LITTLE MUNDEN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 20th June 2024 IN LITTLE MUNDEN MEMORIAL HALL, DANE END

Present Councillors: Tracey Harding (TH); Paul Armstrong (PA); Billy Summerson (BS); Michelle Galvin (MG); Julie Hursey (JH); Jessica Harding (JH); Stephanie Armstrong (SA)
Member of the Public: 4

1. **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND SIGNING OF DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE: All agreed that TH should remain as Chairman and the document was duly signed.**

2. **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN AND SIGNING OF DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE: All agreed that PA should remain as Vice Chairman and the document was duly signed.**

3. **APPROVAL FOR APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE: None**

4. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**
   a) To receive declarations of interest from councillors on items on the agenda: None
   b) To receive written requests for dispensations for declarable interests – None
   c) To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate - None

5. **TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 23RD MAY 2024**
   Proposed by JH and seconded by MG

6. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
   From the floor a member of the public queried what the HM Car Park was being used for. TH said she was unable to comment other than to say it was for a production. TH explained that the proceeds would go towards the purchase of Horses' Meadow.

   From the floor a member of the public (VT) commented that she had been investigating the status of the play area in Whiteley Close. She believed that some people who had complained about football being played on the area had had it in writing that it was a play area. TH had spoken to the Council at one point and had received a call to confirm that it was a designated play area.. However now no one in the Council seems to know anything about it now. VT can provide a list of people who could help. KM suggested that there may be interest on the Estate to turn it into car parking. TH commented that the grass was still being cut by the Council. DB to investigate further with the District Council.

7. **PLANNING**:
   None

8. FINANCE

To receive an update on receipts and payments and authorise payments.

RECEIPTS

DATE	FROM	FOR	CH NO	£
16/06/24	Astco	Recyling Bin	BACS	24.00
18/05/24	Samantha Monk	D-Day Dance	BACS	20.00
20/05/24	Helen Carey	D-Day Dance x3	BACS	30.00
21/05/24	A Worthington	Allotments x 2	BACS	60.00
26/05/24	Just Giving Donations	HM Purchase	BACS	4787.44
26/05/24	Stripe Payment (less Fee)	D Day Dance x 1	BACS	9.48
27/05/24	Amy Barker	D Day Dance x 8	BACS	80.00
27/05/24	Thomson	HM Donation	BACS	100.00
27/05/24	Juliet Ford	Allotment payment	BACS	15.00
27/05/24	Jo Martyn	D Day Dance x 1	BACS	10.00
01/06/24	Deborah Ovens	D Day Dance x 4	BACS	40.00
02/06/24	E Creed	D Day Tickets x 2	BACs	20.00
04/06/24	Udku Kettas	D Day Tickets x 11	BACS	110.00
07/06/24	Diana Jennings	D Day Tickets x 5	BACS	50.00
08/06/24	Karen Maquire	D Day Tickets x 4	BACs	40.00
10/06/24	Stripe Payment (less fee)	D Day Tickets x 4	BACS	38.26
10/06/24	Stripe Payment (less fee)	D Day Tickets x 4	BACS	38.40
11/06/24	R Hicks Stall (error)	L M Fest (>School)	BACS	40.00
12/06/24	Donation	Purchase HM	BACS	1000.00
14/06/24	Stripe Payment (less fee)	D Day Dance x 2	BACS	19.10
		Total		**6569.19**

PAYMENTS

20/05/24	T HardingStripe	Ticketing Test	BACS	10.00
20/05/24	S Armstrong	Paint for LMPC Club House	BACS	71.00
21/05/24	Herts Display	May Newsletter	BACS	111.60
23/05/24	Herts Display	“Protected Valley” books x 50	BACS	295.00
03/06/24	Trundles Ltd	HM Lease Payment	BACS	0.50
03/06/24	G Ward	Clerks Fee June 24	BACS	298.00
06/06/24	G Ward	Reimburse Proscecco/ D Day	BACS	30.00
07/06/24	Simon Andrews	Umbrella Big Band/Balance	BACS	750.00
08/06/24	G Ward	Float for tickets sales D Day Dance	BACS	100.00
08/06/24	LMMH	Mtngs Jan-June	BACS	98.00
		Total		**1764.00**

Online balance on Current Account 15/06/24	17693.31
Balance Brought forward 16/05/24 `	12888.23
Less Payments	1764.10
Plus Receipts	6569.18
Balance as at 15/06/24	**17693.31**

I HEREBY AUTHORISE ALL PAYMENTS:…….

DATE:……` **TRACEY HARDING/CHAIR**

7. CORRESPONDENCE

To receive an update on correspondence received
24/5/24 Email from Sally Poole: Health and Safety Advice for Open Gardens Event
29/5/24 Herts County Council – Stakeholders Bulletin
14/6/24 Jonathan Church Regarding Car Parking Agreement
13/6/24 HAPTC Password Reset
13/6/24 Ant Collier re Cricket Club Opening 12.30-1.30 pm on 23rd June 24
11/6/24 Email from Carol Bartels re Open Gardens/Virtual Tour. JH to do early on the day.

10. TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN 2023/24
The forms were duly signed ready for the Internal Audit.

11. TO DISCUSS PROGRESS OF OPEN GARDENS EVENT/LAST MINUTE ACTIONS
The Clerk questioned whether the Church would pay for costs such as price of Programmes. It was confirmed that the Church would cover expenditure. The Clerk agreed to get a float for the day. TH to provide maps. Set up would be between 4pm-6pm on the Saturday.

12. DISCUSS ANY UPDATES ON THE PURCHASE OF THE FREEOLD OF HORSES' MEADOW

TH commented that a further donation of £3000 had been received today and that unfortunately as the Freeholder had died, things were taking longer. SA suggested celebratory drinks on the Meadow once the purchase was completed.

All agreed how lovely the International Tribute and lighting of the Beacon night had been and what an excellent turnout it had.

13. TO CONSIDER MATTERS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS AND TO DEAL WITH THOSE MATTERS IF APPROPRIATE

TH commented on how bad the grass cutting in the village was where large parts had been left and generally the verges were looking terrible. DB to find a contact to help with this. A lorry had also damaged a fence up by the playground. The van was still there and was definitely abandoned with no tax. The Council were reluctant to do anything about it.

From the floor KM complainted about the parking on public footpaths – largely by younger drivers. SA pointed out that some people had up to four cars to one household. MG commented that she had questioned this with the police who had responded that there was nothing that could be done about this as it was the way of the world now and there's nowhere else to park. TH suggested that the Village Hall Car Park could be used and had suggested

this in the past for residents to rent a car parking space on there. PA commented that the original plan of the village would have been for 1 or 2 cars and now there were up to 4 per household.

PA commented that the grass cutter needed the low canopy of trees cut back by the playground equipment.. TH agreed that the PC could do this.

The Clerk had also pointed out that the play equipment needed looking at as some was damaged.

14. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING: 9th July 2024 @ 8.00 PM

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