

Present:

Cllr Frank Mahon (in the Chair), Cllr Stephen Le Tissier, Cllr Ivo Haest, Cllr John Mitchell, Cllr Jason Davies

In attendance: Clerk, Cllr's and **06** members of the public.

Livestreaming YouTube channel was off. Dictaphone on for Clerks record.

The meeting was opened by Cllr Mahon at 19.33

The Steeple Claydon Parish Council meeting was held in person at the Village Hall on Tuesday 05 September admission from 7.15pm onwards for a 7.30pm start.

Members of the public are welcome to come along to see what the council is doing. There is a public participation session at the start of the meeting when the public are able to comment on the agenda items or ask the council questions about their activities. The agenda is published on the website and on the VH noticeboard on the Thursday before the meeting.

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QUESTIONS FOR PARISH COUNCIL

All questions from parishioners will need to be submitted to the Clerk before the meeting - cut off midday of the day of the meeting, details below.

If you need any help or information from your PC, please contact the Proper Officer and Clerk to the Council; Ms Hannah Holmes

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1.Welcome by Chairman

Cllr Mahon read aloud the following BMKALC GOOD PRACTICE NOTE

Council Meetings are formal meetings held in public but are not public meetings. Members of the public are welcome to join us but may only participate during Public Participation time. There is an overall time limit of 15 minutes for this segment. Multiple speakers for the same item may wish to select a single speaker or to edit their own contribution to ensure the maximum number of speakers can be accommodated. No single speaker may speak longer than 2 minutes. Points raised, but not on this evening's agenda, will not be addressed at this meeting but will be answered during the next working day or added to a future agenda as appropriate. Please be aware that this meeting may be recorded by any attendee exercising their legal right to do so. Please ensure that phones are set to silent during the meeting

1. Apologies

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Apologies received from Cllr Proffitt, all cllrs present were happy to accept the apology	
2. Declarations of Interest	
To receive declarations of interest and dispensations in respect of matters contained in this agenda	
None 2 Minutes	
3. Minutes	
To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 04 July 2023	
Matters arising from the minutes – None	
Cllr Davies proposed the July 23 draft minutes as a true and accurate description of the meeting	
seconded by Cllr Mitchell whole council agreed.	
4. Chairman's Comments	
To receive a report on matters not on the agenda but of interest to the Council and Parish	
Cllr Mahon updated the meeting about EWR and BC regarding them reinstating things back to before	
the HS2/EWR development happened in particular, the Spinney at QCRd/Buck rd. – three years ago – it	
was made a one-way system and the spinney was made a bit smaller. Officers visited Cllr Mahon today	
with regards to road safety, it is very wide for pedestrians to cross, Cllr Mahon wants to get views of the	
local residents, spoken to about 50 residents inc. Langston and Tasker. Unanimous comments were - to leave it as it is. Please ask around and feedback by email to ClIr Mahon by Sunday morning (10/09)	
Cllr Haest noted the width of road at Spinney would not change either way – maybe BC could provide a	
pedestrian crossing. Cllr Mahon will pass this comment on to BC officers.	
RAAC concrete was discussed – locally, Waddesdon secondary is having repairs/ structural report done –	
13 further schools in Bucks are being looked at/investigated.	
5. Public Participation – Standing Orders are set aside to allow for public participation	
The meeting was closed by the Chair and public participation was opened at 19.46	
P1 – Has been using the diversionary route used regarding Herds Hill – felt it was an	
unacceptable route / dangerous. Multiple problems on this route - Can this be fed back to HS2/BC?	
Cllr Mahon replied that Cllr Macpherson and L&T have all raised the same issue.	
Has fought for months to get the repairs done to the road, however, wants a decent route to detour on.	
P1 -Traffic lights on white bridge being removed soon?	
Cllr Mahon believes they are going in next five weeks – The spinney / the road repairs / but	
mindful that it is often cancelled at last minute.	
P1 – also noted that the EWR notifications via paper updates often late and you cannot read	
	Cllr Mahon
Cllr Mahon agreed to raise this with them. Cllr Le Tissier suggested P1 also contact EWR by	CIII IVIAIIOII
email to raise this.	
P2 – Here regarding the trees at children's corner – to discuss the trees crowning and felling.	
The three trees will be looked at - by the Council at the rec ground meeting tomorrow.	
If tree's do have to be removed, Council will buy new trees for the rec.	
Clerk has spoken to her neighbour and updated the meeting on the Tree Surgeon's negative	
tree surgeon report had been done and was being done in the timeframe given.	
Clerk noted the trees requested had passed the tree survey, but the neighbours have requested	
	Clerk
Council noted that the overhanging branches can in fact be removed by the landowner and	O.C. K
offered back to the Council to dispose of them. Council agreed to the additional work in the	
spirit of being good neighbours. No tree-work will be done during nesting season.	
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	Cllr Mahon / Cllr Haest
6. Councillor casual vacancy to replace Cllr Cherry, BC notified.	
Co-option Policy and new application form for Council's consideration to adopt. Email sent in advance and hard copy given out at meeting. Includes our SO details.	All Clir's
Cllrs to reply to Clerk with any comments by next Tuesday (one week from now)	
7. Clerk report – hard copy passed out to Cllr's	
Clerk highlighted;	
Lots of meetings attended. Lots of projects moving forwards. Booked onto Communities Enrichment and Resilience, on 17 Oct 23 Appendix 1.	
8. Action Point List – to go through and update completed actions for the last month.	
Cllr Le Tissier went through the PC to do list.	Clerk
Buddy bench – clerk to chase insurers and move forwards.	
White gate by church EWR – Cllr Mahon to chase it being replaced.	Cllr Mahon
White gate/hedgerows/children's play area – Tilia – Cllr Le Tissier and Cllr Mahon have spoken	
to Tilia.	
9. Neighbourhood Watch – Steeple Claydon NHW review – Andy Guest	
Cllr Le Tissier has an update from SC NHW – issues over summer holiday period, vandalised properties,	
names have been passed to the Police, group antisocial activities of youths causing disruption, especially	
late at night, details again passed to the Police.	
AG was also confronted by a large group of youths; matter being dealt with by the Police.	
As schools are back we now hope to see a decline in this type of behaviour.	
No increased Police presence despite assurances.	
Tried for months to get community support team – they are currently at BCounty Shows.	
Cllr Mahon to follow up – write to Matt Barbour	Cllr Mahon
Co-Op – noted it has another new manager.	
10. SCFC – invited to attend meeting by Cllr Davies	
SCPC Not present.	
Cllr Mahon is disappointed that the new chairman didn't attend.	Cllr Davies
Cllr Davies to pass SCFC contact details to the clerk to ring on Wednesday regarding bookings and costs.	
11. Village Plan Review – Cllr Haest / Cllr Le Tissier / Cllr Mahon	
Ex Cllr Paul Firth had led on the initial village plan started 7 years ago, which requires review before 2027, review might take 6 months.	

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Cllr Haest discussed the village plan and its reasons – a call for suitable sites – not developable land.

Pheonix pub – now gone, Post Office – now gone – Cllr Mahon noted a temporary PO currently in POW pub 12-3pm every Thursday. Application in process for PO.

Pheonix was offered to PC before delicensing – no bids / no interest – so it was struck off as a community asset.

Review costs? Consultant costs?

Mr. Firth discussed that the BC plan is years away, not 2027 – we want to make sure the plan is still valid, 5-year shelf life, it's now 6 years old – is this still valid information?

Developers are reviewing housing sites constantly – do we have the defense of the neighbourhood plan and is that absolute, – our plan needs to be stronger to defend against further development.

Cllr Le Tissier noted the Village Neighbourhood Plan was still valid – BC who have taken over from AVDC who confirmed it was and it was confirmed and accepted by the new Unitary council

Should be refreshed and re-looked at as good practice.

Cllr's Haest / Cllr Le Tissier / Mr. Firth will take this review forwards and report back to Council.

Cllr Mahon discussed the 500 acres solar/battery farm in Granborough – the old dairy farm as a solar power farm – possibly up to 1,000 acres could be taken for Solar Farms. He noted that this year alone x 81 PA's for Solar farms went to appeal and 99% were approved on appeal. These are not mentioned in our current Neighbourhood Plan. Can this issue be addressed?

PC to ask the village if anyone else wants to be involved and what skillset they would add to it?

Review / comments welcome – to ask – Mr. M / Mr. G / T from NER / Mr. Firth to invite them to a review meeting.

12. Road Safety Strategy

a. Update from working group – Cllr Haest/ Cllr Mahon

Cllr Haest held a second meeting in August for parishioners – planning a third meeting.

Four parishioners attended. Brainstorm and discussed what has happened and potential proposals / prioritise the plans

b. MVAS locations update – Clerk/Cllr Haest

Two more signs ordered. Now agreed and confirmed that BC will install them. Four sockets across the village to rotate the signs – LAT meeting to be arranged by Clerk.

- c. Terms of Reference
- move to October mtg as not discussed with working group

13.Cllrs to review working group allocations - minimum of quorum of Cllr's in each working group. Document updated in the meeting – to be sent to Cllrs for confirmation

14. Working Groups Update on activities and recommendations:

A. Finance

Appendix 2

a. To approve the payments listed in the finance run for the month

Proposed by Cllr Le Tissier seconded by Cllr Davies

- b. Cllr's x2 to sign Barclays mandate for signatory powers SP and done
- c. To discuss opening an account with Unity Bank RFO / Cllr Mitchell

Cllr Mitchell and RFO investigated Unity as being a bank that is PC aware, and £85K coverage, retain

Cllr Le Tissier/ Cllr Haest / Mr Firth

Barclays account, but new main account to be used. RFO to continue to move forwards with this as	Clerk
approved by Cllr's.	
d. To approve Clerk doing FILCA course via SLCC – RFO	
Council approved, RFO to sign up to Financial Introduction to Local Council Administration £120 + VAT	Clerk
e. MK Court Case update LED house – Cllr Le Tissier	
Cllr Le Tissier reported regarding the LED house court case at 3pm last Friday, an employee from LED	
was sent, the judge found in our Favour.	Cllr Le
Bailiff proceedings for over £3K - Cllr Le Tissier and Clerk to action	Tissier /
B. Recreation Ground	Clerk
a. Report from Recreation Ground team	
Cllr Mahon discussed the MUGA lighting, as previously agreed for the old tennis courts	
b. MUGA Lights PIP – Cllr Le Tissier / Cllr Mahon	
Cllr Le Tissier has submitted application of lawfulness for lighting – Council agreed it is to be paid	
immediately.	
c. Outdoor exercise equipment update for village consultation – Clerk/Cllr Le Tissier	
Ready to go, just waiting to hear back from BC re approval for S106 funding. Clerk has notified chosen	
company we are awaiting approval. Proforma invoice to JH at BC.	
e. Tree survey update – Clerk	
Cllrs meeting on Wednesday to discuss the trees	
f. Retention fee for MUGA – Cllr Mitchell/Clerk -	
Has been received	
g. EICR for pavilion - gone ahead.	
h. Tractors quotes x3 – Cllr Mahon to chase third quote i. Bye Laws to be investigated – bicycles	
Clerk to investigate with BALC	Cllr Mahon
Clirs agreed to relax Byelaw's for CCC events as RA's and PLI received.	
	Clerk
C. Village Hall, Library & Cottage	
a. Report from Village Hall team	
b. Toddler Group request for Council support: suggestion Toddler Group foC – review in 6 months.	
Action for Children used to cover hall costs – but this has now changed. SCTG money has been depleted.	
Proposal for 6 months free of charge use - Cllr Le Tissier proposed, seconder Cllr Davies, all Cllrs present	
agreed Clis La Tissian asked if they need enything also. SEN shildren requirements developing a list. SCTC to	
Cllr Le Tissier asked if they need anything else – SEN children requirements developing a list – SCTG to please let Cllr Le Tissier / SCPC know – Cllr Mahon can advise re BCC	
c. AED update precept for 2024 to purchase new AED kit as recommended by wel medical. £830+VAT	
Agreed to precept for new AED Agreed to precept for new AED	Clark
a. Any Library business:	Clerk
We have been donated x3 sketches – from local artist done in 1900, now on display in the Library.	
b. Bell bar photographs – Clerk – Clirs to discuss with photos / trophies –	Claul.
Clerk to chase Royal Portrait information from BALC.	Clerk
c. Hall tables and chairs – Cllr Le Tissier	
It has been brought to his attention by parishioners, the current state of village hall tables and chairs –	
Clerk will add to the precept wish list. Cllr Mahon to get some ideas/suggestions. It was noted that	Clir Mahan
Edgcott have beautiful chairs.	Cllr Mahon
D. Vicarage Orchard	
a. Any updates - Cllr Davies	
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b. Bench plaques – any update – Cllr Davies	

hole update – Cllr Le Tissier/ Cllr Mahon

Minutes of SEPTEMBER 2023 c. Nature CCTV – any update – Cllr Davies CCTV cameras work well – but very overgrown at the moment. d. Metalled signs to show different vegetation/trees/ hedgehog area in VO Clerk, Cllr Davies and Cllr Proffitt and the school eco club to move this forward. e. Tree survey results – 21/07 mtg update Clerk and Cllr Davies to meet and discuss VO issues. f. Bucks Community Board – pathway – Clerk/Cllr Mahon/Cllr Haest Accessible horseshoe shape in and out of VO – Council happy for three quotes to be got by clerk – one already in E. Communications a. Any updates b. Village Emergency Document next mtg date to be agreed – DH / Clerk / Cllr Haest / Cllr Proffitt Clerk F. Street Furniture Messaged a. Noticeboards x4 update – Cllr Mitchell DH 06/09/23 b. Benches update – Cllr Mitchell c. Bench on Chaloner's Hill - Cllr Proffitt d. LED street lighting update – Cllr Mitchell – third quote will be circulated to council – HS2 mitigation fund will be applied to. e. White name-gates into SC – consider additional safety wording on nameplates? Clerk – Add to OCT. LAT off sick currently – Clerk to chase Clerk f. School signage LAT update – Clerk Clerk to chase Clerk G. Events a. Upcoming events i. Fireworks date – Saturday 04 November 2023 – Cllr Le Tissier - any updates Next mtg next Tuesday – 7.30pm Need more stewards. Facebook post to be done. In newsletter article. Clerk to call DH re BBORG doing car parking/NER. H. HS2 / E-W Rail Clerk a. Any Updates - Cllr Mahon Messaged Cllr Mahon discussed lots of road closures currently as HS2 work almost at its peak – Calvert bridge / DH 06/09/23 Addison road – becoming a 'rat run' is the concern – we could then apply for a temporary 30mph along Addison road. Passing bays will be removed / reinstated verge I. Planning: 23/02182/ALB - Pond Farmhouse Calvert Road Steeple Claydon Buckinghamshire MK18 2HD Listed building application for replacement of 11 windows,1 lintel, and 2 doors : DATE COMMENTS REQUESTED BY:- 18 August 2023 – extension requested 24/07/23 granted until Clerk -No objection – as long as they are following the instructions from the heritage officer. Done Proposed by Cllr Haest seconded by Cllr Mahon, all Cllr's present agreed 06/09/23 23/00264/APP - 16 Brackley Lane Calvert Charndon Buckinghamshire MK18 2HF Change of use of garage to dog groomers business including associated alterations to windows and doors CASE OFFICER: Anna Shah DATE COMMENTS REQUESTED BY:- 12 September 2023 Clerk Done Support Proposed by Cllr Mahon seconded by Cllr Davies, all Cllr's present agreed 06/09/23 **b. Tilia** – non-reinstatement of hedgerow for 3+ years - new playground opening update and drainage

Cllr Mahon and Cllr Le Tissier have Spoken to senior manager at Tilia – Mark Wakeling - playpark to open

mid-Sept – quality control issue with the grass, has now been sorted. Hedgerows agreed to be re-

instated. No contact details for the management company yet.	
15. Youth Council – Any update - Cllr Davies / Cllr Mitchell	
Cllr Mitchell has a plan writing the SCYC TOR, will send them on.	
YC to have two reasons – to provide a voice for young people their views aspirations	Cllr
alternatively devolve them some level of responsibility – a budget etc	Mitchell
Or combination of those two, Cllr Mitchell will circulate a draft before October meeting.	
16. Future agenda Items	
Councillors are invited to propose items for 03 October 2023 agenda.	
Any Other Business and Future agenda items are invited by all Councillors to be sent to Clerk ahead of preparing the next Agenda.	
Date of next meeting: Tuesday 03 October 2023 at the Village Hall	
Meeting was closed by Cllr Mahon at 21.33	
18. Confidential Items	
That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1980, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media is excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.	
The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 03 October 2023 at 7.30pm. The meeting will open from 7:15 and will start at 7:30 prompt. If you need any help or further information regarding accessing the meeting please contact the clerk, Hannah Holmes, Clerk phone – 01296 534698. Website https://www.steepleclaydonparishcouncil.gov.uk/ Email – Clerk@steepleclaydonparishcouncil.gov.uk	

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Appendix 1 Summary of Clerk activity for 05/09/2023

• July/August 23

Administration

- Preparation of monthly transactions for August 23 finance run and September 23 meeting
- Action Point list from July minutes onto To Do app
- Renewed Microsoft licenses
- Casual Vacancy notice posted 22/08

On-going

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- Minutes prepared and on public display
- September agenda prepared and on public display
- Wages and finance run prepped
- On-going email correspondence
- Website updates
- Parishioner Correspondence
- Planning Application PC response submitted ref: 23/01856/APP and 23/01976/AGN
- **Streetlights**: Reported: 62 / 55 (18/08)

Meetings:

- 13/07 Alice from Bucks Community Board, ref V.O entrance / Meadoway footpath mtg (FM/IH)
- 13/07 Richard Farr Active Landscapes sign off MUGA
- **14/07** Justin from Sovereign ref gym equipment x 6, inclusive play piece x1 (SLT)
- 15/07 Cottage check (FM)
- **21/07** Bicester Trees ref rec/VO trees action plan update negative tree survey
- 03/08 Pete Golding electrical works at hall and library / cottage
- 21/08 parishioner at rec regarding tree's
- 24/08 CC regarding noticeboards/FNM bench
- 30/08 Cllr Mitchell LED streetlights

Other

- Clerk booked onto Conference Communities Enrichment and Resilience, 17 Oct 23
- AED used and re-commissioned noted new AED machine should be considered for precept 24/25
- EWR re vol painting black railings at Village Hall /pav completed 10/08
- Fire safety inspection report update and actioned findings and PC updated
- FILCA to be booked after sept mtg
- Emergency Planning Document Draft v 3 to be updated after mtg on 20/04/23
- School parking issue LAT on-going wrong signage/lampposts emailed photos etc -13/07
- MVAS order and correspondence with HS2/BC re reimbursement paperwork and SWARCO/BC re fitting & stat plans required. BC to now fit J Wainwright has confirmed
- FN mem Bench to be fitted
- EICR booked with Pete Golding for cottage / library / village hall booked for 27 July 23
- Hall fob keys purchased x10 and to programme issue with offline box at hall to investigate after electrical works finished
- New x6 a4 metalled no smoking areas signs for children's corner/skatepark/MUGA awaiting caps from BC as at 20/07 - now fitted 25/08/23
- New x4 noticeboards delivered to hall 27/06/23 to be fitted
- Tree surgeon asked to advise on TPO tree works required TPO admin to do. Emailed BC 24/07 with update
- VAT audit prep started
- Purchased x10 12inch plastic lamp post poppies 18/07 nb cos£5 each

Please note: The Clerk will be at the Library for her 'Clerk Clinic' every fortnight, on Thursday's from 09.30 -10am - during term time.

Dates are: Thurs 13 July, Thurs 07 Sept, Thurs 21 Sept,

Payee	Details	Payment method	Cllr initial	Category	NET	VAT	Gross
Hannah Holmes	wages	BACS		Gen Admin & Wages	£		£
Sam Hills	wages	BACS		Gen Admin & Wages	£		£
Pat Serle	wages	BACS		Gen Admin & Wages	£		£
Nick Osgerby	wages plus August which didn't go through	BACS		Gen Admin & Wages	£		£
Pat Serle	expenses - childrens books x4	BACS		Library	£26.79		£26.79
Hannah Holmes	expenses - car park at MK court	BACS		Misc	£1.50		£1.50
Oakpark	annual service / maintenanc e of fire extinguishe rs	BACS		Hall	£32.50	£6.50	£39.00
Oakpark	2 x 6w bulkheads replaced	BACS		Hall	£170.00	£34.00	£204.00
Dave Griffiths	rec ground maintenanc e inc herbicide Aug	BACS		Rec Ground & Pavilion	£630.00		£630.00
Dave Griffiths	rec ground maintenanc e JULY	BACS		Rec Ground & Pavilion	£600.00		£600.00
Pete Golding	Distribution boards and circuitry	BACS		Hall	£4,975.00		£4,975.00
Pete Golding	remiedial actions to cottage	BACS		Hall	£540.00		£540.00
HMRC	PAYE month 6	Quarterly DD		Gen Admin & Wages	£708.26		£708.26
Buckingha mshire	waste rental/colle	DD		Bins	£100.20		£100.20

Council	ction July 23					
Buckingha mshire Council	waste rental/colle ction Aug 23	DD	Bins	£84.85		£84.85
NPower	01 july - 31 July streetlights	DD	Street Lights	£1,435.59	£287.12	£1,722.71
E-on Next	01 july - 31 july pav	DD	Rec Ground & Pavilion	£47.48	£2.37	£49.85
E-on Next	01 july - 31 july hall/library	DD	Library	£157.07	£7.85	£164.92
E-on Next	01 July - 31 July CCTV / clock tower	DD	Clock Tower & Children's Corner	£43.22	£2.16	£45.38
E-on Next	01 Aug - 31 Aug CCTV / clock tower	DD	Clock Tower & Children's Corner	£43.43	£2.17	£45.60
British Gas	02 july - 29 July hall/library	DD	Hall	£30.25	£1.51	£31.76
Wave	15 May - 14 Aug - pav	DD	Rec Ground & Pavilion	£22.84		£22.84
Wave	12 May - 11 Aug - hall/library	DD	Hall	£155.89		£155.89
Checked safe	lone worker app	DD	Misc	£4.00	£0.80	£4.80
Village Networks	wifi for hall/library	DD	Hall	£25.00	£5.00	£30.00
Village Networks	wifi for pav	DD	Rec Ground & Pavilion	£25.00	£5.00	£30.00
				£13,078.53	£354.48	£13,433.01
Amazon	phone for library / traffic mirror for library doorway /new doorbell	cashcard	Library	£40.35		£40.35
Amazon	paper towels for	cashcard	Hall	£64.19		£64.19

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	toilets					
Vonage	VOIP line July	cashcard	Misc	£22.06		£22.06
Vonage	VOIP line August	cashcard	Misc	£24.50		£24.50
Microsoft	monthly charges	Cashcard	Misc	£45.00	£9.00	£54.00
Hewlett Packard	3 x ink cartridges	cashcard	Misc	£193.32	£38.66	£231.98