

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**  
**held remotely via Zoom Application**  
**ON 7<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Cllr G Murchie, Cllr D Woodcock Cllr R Fihosy Cllr N Martin Cllr R Waldorf & Cllr A Newman

Clerk: Helen Matthews.  
Ward Councillor Cllr K Collins

**Apologies for Absence**

There were none

**1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were none

**2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 7<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

Cllr P Oxley proposed that the minutes were a correct record and was seconded by Cllr Woodcock and the minutes were signed by the Chairman.

**3 POLICE REPORT**

6.1 Police crime report was circulated via e mail

**4 CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL REPORT**

4.1 Gullies after the May meeting have sent through a programme of events

4.2 retirement of the head of CBC 6-month notice period

4.3 Eddie Perry is making a slow recovery and is returning to light duties

4.4 Cllr Fihosy raised the issues of overgrown bushes.

4.5 Cllr Martin raised the issue of flooding. Gus has meeting with head Gardner of Luton Hoo to see if remedial works can take place. Meeting has been arranged for next week. Cllr Newman is aware of flooding which has been reported and a repair is scheduled.

**5 CLERKS REPORT**

8.2 Council reviewed and AGREED annual risk assessment

8.3 Council reviewed and AGREED PC assets register

8.4 Council reviewed and AGREED on annual governance form Chairman & Clerk to sign

8.5 correspondence received from Slip End parish Council

8.6 Clerk updated Council on the Website

**PAYMENTS AUTHORISED**

Due to the meeting being held remotely it was agreed that the Clerk would arrange for signatures outside of the meeting to all cheques agreed.

| Cheque No | Payee      | Amount | Description                |
|-----------|------------|--------|----------------------------|
| 100471    | N West     | 110.00 | Internal Audit 2019 & 2020 |
| 100472    | H Matthews | 260.00 | Clerks wages May & June    |
| 100473    | H Matthews | 93.20  | Clerks fixed expenses      |

## **6 HIGHWAYS REPORT**

9.1 Cllr Murchie is in contact with Highways. Matters reported under the matters for CBC. Consensus was that the Gullies are the area that needs most attention.

Cllr Waldorf commented on the new yellow cross hatched box which has been painted on the road at the crossroads at the bottom of Chiltern Green Road meeting the Lower Harpenden Road. It was agreed to be very effective.

Cllr Waldorf commented on the position of the deer signs. They were not placed in the exact place requested but it was agreed that it would need to be good enough for the purpose.

Cllr Waldorf commented on the lack of use of the cycle paths. The feed back was that serious cyclists did not want to use them. She feels that signs should be used to bring about awareness that the path is there. Cllr Newman will talk to Steve Dixon who is looking into these type of matters

## **7 PLANNING**

**There were no applications**

## **8 VISION FOR THE FUTURE**

Cllr Martin updated on the responses to the councils first letter. The art of the possible means potential options for allowable development within the Parish both residential and non-residential which might or indeed might not be acceptable to residents.

Cllr Martin will look to set up a separate meeting. Clerk advised that the council should form a sub-committee and appoint representatives. Consideration was given to which councillors are interested in getting involved in the sub-committee Cllr Murchie, Cllr Waldorf and Edward Phillips put themselves forward it was also suggested that an invitation is extended to Andy Peach member of public who had responded to the mail shot.

## **9 CORRESPONDENCE**

All correspondence was sent prior to the meeting.

## **10 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no public

## **11 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

Next meeting 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020

End of the meeting 20.30pm.

Signed..... Dated.....