



Great Munden Parish
Great Munden, Nasty, Levens Green, Rush Green



Minutes of the meeting of Great Munden Parish Council, 10th August 2021 @7.30pm. The meeting was held in St. Nicholas Church, Great Munden

Present: Councillors J. Wentworth-Stanley (Chairman), A. Cook, R. Nelson, T. Rudge, J. Ingham

Officer Present: Lucinda Cope(clerk)

1. Apologies for absence

None

The Chairman welcomed Lucinda Cope as the new clerk and RFO to the Council.

2. To receive members' declarations of interest

None

3. To approve as a true record and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 25th May 2021.

4. Matters Arising

Cllr. Nelson reported that the Internal Auditor has suggested a donation to a charity of their choice in lieu of formal payment for the work completed on behalf of GMPC. It was agreed that the sum of £50 would be appropriate when the Charity is known.

Cllr. Rudge offered to ask a tree expert whether he would be prepared to survey the trees at Kettle Green in line with our risk policy, as a comparison to the quote already received which was very expensive.

Cllr. Ingham will contact Ardeley Parish Council about the clearance of the Old Bourne network.

It was reported that the previous Clerk was still trying to get BOAT35 repaired, but has not had response from the Byways officer despite many emails. Our clerk will keep chasing to get the repair work done.

5. Finances

Bank statements had been circulated prior to the meeting.

Account payments for the period were signed off by relevant councillors.

It was agreed that a new laptop for the GMPC clerk should be purchased. The old one effectively no longer works or supports Microsoft.

The new clerk is unable to access the Unity bank at present until her user details are verified. Her Bank mandate was completed. Ms. Sangster Marsh will continue to help with access until such time as the new clerk's details are enabled.

VAT has been received for the two years.

Cllr. Nelson reported that the first payment of the precept has been received.

It was decided to continue with the subscription to Air Ambulance of £100.

It was decided to get a quote from the website host to upgrade the website for all user ability.

Cllr. Cook produced a receipt for payment for the present to the retiring clerk.

6. Planning

Field Farm: No update

Steen cottage: Approved

Horse and Groom: Approved

Mill Farm: Updated to council on 4th May 2021.

Land between Waingate and Rainbow Lodge: Going to appeal.

7. Any other business

CDA – (Community development Action- Hertfordshires rural community Charity)

Discussion took place over subscription to this charity, agreed to continue.

Website map application, clerk to check its relevance to GMPC before resubscribing.

A parishioner has offered to place a bench for walkers opposite Steen Cottage. Councillors had no objection and thanked the parishioner for this idea.

8. Future meeting dates

5th October, 7th December, 8th March. Clerk to check dates for annual meetings in May