

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HINXWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD
IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 13th MAY 2021 AT 7.00 PM.**

Present:

Mr R. Cobb (Chairman)
Mr N. Tiffin
Mr A. Lloyd
Mr B. Higgins
Mrs W. Kitchener (Clerk)

Apologies: Anthony Dawson.

Other persons present:- Steve Jarvis Hertfordshire County Councillor. Tom Tyson District Councillor

1. The Minutes of the last meeting: The minutes of the meeting of 18th March 2021 were agreed by the Parish Councillors. Proposed by Tony Lloyd and seconded by Nick Tiffin.

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 Tony Lloyd and seconded by Nick Tiffin.

Smaller Authorities (England): The exemption certificate has now been signed by the Chairman (Richard Cobb) and the Financial Officer Responsible (Wendy Kitchener) and will be forwarded PKF Littlejohn LLL (Ref: SBA Team) 1 Westferry Circus, Canary Wharf, London E14 4HD. The accountants responsible for overseeing the Smaller Authorities (England).

All other relevant documents for the Annual Accounts of 2020/2021 have been signed and will be posted on the Hinxworth Parish Council website. Should any resident of Hinxworth require any details or clarification of the current accounts/audit please contact Wendy Kitchener by email wggk@btinternet.com or by telephone 01767-313766.

The Parish Councillors convey their thanks Wendy for compiling and finalising the accounts and to Jayne Whitfield who carried out the internal audit.

Anonymous Donation:- The Parish Council has received an anonymous donation of £2500.00 this is to be held in the War Memorial repair/upkeep fund.

5. Planning:

Planning Application 21/01456/FP – Land at the North West side of the High Street.

Nick Tiffin left the meeting for this item as he declared an interest. He has also notified NHDC of this in his Declaration of Interest form as the owner of the parcel of land.

The Councillors agreed to meet on site on May 24th to discuss the matter further and reach a decision on their response to NHDC.

6. Highways:

Road Repairs:- A revised schedule of dates as to when the work it to be started is awaited.

Road Gullies:- Arrangements are to be made for these to be emptied.

Traffic Calming Measures:- A feasibility study is to be arranged as what would be the ideal solution to this problem in the High Street.

7. Village Hall: It is hoped to reopen the Hall on June 21st,

Disabled Parking:- The Councillors are to arrange for an additional bay to be installed.

Broken Paving Slab:- This is to be replaced.

8. Recreation Ground:

Hedge Cutting around the perimeter of the Recreation Ground: Will be done once the nesting season is over.

The Archery Club: The Chairman has provided David Osmond with the Annual Agreement for 2021/2022. As and when the Archery Club can access the site. The Club has, with the consent of the Parish Council, rearranged for the use of the Recreation Ground for two extra hours on a Thursday evening between 4.00pm and 6.00pm.

The Play Area:- The play equipment is to be pressure washed on 5th June at 5.00pm.

9. The Tennis Court: The Court is now unlocked for use by the Villagers. The Councillors intend to re-white line the court markings in the near future.

10. Allotments: Nothing to Report.

11. Any Other Urgent Business:

The A.P.M. This will be held on Thursday August 5th 2021. In the Village Hall at 8.00pm.

12: Date of the Next Meeting:- Thursday July 3rd at 7.00pm in the Village Hall. The meeting closed at 8.05 pm.