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**Attendees:** Cllr Anderson, Cllr Ellerton, Cllr Fenwick, Cllr Smedley (Chair), Cllr Watson, Clerk Tors Firth, and 4 members of the public

- **143. Apologies;** Cllr Oakland due to illness and Cllr de Niese due to a personal commitment. Buckinghamshire Councillors were absent.
- **144. Open Forum for Parishioners;** Residents raised concerns about speeding and obstructions on Green End. The Parish Council were asked if the speed indicator device could be moved or if the road could be made 'access only' to traffic. Cllr Oakland and Cllr de Niese will be meeting with Local Area Technician from the Highways Authority in January and will ask for advice.

The Parish Council were also told the footbridge on footpath GRA/6/2 has been mended.

- **145. Interests:** No declarations of interest were made.
- 146. Minutes;

**Resolved:** To accept the Minutes from the 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2022 as a true record.

#### 147. Finance;

- a. Resolved: To accept the accounts for November 2022.
- **b.** *Ratified:* Payments 57 to 63 inclusive were ratified, please see Appendix A.
- **c.** *Resolved:* A budget of £49,459.50 for 2023/24 was agreed, a precept of £23,630 is required. The figures will be circulated for a final check, to be agreed at the meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> January for submission before the 31<sup>st</sup> January deadline.

#### 148. Planning:

- **a.** *Confirmed:* A status update on current planning applications was obtained from the planning portal, please see Appendix B.
- **b.** *Resolved:* Further to advice received from the Planning Authority regarding application 22/02251/APP, the Parish Council agreed to raise an enforcement enquiry on two counts; firstly, whether the dwelling is being occupied in breach of the conditions and secondly whether the size of the dwelling accords with the agreed plans.
- **c.** *Resolved:* To comment in support of planning appeal 22/00163/NONDET. Cllr Smedley will write a response to be circulated prior to the next meeting.
- **d.** There were no planning updates from Buckinghamshire Councillors.
- 149. Buckinghamshire Council Updates; No members present
- 150. Buckinghamshire Council: Highways, Footpaths & Footways
  - a. No new issues were raised.
  - **b.** Updates on outstanding issues;

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- **c.** ROW issues; 220795649 remains outstanding, 220647011 is now resolved. Cllr Ellerton will raise the outstanding issue with the landowner.
- **d.** The village walk around was cancelled by the Local Area Technician; the Clerk will rearrange for the New Year.
- **e.** Drainage issues on Denham View; The delayed street sweeping has now taken place. There is a small pumping station at the bottom of Denham View, one of the pumps has failed, the statutory undertakers will replace it.

#### 151. Play Area;

**Resolved:** A thin lower branch on the field maple need removing. Cllr Ellerton will ask Robert Kemp to quote for removing it. Inspection Reports indicate that no further action is required at this time.

#### 152. Glebe Land Project;

- **a.** There are no new issues requiring attention. The pond liner will be fitted by Bruce Clark in the New Year. *Resolved:* Cllr Ellerton will obtain a noticeboard for £200+VAT and source a quote for concreting it into place. Content for the noticeboard will be agreed at the next meeting.
  - A working party event will be organised before Christmas to clear brambles and vines. Cllr Ellerton will ask Robert Kemp to quote for digging out the bramble roots in the new year. Cllr Ellerton has obtained free dog violet plants for the meadow.
- b. Confirmed: The pond liner grant from the WV Community Board has been received.

#### 153. Street Lighting and Parish Council Assets

- **a.** *Resolved:* The Council discussed a request for a new streetlight. This will be added to the topics to be covered during the village walkaround with the LAT.
- **b.** The defibrillator pads will need replacing in January.

**Resolved:** The Clerk will source new pads.

- **c.** Updates on outstanding issues;
  - i. Confirmed: Light No. 3 on Winslow Road is now working
  - ii. *Confirmed:* Bills have been received for November from SSE and Utility Aid is not being applied. Another query has been raised.

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iii. *Confirmed:* The MVAS contract has been renewed for 2023

#### **154.** Devolved Services; No issues were raised.

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#### 155. Website/Technology;

- **a.** The Clerk has purchased a dongle to enable Wi-Fi at meetings though it would not work with the Clerks personal sim. *Resolved:* A data only Sim will be purchased before the next meeting and Cllr Watson will get the dongle to work.
- **b.** Village hall mailbox/calendar requirement; there is no progress to report. This item will be removed from future meetings.
- **156.** Outside Bodies; The following meetings have been attended;

Milton Keynes Extension meeting – Attended by Cllr Fenwick NBPPC meeting – attended by Cllr Smedley

157. Plans, Structures and Consultations;

**Resolved:** To send a letter to our local MP requesting that he support the EDM for the government to revisit their response to the Standards in Public Life report.

- 158. Items for the Next Agenda; Precept Request, Village walk around.
- **159.** To confirm the date of the next meeting; 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

The meeting closed at 20:55

| Signed: | Date: |
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## Appendix A – Payments Ratified

| Ref | Amount    | Expenditure                           | VAT     |
|-----|-----------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| 57  | £470.00   | Roy Randles, Play Area Maintenance    | £0.00   |
| 58  | £953.23   | Hugh Ellerton - Pondkeeper Reimburse  | £158.87 |
| 59  | £597.60   | Aubergine Webhosting & Compliance     | £99.60  |
| 60  | £***.**   | Clerk Pay November                    | £0.00   |
| 61  | £***.**   | Clerk Expenses November (inc. Dongle) | £4.49   |
| 62  | £100.00   | Christmas Tree Donation to 101 club   | £0.00   |
| 63  | + £953.00 | Bucks Council Pond Liner Grant        | £0.00   |
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### **Appendix B - Planning Update**

| Application            | Where                        | Decision          |
|------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| 22/03030/APP           | The Old Byre, Green End      | Awaiting Decision |
| 22/01260/APP           | The Crown Public House       | Awaiting decision |
| 21/04067/APP           | The Grain Store Winslow Road | Awaiting decision |
| Inspectorate<br>Appeal | Green End Barn               | Appeal dismissed  |

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