

**MINUTES of a MEETING of LITTLE HORWOOD PARISH COUNCIL (LHPC) held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2016 at 8pm in the Memorial Hall, Mursley Road, Little Horwood**

**Present:** Cllrs Cowdrey (Chairman MC), Bull (MB), Davey (JD), Hooper (CH) and Nickoll (PN)  
**Clerk:** Mrs M Cliffe. 8 members of the public were present during the meeting.

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| 1.  | <b>Apologies – Cllr TG</b>   |
| 2   | <b>Declarations of Personal/Prejudicial Interest – as previously declared.</b>   |
| 3   | <b>Minutes of Last Meeting 6th May 2016 - it was RESOLVED to agree and sign the minutes.</b>   |
| 3a  | <b>Matters arising – none.</b>   |
| 4   | <b>Items deferred from Previous Meeting – none.</b>  |
| 5   | <p><b>Correspondence sent and received</b></p> <p>a) A complaint was received about an incident that took place near Norbury Wood involving the crossing of private land. In an email dated October 2015 the landowner confirmed he was happy for residents to cross his field. Following the incident the Clerk wrote to the landowner to check whether he had changed his mind. His response is still awaited. The Clerk was asked to find out what action would be required to make a public footpath along this route.</p>   |
| <b>At approximately 8.30pm the Chairman adjourned the proceedings for public participation.</b> |  |
| 6   | <p><b>Councillors' Reports</b></p> <p>a) <b>Cllr MB</b> reported that MVAS was operational again and a test run had been carried out. The average speed was 31.7% but the percentage of speeders was 29% lower when the MVAS lights were flashing. The highest recorded speed was 55 mph.</p> <p>b) <b>Cllr CH</b> had nothing to report.</p> <p>c) <b>Cllr TG</b> It was reported that Cllr TG had distributed the Village Plan shortlist.</p> <p>d) <b>Cllr JD</b> thoroughly investigated the possibility of starting a car sharing scheme but came to the conclusion that it was not feasible due to the size of the village, lack of available participants and lack of response to requests on the website. The nearest viable community scheme was Wolverton. The Clerk was asked to enquire about the cost of increasing the frequency of Community Bus Trips to local shops.</p> <p>e) <b>Cllr PN</b> reported that the LHRT now had its marquee; they were practicing erecting and dismantling it and looking forward to the first event possibly in the New Year. The Play Around the Parishes event was planned for 12<sup>th</sup> August, catering for children aged from 1 to 11 years between the hours of 10 am and 12 pm. He further reported that no comments or complaints had been received about grass cutting in the village.</p> <p>f) <b>Cllr MC</b></p> <p>i. <b>Grass Cutting.</b> – Cllr MC had asked who was responsible for grass cutting on the corner of Warren Road and the A421. This is the responsibility of Bucks County Council and the grass has now been cut.</p> <p>ii. <b>Damaged Road Sign</b> - Mrs Arnold had earlier mentioned that the 40mph sign by The White House had been knocked down. Cllr MC asked the Clerk to report this damage to the LAT. He further asked the Clerk to report the lack of signs on Clays Lane.</p> <p>iii. <b>Footpath and stile repairs</b> - The stiles on Footpath 27 have now been repaired. The landowner has refused permission for a kissing gate on Footpath 22. He indicated he would be happy with a rising dog gate and Cllr MC has sourced a carpenter to build it. The cost, including installation, would be approximately £50.</p> <p>iv. <b>Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan (VALP).</b> Cllr MC reported that the consultation period on the draft plan had started and would involve meetings around the Vale. It runs until 5<sup>th</sup> September 2016 during which time the PC must think very carefully about their response, ensuring that as much information as possible is made available to residents.</p> <p>v. Cllr MC reported on the A413 footpath and the availability of Aylesbury Vale broadband.</p> <p>vi. A request to trim the hedge adjacent to the permissive path in the Millennium wood. The Clerk was asked to send a letter to the hedge owner.</p> <p>g) <b>The Clerk</b> reported that Walker Grounds Care had incurred bank charges due to the over zealous security concerns of the Parish Council's bank. It was RESOLVED that the PC would pay these</p> |

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|   | charges. The Clerk further reported that the Annual Return had required amending and that an extra charge of £25.00 would be levied by the external accountants, Mazars. Finally, the Clerk reported that new pensions legislation required Parish Councils to provide pensions for their staff. However, LHPC are not currently required to do so as they do not have any qualifying staff. |   |  |
| 7 | <b>Planning and Development</b>  |   |  |
|   | <b>Application</b>   | <b>Location</b>   | <b>Notes</b>   |
|   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Applications Received:</b></li> </ul>  |   |  |
|   | 16/01807/APP   | Meadow View<br>Winslow Road<br>Little Horwood<br>Bucks MK17     | Demolition of existing conservatory and proposed single storey rear Extension.<br><b>LHPC RESOLVED not to comment</b>                              |
|   | 16/01492/APP   | The Bungalow 4<br>Wood End Little<br>Horwood, Bucks<br>MK17 0PE | Demolition of existing bungalow and garage and erection of two detached dwellings - <b>LHPC RESOLVED not to object</b><br><b>Awaiting Decision</b> |
|   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Determined applications – the following were noted</b></li> </ul>  |   |  |
|   | 16/00638/ALB   | Lavender<br>Cottage   | Replacement of rusted French Windows plus one other small rusted window – <b>Listed building consent granted</b>                                   |

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| 8  | <b>Planning and development – no issues arising</b>   |
| 9  | <b>Annual Footpath Walk – the date was set as October 9<sup>th</sup> 2016</b>   |
| 10 | <p><b>Finance -</b></p> <p><b>a.</b> Review bank reconciliation, receipts, payments and authorise cheques (circulated at meeting)<br/>– It was RESOLVED to approve the payments and sign the cheques.</p> <p>i. Eon Direct Debit £128.81</p> <p>ii. 16.16 - Little Horwood Memorial Hall Cheque 001240 £20.00</p> <p>iii. 16.17 - Walker Grounds Care Cheque 001241 £1006.86</p> <p>iv. 16.18 - Clerk's Salary Cheque 001242 £363.31</p> <p>v. 16.19 - Clerk's Salary Cheque 001243 £403.28</p> <p>vi. 16.20 - HMRC Cheque 001244 £100.60</p> |
| 11 | <p><b>Any Other Business – No items were raised</b></p> <p>The meeting closed at 9:37pm</p> <p>The next meeting will be 19<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at 8pm in the Memorial Hall</p> <p>Signed: <span style="float: right;">Chairman at meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2016</span></p> <p>Date:</p>   |
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