



Hedgerley Parish Council

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 11th November 2019
8.15 pm in the Memorial Hall, Hedgerley

Chairman indicated emergency exits

Apologies for absence – Cllr. Marlene Lewis (SBDC) (ML)

Did not attend – Cllr Barbara Gibbs (BCC)

In attendance –

Cllr. Thomas Broom (Chairman)(TB), Cllr. Neil Coxhead (Vice Chairman), Cllr Derek Baker (DB),

Cllr. Maurice Ridgeley (MER), Cllr. Dirk Eachus (DE)

Community Submissions

Tom Webb wanted to thank Penny Harris and Amy Harris for decorating the village and for the poppies memorial. He also said how disappointed he was not to have seen any member of the Parish Council in attendance at the memorial service.

Tom Webb told the meeting that Norman Grundon had arranged for the Holt to be cleared and cut. Not only for the Remembrance Service but also for the memorial service for Audrey Bainbridge.

Richard Aldis, Farm Manager from Portman Burtley Estate has offered to cut back the hedge along the 'drag strip' (Hedgerley Lane).

HPC will have to get written approval from Highways for this to be done.

1. **To approve Minutes**
Minutes were approved as a true record, and signed.
2. **County Councillor** – did not attend
3. **District Councillor** –
ML not a lot happening, but there had been more fly tipping along Andrew Hill Lane.
4. **County Council matters**
Nothing to report at this time
5. **Clerks information items**
 - Defibrillator - the electrician will be starting work next week.
 - MVAS - NC said the device had been taken down. It had been in operation for three weeks. He had reviewed the data and it would appear that motorists were on average driving at just under 40 mph. MVAS to be resited at the Top Farm site. Clerk to contact Highways regarding the 30 mph repeater sign on Hedgerley Hill. It is obscured by vegetation plus to ask what conditions would be approved for a new siting of the MVAS, on existing signage there.
 - Scout Hut
Aylesbury Mains came again and after the repair at Cottage Park Road, they were still unable to locate from where the power cable came from. MER said he had been at the Scout Hut and managed to find a number for the company who originally installed the lamp. Clerk to contact.

- Christmas Lights
After a brief discussion, it was agreed that new lights be purchased. This time for multi-coloured bulbs. Councillors approved to spend £150 for approx. 500 bulbs. There will be availability for a cherry picker in order to remove the existing lights and install the new ones.

6. **Finance**

Finance report – report was noted, cheques signed.

7. **Planning –**

DB detailed the plans received since last meeting – Beaconsfield Services, x2 for 5 Jones Way, Woodcrest, Gregory Road and two tree applications – Blue Cottage, Village Lane and 1 May Villas

8. **Play area**

Martin Marfe from Sutcliffe Play met with the Clerk last week to sign the Project Document. The start date is 18th November, estimated completion date 22nd November.

9. **Property**

- Kiln Wood – work has commenced; the digger should be arriving next week.
- Kemsley Wood – holly. Waiting to hear re. deep mulching.
- Church Holt – Councillors agreed that Highways will no longer be involved for this work. Clerk to find drainage consultants with a view to suggesting ways of rectifying the problem.
- Skate Park – Clerk had been contacted again regarding a request for a skate park in the village. After a short discussion, Councillors agreed that this would not be a viable project, as disturbance for local residents would have to be considered and there could be no means of containing only Hedgerley skaters; could be from anywhere. Councillors pointed out that the locally available skate parks are only a short drive away.

10. **Slade Farm**

There had been another Liaison Meeting

Items noted were the state of the road; lorries driving in the centre of the road (due to overgrown hedges) Portman Burtley have now offered to cut the verges on condition that we get written approval from Highways (Clerk to contact); they have a wheel washer, but the concrete road has yet to be installed; they have a road sweeper to keep the road clean; Ingrebourne said they are happy to clean the gutters if we have Highways approval (Clerk to contact); should there be freezing weather conditions, the site would close; there will be sixty lorry movements per day (30 trucks both ways); to contact Tracy Trust regarding any events in the future for Ingrebourne; they are happy to deal with the litter along the road.

11. **Meetings**

To report on – Liaison meeting, as detailed above on item 10.

To attend – SBALC, 14.11.2019 TB and PH to attend.

12. **Date of next meeting**

Monday 9th December , Memorial Hall, 8.15 pm.

Meeting closed at 9.15pm