of the Old School building to dwelling and erection of a new detached dwelling within the grounds of The Old School, Great Haseley. The proposal includes for the demolition of the single storey flat roof extensions, lean-to conservatories and a prefabricated outbuilding (as amended by plans ref PS1010 A, PE10B, PP0010 B and PP1030B which alters the south facing dining room extension by reducing its length, increasing the amount of glazing and lowering the roof profile). The Parish Council approved this application.

**P17/S1885/HH 22 Horse Close Cottages, Great Haseley**

Single storey rear extension – the Parish Council had no strong views on this application.

The Parish Council also ratified the decisions on the following which had been dealt with outside a Parish Council meeting:

**P17/S1656/HH & P17/S1657/LB Rosa Cottage, 6 Little Haseley**

Raise the existing chimney by approximately 1m – The Parish Council approved this application.

**P17/S1716/FUL Land to North East of Rectory Road, Great Haseley**

Variation of condition 3 of Planning Permission P16/S2004/FUL to vary roofing materials - The Parish Council had no strong views on this application.

SODC have granted permission for Abbey Farm and land to the rear of Unit 1, Christmas Lane.

**17/41 Responsible Financial Officer's report**

The current account currently stands at £12,407.29 and the Business Reserve account stands at £15,387.14 The following cheques were written: Mears Estates £552.00; Smart Signs & Graphics £131.14; J Simcox (seat for Cross Field) £180.00; Expenses for Cross Field Opening £73.98; R Mead (skip for spring clean £180.00; Carmella Media (Domain name) £50.00; Wheatley Park School £20.00; Community First Oxfordshire £35.00; Colourplus £282.30; Great Haseley Village Hall (cheque not presented in June 2016) £48.76. A cheque was written to Nicholsons £314.4 (pruning MW) and for P Woodrow for £250 (contribution towards village gazebo) which were not on the agenda, they will appear on the July one. No other cheques were written. Income during the month of May 2017 was advertising in The Haseleys £151.87 and allotment rents £134.00.

**17/42 Ratify accounts and annual return for 2016-17**

The decision to accept the accounts and annual return for 2016-17 was ratified.

**17/43 Update on the SODC Local Plan**

Little had happened during the month. Over 1,000 responses had been received regarding the SODC Plan and it was hoped that these would be available in late July.

**17/44 Response to the environmental scoping document for Harrington**

The Chairman had printed out the document (111 pages) and said he felt that the Parish Council did not need to comment on it as it was just a document saying what the developers would be looking at ie archaeology, transport, noise etc. The Parish Council had not been asked to respond to it and it was a very technical document. It was therefore agreed not to make any comment on it but wait for the next phase of the planning process.

**17/45 Discuss the problem of parking in Lewington Close**

A problem had arisen when a car had been towed away because it had been blocking a gateway. The area is very small with too many cars. However, it was discovered that it is an unadopted road and therefore does not have the same constraints on it that the normal highway does. It was agreed to find out who the verge belongs to at the rear of The Old Post Office and try to see whether this could be used in some way to make more space.

**17/46 Reports from Committees**

**Footpaths** – No reported problems with footpaths.

**Village Hall** – The heater in the Ladies toilet had now been fixed.

**Playing Fields** – These were now looking very good for the cricket season. H Harvey said that if the clerk would arrange for a skip to be delivered to the playing fields, he would get the cricket team together and remove the remains of the bonfire from the playing fields.

**Cross Field** – This also had been cut and was being used regularly.

**Millennium Wood** – This was due to be cut all over very shortly . Two trees had come down in the wind and E Spencer said she would try to see what could be done about them.

**Allotments** – J Andrews had now managed to find out who had what allotment and there are three partial allotments vacant. The clerk would put an advert in The Haseleys to see if anyone wished to take them. The clerk had received a quotation for the removal of the asbestos board that was on the allotments. This was for £460 and it was agreed that this should be removed before the polythene sheeting which it is wrapped in starts to disintegrate. The clerk to arrange. There was also a lot of iron rubbish which had been there for many years and this would be removed shortly.

**17/47 Report from the District and County Councillor**

S Harrod said little had been happening due to elections etc but that he would look into the problem of Lewington Close parking.

**17/48 Correspondence**

The usual bag of correspondence was given to the Parish Councillors.

**17/49 Any other business**

There was no other business.

17/50 It was agreed that the next meeting would take place on 10 July at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. It was also agreed that there would not be a meeting during August except for urgent matters and planning. The meeting closed at 9.05pm.

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