

**HANSLOPE PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of Hanslope Parish Council held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at 7.30pm at The Village Hall, Newport Road, Hanslope**

Present: Cllrs J Green (Chairman), Wheeler, Courtman, Mobley, Proctor, Palmer (7.20pm), Price, R Green  
 Sarah Fuller - Clerk  
 Also Present: Mr R Coles, Resident

<b>022/2015</b>	No apologies for absence were received.			
<b>023/2015</b>	No declarations of interest were received.			
<b>024/2015</b>	Public participation session will take place at 7.35pm			
<b>a)</b>	<p>Robin Coles, Resident – Tidying and improving the village – noticeboards are very good. Litter bins need some more maybe along Castlethorpe Road, by bus stops. Planters not necessary on Market Square, Les has got into growing things replanted the village sign. Post boxes Gold St, Castlethorpe Road and Long Street – these need repainting. Bus shelters long street road need council houses needs work done on the wood around the bottom of the roof and the one on long street by the globe on Long Street. Bus shelter on market square needs repainting. Might be nice to have a walk through some planting but would have to ask the farmers for a bit of their land. Information board could possibly be up near the pond (JG suggestion). Stony Stratford has a good information boards around where historic sites are. Community noticeboard as the one they have is not any good as you cannot place two A4 sheets on it side by side. Frank Andrews puts the Christmas Tree up. Wooden Road sign on Junction of Newport and Park Road is deteriorating rapidly. Harkness Court pond needs maintenance as there are a lot of weeds growing around the outside.</p> <p>Cllr Palmer mentioned the Best Kept Village award and said on average most items scored between 75/80% of points available and less than 50% was scored on the following: - nature conservation areas, noticeboards, War Memorial (village doesn't have one), Community activity.</p>			
<b>025/2015</b>	The parish council resolved to accept the Minutes of the full Parish Council meeting held on Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> October 2015 as a true and accurate reflection of that meeting.			
<b>026/2015</b>	Matters arising from the above minutes.			
<b>a)</b>	Cllr Courtman enquired if the clerk had received any communication from the school regarding their previous funding request. Clerk has not received any communication.			
<b>027/2015</b>	<b>Correspondence/communication</b>			
<b>a)</b>	<p>Email 30/10/15 from Resident regarding the fence being erected on Eastfield Drive. Cllr J Green is investigating this matter and will provide an update at the meeting.</p> <p>Cllr J Green has spoken with the resident who produced a letter from the Parish Council confirming they were in agreement with the erection of the fence. Cllr J Green has asked the resident to contact Milton Keynes Council's planning department. Cllr J Green will keep Council updated on any progress made.</p>			
<b>b)</b>	<p>Emails 17<sup>th</sup> (2), 24<sup>th</sup> &amp; 25<sup>th</sup> October from resident regarding various matters. Clerk has reported some items on MK Council's website.</p> <p>Council wish to thank the writer for their input and also note some of the items mentioned are being or going to be dealt with.</p>			
<b>c)</b>	<p>Email 21/10/15 regarding the floodlights on the astro turf being on after 9pm.</p> <p>Clerk informed council that she had spoken with the recreational hall caretaker and the situation had been dealt with. It appears one of the user groups may have accidentally left the lights on.</p>			
<b>028/2015</b>	<b>Finances</b>			
<b>a)</b>	Clerk has not received the current bank statement but as soon as she receives them, she will email balances to councillors.			
<b>b)</b>	<u>Invoices</u>			
	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Power to Pay</b>	<b>Amount</b>
	M Fuller	Clerk's wages	LGA 1972 s112	£828
8288	AH Contracts	Emptying dog bins	Open Spaces Act s.10	£48 (inc vat £8)
	British Gas	Gas supply to recreation club		£78.14 (inc vat £3.72)
	BT	BT telephone & Internet charges	LGA 1972 s112	£137.52 (inc vat £22.92)

1194	Marcus Young Landscapes Ltd	Grounds maintenance Oct 15	Open Spaces Act s.10	£715 (inc vat £119.17)
1195	Marcus Young Landscapes Ltd	Pond maintenance 16/10/15	Open Spaces Act s.10	£474 (inc vat £79)
21/07-20/10/15	Anglian Water	Hall & Prem Recreation field	LGA 1976 (Misc Prov) s.19	£63.97
21/07-22/10/15	Anglian Water	Allotments	Small Holdings & Allotments Act 1906	£125.06
	Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal	Donation for Remembrance Wreath on behalf of Parish Council and Residents	S137	£100
October	Les Mclean	Village & recreational pavilion caretaker	LGA s.133	£789.86
Year2014/2015	Hanslope Village Hall	Parish Council meeting room hire	LGA 1972 s.112	£400
	BT	Previous clerk's parish telephone	LGA 1972 s.112	£67.45
	Murrays Printers Ltd	Printing of village newsletter	LGA 1972 s.112	£150
	<b>Total sum of invoices to be paid £3,977</b>			
c)	British Gas have not received cheque 002536 – cheque will need to be cancelled and reissued (see above). Cheque 002537 issued last month to Bert Macdonald for payment of the BT bill was raised in error and should have been made payable to BT (to be reissued – see above) – Councillors duly noted this information.			
d)	Clerk has received a further letter from HMRC regarding PAYE. Clerk has contact Barbara Osborne (Payroll service) to assist with wages. Approximately £20 per month. Councillors agree to the expense of a payroll service to assist the clerk with managing the HMRC payments.			
e)	Budget – Clerk is to gather as much financial information as possible and provide to councillors. Item to be placed on the next Agenda.			
<b>029/2015</b>	Village litter bins – Plastic bins need to be replaced as they are in poor condition. Cllrs Mobley and Courtman are to detail how many bins there are in the village, where they are and what condition they are in. Put on next agenda.			
<b>030/2015</b>	Update from Cllrs Courtman & Mobley following their attendance at the Sports and Recreational Ground committee meeting. A new chairman needs to be elected. The caretaker went into the building one Sunday and found empty beer cans and cigarette ends. The Parish Council are extremely concerned. Extraordinary meeting 18/11/15 at 7pm. Clerk to write to key holders, user groups they are to bring their keys along.			
<b>031/2015</b>	Planning (to consider plans as set out below and any received prior to the meeting).			
a)	Application No. 15/02571/LBC Maltings Farmhouse, Newport Rd – consent to fit 18 solar panels on roof of single garage. Member of the parish council will attend site and a decision will be sent to MK Council planning. Full Council agree this course of action.			
b)	Application No. 15/02330/LBC Hales Folly Farm, Hartwell Rd – alterations to former garage building to remove internal walls, infilling of external doorway to window and creation of opening for conservatory. Councillors do not object to the planning application but a member of the parish council will attend the site to ensure the planning application is correct. Clerk to write to MK Council after inspection.			
<b>032/2015</b>	Update on planning applications – Councillors to receive a verbal report from clerk. Application for appeal – 12 dwellings still to be determined.			
<b>033/2015</b>	Harkness Court Pond – Councillors to receive information from Cllr J Green concerning the pond in Harkness Court. Pond is full of weeds and is heavily overgrown. Ideal time of year to have maintenance works carried out. 3 maintenance visits per year April, June & October. £885 plus vat. Clerk to check what the price of £885 includes the 3 visits or per visit. Councillors would like a more detailed quote i.e. how many plants and are they included in price. Councillors resolve to accept the quote of £880 plus vat to have the pond cleaned.			

<b>034/2015</b>	Cllr Proctor provide councillors with an update relating to a copy letter the Managing Director of the Globe PH had sent to MK Council's planning department concerning delays with the planning application to erect 3 dwellings on the pub site. Councillors noted the contents of the letter and understand that Ward Councillor Green has spoken with the planning department at MK Council and moved the matter along.
<b>035/2015</b>	<u>MK Plan meeting 29/10/15</u> Cllr J Green provided councillors with a print out of the slides from the meeting on the 29 <sup>th</sup> October. Cllr J Green provided an update and discussions amongst the councillors took place. Cllr Proctor to structure a letter outlining the reasons why the parish council disagrees with the MK Plan in the event it goes out to consultation. Item to be placed on next agenda.
<b>036/2015</b>	Cllr Courtman would like to discuss the Inspection of and future of unused council land and garages in Williams Close. Cllr Courtman suggested the site could be used for elderly housing. Between now and the next parish council meeting Councillors are to attend the site. Item to be placed on next agenda.
<b>037/2015</b>	Cllr J Green to provide councillors with an update relating to various issues arising from the parish councillor's village walkabout. Sand on footpath - parish councillor has asked this be removed. Cllr J Green has raised various issues with residents regarding sand, rubble and skip on council land and blocking the footpath. Cllr J Green will check before the next meeting to ensure issues are satisfactorily resolved.
<b>038/2015</b>	Councillors to consider the letter from Conergy dated 19/10/15 relating to one off donation of £50,000 for community benefit. Councillors do not agree to the terms of the letter from Littlewood Solar Farm dated July 2015. Cllr J Green to write a letter requesting monies are sent and they will be used for the community benefit.
	<b>Items for next agenda</b> Williams Close - unused land and garages MK Plan – draft letter, Cllr Proctor Harkness Court Pond Sports and Recreational Hall meeting 18/11/15 Village bins – Cllrs Mobley & Courtman Budget Village notice post – fence to be cut to allow ease of access for resident putting up notices.

Meeting closed 10.40pm

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cllr J Green, Chairman

Date: 14<sup>th</sup> December 2015