

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HINXWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON  
THURSDAY 5th JANUARY 2017 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.00 PM.**

**Present:**

**Mr R. Lewis (Chairman)**  
**Mr R. Cobb (Vice- Chairman)**  
**Mr D. Osmond**  
**Mr E. Sore**  
**Mr N. Tiffin**  
**Mrs W. Kitchener (Clerk)**

**1. The Minutes of the last meeting:** The minutes of the meeting of 1<sup>st</sup> December were agreed by the Parish Councillors and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Nicholas Tiffin and seconded by Eric Sore.

**2. Matters arising not elsewhere on the Agenda:** Nothing to report.

**3. Correspondence:** Nothing to report.

**4. Finance:**

**Current Parish Council Funds:** The Councillors agreed to the expenditure for the current month. Proposed by Russell Lewis and seconded by Eric Sore.

**5. Planning:**

**The Trees behind the War Memorial:** The Parish Councillors have a copy of the Land Registry plans for the War Memorial site and the surrounding area. The exact delineation of the boundary of the War Memorial is still unclear. The Parish Councillors therefore intend to make further enquiries. **Richard Cobb is to action.**

**The Land next to Cantlebury Chapel Street:** The Parish Councillors are monitoring the continuing work to this site.

**6. Highways:**

**Various Issues:** Having contacted Tony Hunter, County Councillor and Gary Henning, Hertfordshire Highways again in November the following work is still outstanding. The gully in the High Street adjacent to junction with Homefield requires clearing. The area from the Hinxworth Village sign on past the 30mph speed sign at the entrance to the Village from Edworth on the left is obscured by overgrown hedges. The kerb areas in Francis Road are becoming overgrown with weeds etc. **Wendy Kitchener is to contact Tony Hunter and Gary Henning Hertfordshire Highways again.**

**7. Village Hall:** Nothing to report.

**8. Recreation Ground:**

**Joy Riding;** It has been reported to the Parish Council that there appears to be vehicles using the Recreation Ground as a racing track. The Parish Councillors, having discussed the matter, agreed to the installation of a locked barrier between the gap in the hedge area entrance at the far end of the Car Park/Recreation Ground.

**Play Area Inspection Report:** There are no particular concerns regarding the Play Area. The Councillors intend to set up a working party to clean the area and equipment before the Spring. **Eric Sore is to arrange.**

**Recreation Ground Maintenance:** David Granger will forward his quote to the Parish Council. **Wendy Kitchener is to arrange.**

**9. The Tennis Court:** The Parish Councillors agreed to the cleaning of the Court at the same time as the Play Area. **Eric Sore is to arrange.**

**10. The Allotments:** Two further plots have been taken-up.

**11. Any Other Urgent Business:**

**Defibrillator:** Russell Lewis reported to the meeting he has confirmation from the British Heart Foundation that his application for a defibrillator for the Village has been successful. He should receive the package within

three to six weeks. There will be a full training package included along with instructions of installation, set-up and use of the defibrillator. **Russell Lewis will continue to oversee the project.**

**Hinxworth Parish Council Website:** Russell Lewis reported to the meeting he has the relevant information regarding the setting-up of the Hinxworth Parish Council website. He has liaised with Joe Perricone regarding the purchasing of a laptop and all other equipment required. The design of the website has yet to be finalised. **Russell Lewis will continue to action further.**

**Hinxworth Archers:** The Annual Agreement for the Archers use of the Recreation Ground is up for renewal in April. This will be discussed at the February Parish Council Meeting.

**AGM:** To take place on Thursday April 6<sup>th</sup> at 8.00pm in the Village Hall.

**12: Date of the Next Meeting:** Thursday February 2nd 2017 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall.  
The meeting closed at 7.55 pm.