## **Harborough Magna Parish Council**

Parish Council Meeting 15 October 2018

## **Present**

Cllr Ian Bentlett (IB) Ch Cllr Paul Skidmore (PS) Cllr Elizabeth Biggs Poyner (EBP Cllr Toby France (TF)

Leona Bendall (Clerk)

Parishioners: Barry Biggs, Fenella France, Mary

Palmer

These are the draft minutes of the meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> October. They will be approved at the next meeting on 3 December. Unless there is a significant change – this draft will not be updated.

		Action
1.15.10.18	IB welcomed all to the parish council meeting but reminded all attendees of the need to ensure that any comments from both the public and councillors are made through the chair. Council meetings are run in accordance with sated requirements.	
2.15.10.18	Apologies for absence Cllr John Brady (JB) Cllr Adrian Warwick (WCC) Cllr Tony Gillias (RBC)	
3.15.10.18	Update from Borough and County Councillors	
	Nothing received.	
4.15.10.18	Suspension of standing orders to allow parishioners of Harborough Magna to address the meeting  Mrs M Palmer reported that the new owners of the Old Village Hall have volunteered to adopt the planter outside their property. This was welcomed by the meeting. IB agreed to visit them and thank them for their interest.	
5.15.10.18	Standing orders were resumed	
6.15.10.18	Declaration of Interest	
	None made.	
7.15.10.18	Approval of minutes	
	The minutes from 10 September 2018 meeting were approved.	

Matters arising from the minutes	
Starting of a 200 Club to fund village projects – Mrs F France who suggested this gave the meeting an update and it was agreed to add this to the agenda for the next meeting. Mrs France will continue to research with those that have experience elsewhere.	
New Village Issues	
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Dog Mess EBP asked the meeting to reconsider how to deal with dog faces left on feetpaths etc. It was agreed to mark	
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environmentally friendly and will be washed off by rain.	
Parish Plan/OSCR Project	
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RBC/WCC Fosse Community Forum and Walc update	
Nothing to report but next meeting is on 18 October 2018 IB asked if anyone wanted to attend this meeting as he will be going and emphasised we should try to ensure we always have attendance at all meetings.	
Planning applications and appeals	
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	Financial and Governance issues	
14.15.10.18	The clerk advised the meeting that the finances were on track and no immediate concerns.	
	b. The schedule of cheques approved since the last meeting included: £8 for Room Hire; £148 for WS Garden; £120 for timber posts and postcrete and £50 for print/stamps/reflectors etc	
	c. Street Lamp replacement . IB suggested that parish councillors and clerk meet to discuss all the options in changing street lamps –there are too many issues to be discussed at a Parish Meeting. This is the biggest expenditure the Council has ever incurred. After this the Council will come forward with a proposal and consult with residents on this. Clerk added that she has taken up TF proposals and has contract National Grid Community Fund to see if they would fund the project on environmental grounds.	
	Governance	
	d. The meeting confirmed that going forward the draft minutes would be published on the website, once councillors had had an opportunity to quickly review these.	
15.15.10.18	Correspondence	
13.13.10.10	The usual gritting schedule had been received from WCC – which is unchanged from last year.	
16.15.10.18	Other ongoing village matters	
	School Bus chaperones.  a. The view of parents who raised the matter is that the Parish council has done all it can and we will now leave this to parents. The Parish Council however will continue to monitor this and it will remain on the agenda for discussion as appropriate.	
	<ul> <li>b. Phone box – JB has undertaken the sandblasting and priming of the box, which is now ready for painting.         Once the painting begins the clerk will order replacement glass and window frames. Then the clerk will apply for a grant for a village defibrillator. Chair to work with Clerk to arrange for volunteers to complete the painting.     </li> </ul>	Clerk and Chair
	c. Magna Park – nothing new to report	
	d. <u>Lengthsman scheme</u> – agreed this is working well but as we've had a late cut from the Council, WS Gardens to be informed to end all operations for this year	Clerk
	e. Playpark monitoring and upgraded facilities - Nothing	

	new to report but IB will ask JB to reinstall the gate when JB returns from leave.  f. Speeding in the village – further information will be available after the next Fosse Community Forum But in the meantime Sgt Adman Ali has suggested that the PC share equipment with another local parish – there would be no cost to the council for this. IB to report back.	IB IB
17.15.10.18	<ul> <li>Items for next agenda</li> <li>Establishing Village 200 Club</li> <li>Replacement street lamps</li> <li>School chaperones</li> </ul>	All
	<ul> <li>Progress on phone box restoration</li> <li>Lengthsman scheme</li> <li>Magna Park redevelopment</li> <li>Playpark</li> <li>Speeding traffic</li> </ul>	
18.15.10.18	Dates of next meetings  Next meetings — 3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2018 and 14 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	All
	Meeting closed at 20.20	

Ian Bentlett	Date
Chair	