

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HINXWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
THURSDAY 1st NOVEMBER 2018 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.00 PM.**

Present:

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

Apologies:- Russell Lewis - Steve Jarvis Hertfordshire County Councillor.

1. The Minutes of the last meeting: The minutes of the meeting of 4th October were agreed by the Parish Councillors and signed by Chairman Richard Cobb. Proposed by Nick 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 Eric Sore and seconded by Richard Cobb.

The Precept: The Parish Council has been notified by NHDC that they will require the figure for the financial year 2019-2020 by 18th January 2019. The precept therefore will be discussed the next Parish Council meeting on 6th December.

5. Planning: Nothing to report.

6. Highways:

The Smiley Face Speed Sign for the Village: As reported in the minutes last month Richard Cobb met with Gary Henning to discuss further the siting of the speed sign. All the outstanding issues have been resolved to now allow the sign to be installed. The Parish Councillors are still awaiting a response from Gary Henning as to how and when the sign is likely to be in place. Wendy Kitchener to contact him on behalf of the Councillors for a progress report.

The "Community Drive Safe Scheme" application for funding will be made by the due date.

Speeding Traffic through the Village: The Parish Councillors have become very concerned as to the traffic speeding through the Village. They therefore agreed to ask Wendy Kitchener to contact PCSO Chris Braybrook (Royston Rural) to arrange for a mobile police speed team to come to the Village to monitor the speeding vehicles.

Salt Allocation for the 2018/19: The application has been made to Hertfordshire County Council for 34 bags of 20kg of salt for use during the winter. It is expected these will be delivered at the beginning of November. Wendy Kitchener is still awaiting notification, she will follow-up next week.

Hertfordshire County Council Rights of Way: Julia Clarke, Access Project Manager, has notified the Parish Council of her intention to "improve and repair" Hinxworth Byway 4 and Ashwell Byway 21. Commonly known locally as the BOAT which runs from the Dunton Road to Ashwell. The Parish Councillors have now been notified the work has commenced. The access to the route will remain open throughout the work.

7. Village Hall: Nothing to report.

The Entrance to the Recreation Ground from the Car Park: There is an ongoing problem with the transporting of the gate to the Recreation Ground. Other options will be looked at before the next Parish Council meeting. To be discussed further then.

9. The Tennis Court: Nothing to report.

10. The Allotments: An additional Allotmenteer has taken plot 14. Therefore plots occupied are now fifteen and five vacant.

11. Any Other Urgent Business:

The War Memorial : A working party of the Parish Councillors will tidy and clear the area ready for the Centenary Memorial Service on Sunday 11th November.

12: Date of the Next Meeting- Thursday December 6th 2018 at **7.00pm** in the Village Hall. The meeting closed at 7.55pm.