

# **Great Horwood Parish Council**

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Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Great Horwood.

Present:

Cllr John Gilbey (JWG) Chairman, Cllr Caroline Cousin (CC) Vice Chairman, Cllr Angela Mayne (AM), Cllr David Taylor (DT), Sue Brazier (SB Clerk), County Councillor J Chilver and seven members of the public.

1.	To receive apologies for absence  ■ Cllr Day, Cllr Goss and District Councillor Sir Beville Stanier. Sir Beville had written to the Clerk stating that 'it had been a privilege to serve as your District Councillor for 21 years. I hope to return as part of a team of 3 serving the new Winslow division (Including Great Horwood) in the new Buckinghamshire Council.
2.	To receive declarations of interest  ● None
3.	Confirmation of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2019  • The Minutes of the previous meeting were amended as follows: item 12 at the top of page 937 – 'the Parish Council should revisit the question of the future of the Neighbourhood Plan at its February meeting.' The month of February should be changed to September. The Minutes were then approved.
4.	To consider matters arising from the Minutes of the last meeting (not otherwise included in the agenda)  • The Clerk had emailed Mr Brigden, Administrator of the Great Horwood and Singleborough Recreation Trust, requesting that he amend the Trustees as per the decision at the previous PC meeting. Cllr Taylor has already had a meeting and another is scheduled for May.
5.	<ul> <li>Public Participation Period</li> <li>Mr Wood mentioned that an overgrown conifer hedge needed trimming near the Four Seasons bungalow in Nash Road. The Clerk will write to the residents informing them that it is their responsibility to maintain their boundary. (Action Clerk)</li> <li>Mr Davies reported that the boundary fence between St James' Burial Ground and the Church Lane Allotments had blown over in the recent storms. The Clerk said she was aware of this and confirmed that the Church would be repairing or replacing it once the weather improves.</li> <li>Mr Trigg wished to discuss the revised Allotment Agreement, in particular Clauses 6d and 6h. The Council provided clarification after which the resident was happy to sign the Allotment Agreement.</li> </ul>
	• Mr Trigg mentioned the ongoing state of Pilch Lane. County Councillor Mr Chilver explained that the entire stretch of road between Pilch Farm and A421 would be completely resurfaced and any other bad parts would be repaired. Matt Whincup, Area Technician is looking after this. Mr Chilver will chase this up on our behalf.
6.	Horwode Pece Management Committee Report.  • The Report from the Horwode Pece Management Committee is attached to and forms part of these minutes. The Clerk mentioned that the Management Committee had in fact ordered the replacement toddlers swings and she was expecting to receive the invoice shortly.
7.	Footpaths Report  a). To receive the Footpath Report  Mr Deuchar reported that the metal footpath gate had not been installed on FP5 (Singleborough to Pilch Lane heading west in the direction of Buckingham), no doubt due to the continuing wet weather and muddy field conditions. Apart from mud, he is not aware of any other problems with the Parish's footpaths and one bridleway.
8.	Roads Report  a). To receive a report on local roads and any problems with signage.  See Item 5 regarding works to Pilch Lane. The School sign near the top of School End is leaning again. The Clerk will report this on FixMyStreet. (Action Clerk)  b). To include a report on MVAS.  Mr Woods advised that there was nothing to report.  On another matter, Cllr Gilbey noticed that there was a counting strip on the road near The Swan pub.
9.	Planning Report  ■ The planning report was noted and ratified.
10.	Issues arising from the Planning Report  • Clir Cousin noted that a letter had been posted on the AVDC website from the former tenant of The Crown saying that The Crown is too small to be a viable business and could not compete with the larger Swan Inn.
11.	Other Planning Matters  Clir Gilbey informed the Council that he had spoken to Anish Mistry about the requirement of a sandpit as part of the toddler play area on the High Street Homes development. Since the PC strongly oppose this idea, Anish suggested that the Council accept the current plans and then subsequently amond them by agreement and pognition. It was also noted that the whole play area will now include a feetball.

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	area for junior children.						
12.	To receive a report from any meetings attended						
	MK Strategy for 2050 held on Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March. See item 15.						
13.	Parish Maintenance						
	a). To report progress with fence repairs at Willow Road Allotments						
	Cllr Gilbey and Cllr Cousin had met Landatree Ltd regarding fence repairs to						
	accept their quote of £662.86 net but wait two weeks just in case other quote	s are forthcoming. (Action Clerk)					
	b). To report progress with trimming of ash trees at Church Lane Allotments	and the stant of the seating against the colonic					
	The Clerk had contacted Cartwright Landscapes but they were too busy before would ask them to provide a quote for works to be carried out in August, whe						
	Cricket Club works. (Action Clerk)	if they would be back in the village for the flext phase of the					
	c). To provide progress with trimming of tree in Nash Road.						
	The works had not been carried out as it was the start of the nesting season.	Cllr Taylor agreed to take a look at the low hanging branch as					
	it was in danger of becoming a nuisance to car owners that park in the Nash						
14.	Nash Road speed limit	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,					
	The Council expressed their disappointment at the negative response from D	avid Marsh at Bucks Highways concerning changing the					
	current speed limit from 40mph to 30mph. Cllr Cousin offered to draft the Cou	uncil's response to the Head of Bucks Highways Christine Urry.					
	(Action Cllr Cousin)						
15.	Response to MK Strategy for 2050						
	Cllr Cousin gave a brief overview of the meeting held in the St Lawrence Roc						
	Milton Keynes needing 216,000 homes. Since there was not enough space						
	an area being proposed for housing development, with 7500 new homes, an on behalf of the PC. (Action Cllr Cousin)	increase of 200%. Our Cousin offered to write a draft response					
16.	LED Lighting						
10.	The Clerk advised that she is waiting for a reply from Tim Humphries at Eon	who is looking into the cost of the ungrades per bulb and					
	exactly what the saving would be based on what is currently in place. The Cl						
17.	Discuss format and content of the Annual Parish Meeting	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,					
	Cllr Gilbey suggested the following as possible ideas:						
	1). Invite all village organisations to attend. (Action Clerk, liase with Cllr Gi	bey)					
	2). Chairman's Report						
	3). The new Buckinghamshire Council						
	4). Refurbishment of the Village Hall internally. Questionnaires to be made a						
	asked Cllr Mayne if Mr Mayne would be willing to bring along his draft drawings. 4). If there was going to be an Election, it would be an ideal opportunity to introduce the Election candidates.						
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	Cllr Mayne offered the Wi's services for refreshments.						
18.	Arrangements for the Elections on 7th May						
	The Clerk should receive Election packs with Nomination papers. She will se	end round to Councillors and any new candidates once					
	received. The deadline for papers to be submitted is 8th April. The Clerk will						
	time to allow for any problems. (Action Clerk)						
19.	VE Day 75th Anniversary						
	Unfortunately, the Silver Band were already booked to play at another event.						
	see if they were free. Mrs G Wood offered to look through some old Great H						
00	source of knowledge and would be a good starting point for information and i	deas. (Action Clerk)					
20.	Litter Pick It was agreed to hold the Litter Pick on Sunday 26th April. The clerk will put a	n article in Facus and contact Mandy Cliffe for the litter nickers					
	and any other equipment she may still have. (Action Clerk)	if afficie in Focus and contact Maridy Cline for the litter pickers					
21.	To receive and note correspondence						
	New Buckinghamshire Council poster						
	Coronavirus poster						
	The Clerk will put both posters on the noticeboard.						
22	Finance						
	a). To review the bank reconciliation, note invoices which have been paid and	d to note funds received.					
	D 4.74 D	Payment -					
	Payments TA Payee	Type £					
	Balance B/F 10th February 2020						
	GH 19.103 Clerk's Salary March	SO 558.57					
	GH 19.104 Cartwright Landscapes - Cricket Club works	FPO 900.00					
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GH 19.105	Richmond Electrical Services - Village Hall works	FPO	406.00
GH 19.106	Aylesbury Vale Citizens Advice - donation	FPO	100.00
GH 19.107	Talk Talk	DD	24.95
GH 19.108	Public Works Loan Board	DD	485.77
GH 19.109	Barclaycard - ink cartridges	DD	27.14
Receipts TA GHR 19.31 GHR 19.32	AVDC Ref EFT028485 Cricket Club - rent		414.00 125.00
Business Insta	nt Access B/F		
Receipts BIA	February interest BIA		25.44

The Council duly authorized the following payment:

#### Payments requiring authorising

Parking ticket for training course

£8.00

#### b). Approval of regular payments 2020/21

The Clerk had prepared a list of regular payments which was approved:

Clerk's salary

Eon street lighting power

Eon street lighting maintenance

Talk Talk wifi in Village Hall

Barclaycard

123 reg mail and domain charges

Public Works Loan Board

Information Commissioner's Office

#### c). Metro Bank account

The Clerk had visited Metro Bank and they will now accept the Standing Order from the Cricket Club for £125,00 paid quarterly. The Clerk will visit Metro Bank again to ask them to change the administrator to herself and find out how the Council will gain access to the funds.

#### (Action Clerk)

### d). Draft Financial regulations amendment

Cllr Cousin had amended Regulation 5 to include the current procedure for payment of invoices. The Council approved the change and the Clerk will put on the PC website.

#### (Action Clerk)

#### e). Draft Financial Reserves Policy

Cllr Cousin presented a draft of a new Reserves Policy that establishes the procedures for setting and managing the reserves. The Council approved the Reserves Policy. The Clerk will put on the PC website. (Action Clerk)

#### f). Internal Auditor

The Clerk is meeting Mrs Cliffe this week to gather papers relating to past PC Audits and talk about the procedure. She will then make contact with the Auditor in order to arrange a meeting with her and Cllr Cousin. (Action Clerk)

#### 23. Items for the next meeting

Discuss renovating the Parish pump on Nash Road, Review and approve all fees, Emergency Plan, Nash Road speed limit

#### 22. Confirmation of the date and time of the next meeting

Monday 6th April 2020 at 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 8.50pm

Signed	Date 6th April 2020
Chairman	

# Horwode Pece Management Committee - Report to Parish Council March 2020

Over these winter months, it has been too wet to do any major maintenance work down the Rec.

Weekly inspections have continued and given the rain, the Rec. is broadly in good order; boggy in places but no large standing puddles or flooded areas as has been observed in previous years at this time of the year. Clearly, the additional soil and landscaping that was undertaken last summer has raised the ground level and helped drainage around the Rec. equipment.

As reported last month, of concern is the state of the toddler swings. We have contacted Kompan over replacements and a quotation for a new pair of cradle swings has been forwarded to the Parish Council; this was approved, following contact with the Clerk, and I have ordered the replacements from Kompan at a cost of £245 + VAT. I have asked whether we can collect these items – as Kompan is in Milton Keynes – this would save £25 in shipping costs.

Other comments on the inspection reports note:

The woodchip is low in both the toddler and teenage areas --- still above the safe minimum depth, with the aim of replacing the woodchip with rubber chippings this season.

Log uprights missing to the tunnel --- new, tannin proofed wood has been purchased to replace these tunnel surrounds; the weather has stopped them being installed, planned for the Spring working party.

Elsewhere, various caps covering bolt heads are missing. Replacements have been purchased. Again, these less critical jobs will be undertaken at the Spring working party.

The Spring working party is planned for the weekend 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> April, weather permitting.

The major project this year for the management committee is to replace the woodchip in both the toddler and teenage play areas with rubber chippings. Quotations for this work are being obtained.

John Nicholls - Chairman 6/03/2020

### Planning Committee Report - for meeting on 9th March 2020 (as at 6th March 2020)

Below are current and recent Planning Applications. The Parish Council is invited to ratify the comments made to AVDC on behalf of the Planning Committee since the last meeting.

#### **CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Date Received	Application Number	Applicant	Site Address	Details of Application	Parish Council Response	AVDC Decision
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Determined			-			
04/10/2019 (Updated application dated 11/12/2019	19/03590/APP Alice Culver 01/11/2019	Ms T McIntosh	The Retreat, Bletchley Road, Great Horwood MK17 0PX	Change of use to B8 open storage of up to 100 caravans and camper vans (retrospective)	No objection	Approved 05/03/2020
Pending	•	l.			1	l.
03/05/2018	18/01455/APP Colm McKee 31/05/2018	Mr T Reilly & Ruston Planning Ltd	Nash Park Nash Road Great Horwood Buckinghamshire	Change of use of land to 13 Gypsy / Traveller pitches with associated works including, 13 no. mobile homes, 13 no. touring caravans, 13 no. day rooms, and 13 no. cesspits	Objection Appeal lodged 19/00061/NON DET	Awaiting decision
08/10/2018	18/03422/AOP Nicola Wheatcroft	Gladman Develop- ments	Land Off Great Horwood Rd Winslow Buckinghamshire	Outline planning application for the erection of up to 235 (215) dwellings with public open space, landscaping and sustainable drainage system (SuDS) and vehicular access points from Great Horwood Road. All matters reserved except for means of access	Not statutory consultees but objected	Awaiting decision
<b>21/01/2019</b> revised	19/00210/APP 19/00211/ALB Rebecca Jarratt 28 May 2019	Mr G Grant	The Crown PH 1 The Green Great Horwood Bucks MK17 0RH	Change of use of Public House and ancillary buildings to 1 x 4 bed and 1 x 2 bed dwelling	Objection to latest application	Awaiting decision
04/07/2019	<b>19/02438/APP</b> Not advised 01/08/2019	Mr C Mongan Green Planning Studio Limited	1 Nash Park Nash Road Great Horwood Buckinghamshire	Variation of condition 2 on application 15/02233/APP dated 11 August 2016 to increase the number of pitches of the site from 11 to 12. "There shall be no more than 12 pitches on the site and on each of the 12 pitches hereby approved except Pitch 10, no more than 2 caravans, as defined in the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act 1960 and the Caravan Sites Act 1968, shall be stationed at any time, of which only 1 caravan shall be a static caravan. On Pitch 10 no more than 4 caravans shall be stationed at any time, of which no more than 2 shall be static caravans".	Objection	Awaiting decision
23/07/2019 (updated Application dated 18/12/2019)	<b>19/02372/ALB</b> Alice Culver 19/08/2019	Mr S Terkelsen	Tudor Cottage 12 Little Horwood Road Great Horwood Buckinghamshire MK17 0QE	Addition of a bedroom and bathroom above the garage/workshop/utility room (retrospective)	Objection	Awaiting decision
09/10/2019	<b>19/03614/ADP</b> Hollie Renney 06/11/2019	High Street Homes Ltd	Land North of Little Horwood Road, Great Horwood	Approval of reserved matters pursuant of outline permission 16/01664/AOP for access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale of a residential development of 15 dwellings	Support Application	Awaiting decision
17/10/2019 (updated Application dated 14/02/2020)	<b>19/03739/APP</b> Hollie Renney 15/11/2019	Mr & Mrs D Grainge	Land at Eastfield Farm, Little Horwood Road, Great Horwood MK17 0NZ	Installation of a temporary mobile home and hardstanding for 4 car park spaces	Support Application	Awaiting decision
21/10/2019 (updated Application dated 10/12/2019) (updated Application dated 14/02/2020 and 18/02/2020)	19/03740/APP Hollie Renney 18/11/2019	Mr & Mrs D Grainge	Land at Eastfield Farm, Little Horwood Road, Great Horwood MK170NZ	Erection of an agricultural building measuring 628m2 to house cattle and store feed and install an underground effluent tank, 2733m2 concrete and hardstanding to use to operate the buildings on the holding and store straw and silage bales.	Support Application	Awaiting decision
07/11/2019 (updated Application dated 18/12/2019)	<b>19/03990/APP</b> Alice Culver 05/12/2019	Mr R Margerrison	PCC of St James' Church, 5 Wigwell Gardens, Great Horwood MK17 0QX	Replacement of lead roof material to zinc to the Nave and South and North porch roofs	GHPC supports the application but note with regret that the proposals include the replacement of	Awaiting decision

					the lead roof on the South Porch which dates back to the George Gilbert Scott restoration in 1872-1874	
20/11/2019	<b>19/04060/APP</b> David Wood 18/12/2019	Mr B Reddrop	Sunnyhill Farm, Little Horwood Road, Great Horwood MK17 0NZ	Temporary stationing of storage container, site welfare static home and accommoda- tion home, associated with the permission 19/00780/COUSR	No objection	Awaiting decision
09/01/2020	19/04272/APP Scott Hackner	Ms J Smith, Smith Jenkins Ltd (Agent)	Land between Nash Road and Cross Roads Kennels, Nash Road, Great Horwood	Demolition of existing barns and replace- ment with office buildings and storage (B1/B8 use) with associated parking and landscaping	No objection	Awaiting decision
29/01/2020	<b>20/00286/APP</b> Adam Thomas 26/02/2020	Mrs P Hamlen	17 The Green, Great Horwood MK17 0RH	Taking down and re-building of existing street boundary wall between 17 The Green and The Chapel House	Support Application	Awaiting decision
29/01/2020	20/00287/ALB Adam Thomas 26/02/2020	Mrs P Hamlen	17 The Green, Great Horwood MK17 0RH	Demolish and rebuild boundary wall	Support Application	Awaiting decision
05/02/2020	<b>20/00409/APP</b> 05/03/2020	Ms M McCarthy	Land off Little Horwood Road, Nash MK17 0EJ	Variation of condition 2 – change condition to permanent planning permission/consent relating to application 14/00107/APP (allowed on appeal)	Objection	Awaiting decision
19/02/2020	<b>20/00601/ACL</b> Megan Wright 18/03/2020	Mr & Mrs Lewis-Evans	Barns adjacent to Cakeford, Little Horwood Road, Great Horwood MK17 0NZ	Application for a lawful development certifi- cate for an existing use of B1 light industrial – Barns A and B having been used as a mechanical/engineers workshop for vehicle repairs uninterrupted since Dec 2006	No objection	Awaiting decision
20/02/2020	<b>20/00600/APP</b> David Wood 19/03/2020	Mr T Harris (Agent)	Land to the South of Great Horwood Road, Winslow	Erection of an alternative temporary construction access road to construct works in association with East West Rail Phase 2		

Key –

Colours
Pink = applications received in 2018
Green = applications received in 2019
Orange = applications received in 2020

Names are those of the AVDC application case officer

Dates are when the application was received (column 1) and by when comments must be made (column 2).