MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HINXWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 5th OCTOBER 2023 AT 7.00 PM.

Present:

Mr N. Tiffin (Chairman). Mr R. Cobb (Vice- Chairman). Mr T Lloyd. Mr A. Dawson Mrs W. Kitchener (Clerk)

Other person present: Steve Jarvis Hertfordshire County Councillor, Apologies: Tom Tyson District Councillor.

1. The Minutes of the last meeting: The minutes of the meeting of 7th September were agreed by the Parish Councillors. Proposed by Tony Lloyd and seconded by Dick Cobb.

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

3. Correspondence:

Polling Station Consultation: A link to this lengthy document received by the Council will be posted on the Hinxworth Parish Council Website.

4. Finance:

Current Parish Council Funds: The Councillors agreed to the expenditure for the current month. Proposed by Tony Dawson and seconded by Tony Lloyd.

5. Planning:

Planning Consultations:

Application 23/02211/FP Pear Tree House, Chapel Street, Hinxworth. The Parish Council agreed to "no objection" to this application.

Application 233/02241/AD The Three Horseshoes, High Street, Hinxworth. The Parish Council agreed to "no objection" to this application.

Application 23/02243/LBC The Three Horseshoes, High Street, Hinxworth. The Parish Council agreed to "no objection" to this application.

Application 23/01891/FPH: The Stables, Pulters Farm Barn, New Inn Road, Hinxworth. The Parish Council has received a decision notice regarding this application.

6. Highways:

Traffic Calming Feasibility Study: Steve Jarvis reported the phase 1 funding has been approved and the gates have now been ordered. He now reported the revised consultation document and plans on phase 2 is done and will be sent out for comment in due course.

Grass Cutting: This is still awaited.

7. Village Hall:

Manhole Cover: The manhole cover alongside of the Village Hall is broken. The Parish Council has arranged for it to be repaired and notify the Village Hall Management Committee accordingly.

8. Recreation Ground:

Parking: The Parish Councillors have been notified that when the Village Hall is in use along with the Recreation Ground parking in the car park can be a problem. Therefore, they request all users of the car park ensure they park to enable the space to be used to maximum effect. If necessary on extreme circumstances an overflow area will be used if ground conditions allow.

The Gate/Pedestrian Entrance: Connor Methven intends to commence the work in October.

The Caravan Club: The Hertfordshire Caravan Club Annual held their annual rally on the Recreation Ground between 15th and 17th of September. The weather was good and as always the Caravan Clubbers had an enjoyable weekend.

9. The Tennis Court: Nothing to report.

10. Allotments:

The Allotment Group: Dick Cobb met with the Allotmenteers and a plan of action was discussed and agreed regarding the upgrade of the water facility. David Eddell is to produce the plan and the likely costing. The Parish Council will fund this out of the monies held from the Allotmenteers subscriptions.

The Parish Councillors also welcome Lizzie Cree to the position of Allotment Chair person having taken over from Hilary Perricone, who we thank for her efforts.

11. Any Other Urgent Business:

The War Memorial Clock: The annual clock maintenance is due. A. J. James of Saffron Walden are to be contacted to arrange a date.

Additionally the clock tower building is in need of some repair. The Memorial is a listed building therefore the Councillors will seek advice on the way forward and possible options.

12: Date of the Next Meeting: Thursday 2nd November in the Village Hall at 7.00pm. The meeting closed at 8.10pm.