MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HINXWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 2nd FEBRUARY 2023 AT 7.00 PM.

Present: Mr R Cobb (Chairman)

Mr N Tiffin (Vice Chairman)

Mr A. Lloyd Mr A. Dawson Mr B. Higgins

Mrs W. Kitchener (Clerk)

Other Persons Present: Steve Jarvis County Councillor, Tom Tyson District Councillor.

- 1. **The Minutes of the last meeting:** The minutes of the meeting of 5th January were agreed by the Parish Councillors. Proposed by Nick Tiffin and seconded by Tony Dawson.
- 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 Nick Tiffin and Tony Lloyd.

5. Planning:

Planning Consultation 22/03168/PNQ Farrowby Farm, New Inn Road. The Parish Council has received the decision notice for NHDC regarding this application.

6. Highways:

Traffic Calming Feasibility Study: The Councillors met on January 23rd with the Hertfordshire Highways and Steve Jarvis to discuss the Traffic Calming project planned for the Village. This proved a very constructive meeting with a plan to enable the project to commence in the next financial year. This project will be split into two parts, with speed cushions and other calming measures coming in 2024/25 after the usual public consultations. The Councillors thanked Steve Jarvis for his help.

7. Village Hall: Nothing to report.

8. Recreation Ground:

The Repair to the Gate Entrance to the Recreation Ground: A further quote is awaited.

The Children's Play Area. It is some years since this area was upgraded. The Councillors intend to review the play equipment to as to see if any further equipment, if funds were available, could be installed.

Annual Grass Cutting of the Recreation Ground: D.J Granger has submitted a quote to renew his contract for the 2023/24 season. The Councillors agreed to accept the quote. Proposed by Dick Cobb and seconded by Tony Lloyd.

Archery Club; The agreement for the 2023/24 season is being drawn-up ready for signature. Dick Cobb is to liaise with David Osmond.

9. The Tennis Court: Nothing to report.

10. Allotments: Nothing to report.

11. Any Other Urgent Business: Nothing to report.

Annual Parish Meeting: A provisional date of March 30th was agreed by the Councillors. As the meeting would normally take place on the first Thursday of the month, which would have been April 6th in this instance, and with Good Friday being April 7th and then with the Easter holiday being on that weekend, the Parish Councillors thought it prudent to bring the APM meeting forward by a week. The members of other meetings expected to take place on the same day will be notified for their agreement

May Local Elections May 4th: Please note any Village resident who is interested in putting their name forward as a candidate for election to the Parish Council and requires further information the website www.north-herts.gov.uk (elections-and-voting) provides further details.

12: Date of the Next Meeting:

Thursday 2nd March 2023 in the Village Hall at 7.00pm. The meeting closed at 8.05 pm.