

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HINXWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
THURSDAY 6th DECEMBER 2018 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.00 PM.**

Present: Mr R. Cobb (Chairman)
Mr D. Osmond
Mr E. Sore
Mrs W. Kitchener (Clerk)

Other Person Attending:- Steve Jarvis Hertfordshire County Councillor

Apologies:- Russell Lewis, Nick Tiffin.

1. The Minutes of the last meeting: The minutes of the meeting of 1st November were agreed by the Parish Councillors and signed by Chairman Richard Cobb. Proposed by Eric Sore and seconded by David Osmond.

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

3. Correspondence: The Chairman has received details from PCSO Chris Brabrook of the speed of vehicles passing through the Village. These are historical and the Chairman is now awaiting further information from PCSO Brabrook on the best way forward in dealing with this problem.

4. Finance:

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

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 3rd January when all Councillors should be present. Wendy Kitchener will notify NHDC of this be in the interim.

5. Planning: Nothing to report.

6. Highways:

The Smiley Face Speed Sign for the Village: This is now in place. The Councillors wish to convey their thanks to Steve Jarvis and Gary Henning for their help in this matter.

The "Community Drive Safe Scheme" application for funding has been made by Nick Tiffin and acknowledged by the Scheme co-ordinator. It is therefore now hoped the application will be successful.

Data from the Speed Sign will be down loaded to provide the Councillors with the current information on vehicles speeding through the Village. Wendy Kitchener is to contact Gary Henning for his advice on when and how this data can be down loaded and forwarded to the Councillors. Likewise to obtain the likely cost of providing this information. The Councillors are in agreement the Parish Council will meet such costs.

Salt Allocation for the 2018/19: The application made to Hertfordshire County Council for 34 bags of 20kg of salt for use during the winter have now been delivered. The Councillors wish to convey their thanks to Roy Watler for arranging storage at Marshfield Farm and to overseeing the delivery.

Eric Sore reported he had filled the four salt bins in the Village ready for the use by the Villagers as and when necessary.

7. Village Hall: David Osmond reported the Village Hall Management Committee are currently working hard preparing for the "Christmas Extravaganza". This will be taking place in the Village Hall on December 8th.

8. Recreation Ground:

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 therefore the Councillors have agreed to contact David Granger for him to purchase and install the gate. Wendy Kitchener is to arrange.

The Annual Play Area Inspection: This took place on November 23rd. The report has now been received detailing the areas of concern. Most of these are very low or low risk. Eric Sore will check the area along with the findings of the report. The Councillors will then arrange a working party to rectify the points raised.

9. The Tennis Court: David Osmond is to check the court and the net to see if there are any issues that require attention.

10. The Allotments: Nothing to report.

11. Any Other Urgent Business: Nothing to report.

12: Date of the Next Meeting- Thursday January 3rd 2019 at **7.00pm** in the Village Hall. The meeting closed at 7.55pm.