

**Minutes of the full Council Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at Nash Mills Village Hall, Hemel Hempstead**

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Councillors present: - Cllr. Mrs Foster  
Cllr. Doole  
Cllr. Mrs Doole  
Cllr. Jackson  
Cllr. Ms Bayley

Also present: David Drew, Parish Warden.

**1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN AND WELCOME**

Cllr. Mrs Foster welcomed everybody to the meeting.

**2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE / DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Apologies had been received from HG, TC and LS. JM advised that she would be late.

There were no declarations of interest.

**3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no members of the public present.

**4. SIGNING OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.**

It was agreed that January's minutes would be signed at the next meeting.

**5. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

GD advised that at the Finance meeting there were no outstanding actions from the previous meeting, they had all had been resolved. The previous minutes had been agreed. Income and bank reconciliation had been signed. The clerk will meet with signatories in the near future and will bring a hard copy of the financial schedule and the cheque book to be signed. Items to be discussed at the next meeting will be the budget, which had been agreed by Cllrs. in principle. The lease at Bunkers Playing Fields would also be put on the agenda for next month.

**7. BUDGET/SETTING OF THE PRECEPT**

The Clerk had previously emailed all Councillors prior to the February meeting advising that the general dispensation that they had signed in 2012 allowed them to legally set the precept. Steve Baker, DBC had advised that the dispensation would need to be revised after the next election.

GD and the Clerk had held a budget meeting in January.

The draft budget figures had then been circulated to all Cllrs. some minor adjustments were made which included funds for 'The Residents' Association Initiative'. Cllrs. had all agreed to the figures in principle by email. The precept figure for 2015/16 Band D had been set at £23.84. LF/HG and DJ signed the finance papers A and B sent from DBC. A hard copy was sent to Aaron Keyte, DBC. Copies had been made and kept for audit purposes.

**8. FUTURE WORK PROGRAMME**

a) Chalkmines Update - LB reported that this was due to be signed off.

b) Issues raised by Warden's Report - DD reported that Bunkers playing field had remained locked by AHS.

c) Matters raised by Councillors - DJ advised that he had been contacted by a resident from Nash Wharf. A letter from Mike Penning, MP had been circulated regarding a survey for superfast broadband. DJ will email the Clerk and it will be available on the parish council website. **DJ**

GD reported that he had been in contact with a resident who had reported that drones had been flying over Bunkers Park. He will contact DBC. **GD**

LB advised that she had spoken to Luke Johnson, DBC regarding the issues surrounding the trees in Highbarns. She will be contacting DBC for help towards funding. **LB**

LB also raised the issue of parking on Red Lion Lane. It was suggested that photographic evidence would need to be provided and sent to HCC. **LB**

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d) Abbot's Hill playing fields - This item was still currently under negotiation but GD advised that this appeared to be coming to a conclusion. This item will be discussed at the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.25pm.

The next full parish council meeting will be held on Monday 9th March 2015.

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Chairman

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