Hanslope Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting held in the Village Hall on Monday 11th May 2015 at 7.30 pm

Councillors attending; Mr Cook (Chairman), Miss Briggs, Mrs Green, Mr Green, Mrs Mobley, Mr Palmer, Mrs Price, Mr Proctor

Clerk; Mr McDonald,

Item 1 Signing of acceptance of office forms

Miss Briggs had posted her form to M.K. Council so was unable to sign and become a Parish Councillor. The Parish Council allowed Miss Briggs to stay for the meeting but not participate. The other forms were duly signed and witnessed

Item 2 Apologies;

Mrs Courtman

Item 3 Declarations of interest's statement;

Mr Proctor re The Globe planning application

Item 4 Election of Chairman

The Parish Council resolved; "To unanimously elect Mrs Green as Chair", Mr Cook left the meeting at this point as the retiring chairman's duties were completed

Item 5 Election of Vice-Chairman

The Parish Council resolved; "To unanimously elect Mr Palmer as Vice Chair"

Item 6 Appointment to Sub Committees This item was carried forward to the June meeting

Item 7 Acceptance of the Minutes of the April 2015 meeting

The Council resolved; "To accept the minutes as a true record of the April 2015 meeting"

Item 8 Matters arising not covered by agenda items

Naming of old bus garage site; further information required

Item 9 Matters arising from the April Open Meeting; None

Item 10 Matters raised by members of the public; None

Item 11 Best Kept Village Competition

Mr Coles joined the meeting, reported progress and made suggestions for improvements

Item 12 Neighbourhood Plan

A Sub Committee has been formed to start making progress on this plan

Item 13 Finance

- a. The account for the month was examined and the Council resolved; "To approve and sign cheques to the value of £3,598.67 to cover outstanding bills and commitments"
- b. The Council resolved; "To appoint Mr McDonald as the Responsible Financial Officer for 2015/2016"
- c. The Council resolved; "To approve the financial controls and regulations for 2015/2016. These were signed by the Chair and form part of these minutes"
- d. Reported that Miss Fuller is unable to carry out Clerks duties due to impending operation. Review to take place when Miss Fuller's health situation is resolved. Mr McDonald to carry on as Clerk until September
- e. Clerk given approval to arrange hedge trimming works in the recreation ground children's play area as suggested by the best kept village team

Item 14 Correspondence

- a. Noted that the planning application with regard to the recreation is ongoing
- b. Clerk to respond to local residents comments about possible car park extensions in the recreation ground and at the Village Hall

Item 15 Planning

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Extend public house and build 3 new dwellings The Globe, Hartwell Road; The Parish Council supports this

application and is very keen to see the Globe renovated and reopened as soon as possible. This is an important village asset well used by residents

Item 16 Councillors Reports

None

Item 17 Ongoing Business and News Items

Newsletter; due for publication early June