

Haversham-cum-Little Linford Parish Council
Meeting held on 21st January 2018
At Haversham Social and Community Centre, Manor Drive.

Present:

Nicholas Watson (Chair)
Pam Williams
Ian Burgess
Carol Langham
Pam Furniss
Barry Clift
Thomas Walker (Clerk)

Apologies: Ed Neal.

In attendance: One member of the public representing Branch Out MK.

The meeting was preceded by a public forum during which no issues were raised

	Minutes	Actions
001/19	Apologies Apologies were received from Councillor Neal.	
002/19	Declarations of Interest Councillor Langham declared a personal interest on item 015/19 in respect of the 106 Wolverton Road application.	
009/18	Allotments This item was taken ahead of the rest of the meeting to consider the plans supplied by Branch Out MK. Branch Out MK's previously discussed plans for a wind turbine and large polytunnel were tabled and discussed. Concerns were raised by Councillor Burgess over noise produced by turbines, the sensitivity of them in the local community due to previous proposals and potential maintenance liability. These were echoed by other councillors. A further concern was raised over the height of the turbine above buildings needed to reach winds and potential visual intrusion. The Parish Council decided to approve the proposed large polytunnel but requires further convincing on the turbine.	
003/19	Minutes of Previous Meetings The minutes of the previous meetings held on 17 th December 2018 were agreed as a true record and signed by the chair.	
004/19	Representations from the Public There were no representations from members of the public on items on the agenda.	
005/19	Finance Papers The finance papers, as previously circulated, were noted. Councillor Clift asked for clarification on the RTM Landscapes bills and their cutting plans throughout the year. The clerk to pursue this.	TW
006/19	Website Councillor Clift reported that publication of minutes and agendas is ongoing. The clerk will bring a Google Analytics report to the next meeting. The Chair reminded Councillors that he would like a short paragraph from each for a 'your councillors' page on the website. The Clerk to check with new hosting providers about possible site migration and try to seek a lower price from WSAAS.	ALL CLLRS TW
007/19	Speed Monitoring Project Councillor Burgess reported that the SID has been operational on the lower village High Street inbound for two weeks. A technical issue with the device is preventing the data from being downloaded. The	

	outbound direction will be monitored once the downloading issue is resolved. The speedwatch camera is in the possession of a local resident who is helping with the monitoring project.	
008/19	<p>Magazine Publication</p> <p>The first advertising income for this year has been received totalling two £90 payments. The clerk will make a spreadsheet of advertisers indicating what is paid and owed and circulate this. Councillors Langham and Williams will meet the editor when possible to discuss printing options.</p>	TW CL/PW
010/19	<p>Setting of Allotment Rent Rate</p> <p>Councillor Furniss recommended that the current rates be retained in line with the previous policy of raising rates on alternate years. The allotments need promotion to improve uptake and magazine articles, posters and social media posts are suggested. Councillor Burgess proposed that the rates for Branch Out MK be raised in 2020 in line with other plots, retaining a discounted rate overall, and that they be advised of this intention this year. This was agreed.</p>	
011/19	<p>2019/20 Budget & Precept</p> <p>It was noticed that Haversham's precept remains well below that of comparable other parishes. A 14% increase to fund the ongoing development of the Neighbourhood Plan was proposed by Councillor Burgess and seconded by councillor Furniss and approved unanimously. The specific allocation of budget funding will be reconsidered in February including the possible re-allocation of allotment rubbish clearance funds to training.</p>	
012/19	<p>Insurance Arrangements</p> <p>The Chair suggested that the Parish Council continue with the present Zurich policy in view of the new provider's requirement for inspection of the playground equipment. The clerk to clarify this with them.</p>	TW
013/19	<p>Hanson Site Dirt</p> <p>This issue appears to have been resolved.</p>	
014/19	<p>Reports from Representatives</p> <p>a) Haversham Social and Community Centre A meeting took place the previous week. The hall's usual annual safety check due in September did not happen. Social Centre is chasing this with the school head. The Christmas decorations making event only had 14 attendees. Cost of materials was a possible factor – will return to wreath making next year. The normal calendar of events is planned for 2019. £2000 expenses over income were recorded in 2018, largely due to the lack of an MKC grant and poor fete income. There has been no communication from MKC over the hall usage situation. It was agreed that it would be inappropriate for the parish council to attend a meeting without the social centre present.</p> <p>b) MK Waste Recovery Park A meeting took place earlier the same day. The Environment Agency attended and are monitoring sound, smell and chemical impacts. They intend to attend regularly in future. Councillor Furniss will investigate whether or not the EA data is available, which the parish council website could link to.</p> <p>c) Parishes Forum No update. It was agreed to add the Rural West NAG to this item on future agendas.</p>	PF
015/19	<p>Planning Matters</p>	

Payments agreed at meeting:

£126.59, cheque 1887 to HMRC, PAYE

£364.20, cheque 1888 to Thomas Walker, clerk wages

£28.00, cheque 1889 to Social and Community Centre, hall hire

£32.47, cheque 1890 to Thomas Walker, A3 paper and printer ink