#### M3 MINUTES

# The Parish COUNCIL Meeting of Kings Ripton was held on Monday 17 Sep 2019 at 7.00pm in Village Hall

Present P Rayner, Chairman, Paul Bassitt, Vice-Chair, K Martin, R Rayner, Parish Councillors.

Ms R Mimiene, Clerk. 2 members of the public. HDC Cllr S Bywater

190917/414 To Receive Apologies and Reasons for Non Attendance

190917/414.1 None.

190917/415 To Consider co-option to fill 1 Councillor Vacancy

190917/415.1 Potential candidates approached. Carry forward to the next meeting. Vacancy stays open.

190917/416 Declaration of Interests for Members (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests).

**Dispensations** 

A dispensation from Cllr PR received re: Grass cutting.

Proposal Proposed by Cllr PB, seconded by Cllr KM, all in favour and it was RESOLVED that Carried

the dispensation form approved.

190917/417 To Receive Reports from District and County Councillors

Verbal report by HDC Cllr SB.

HDC CIIr SB offered his help with the footbridge project.

HDC Cllr SB left the meeting

Close of Meeting

190917/418 Public Participation Session with respect to items on the Agenda and other matters of mutual interest.

Redirection sign to the Glebe Farm put by Cllr RR as agreed at the last meeting that Glebe Farm should install direction signs to reduce lorry traffic through the village.

The resident reported that 2 accidents happened in the village since last PC meeting. Priority and not priority signs could be useful if installed by the chicanes, as drivers often

get confused. Cllr PR will approach Highways Officer.

Suggested wooden gateways for the village. The resident was also asking why the road narrowing at the top of the village is only a narrowing and not a chicane with a 'give way' arrangement for incoming traffic, as is the case at the other end of the village. To change the road configuration would mean another LHI application, which PC should consider doing to prevent accidents there. Does anyone know why the road was narrowed rather than a chicane put in place?

Note since meeting: The road narrowing was suggested by the County Council.

Whether the road was not wide enough for a full chicane it is not sure but it's what County Council advised. But then County Council put chicanes further down.

It is noted that chicanes become very unpopular if there are too many of them and County Council wanted to focus on the speed reduction in the centre of the village.

The resident provided a feedback re: Anglian Water and the issues he experienced as reported at the last meeting. Anglian Water at the end provided a good service but a lot of disruption been caused in the village. Resident suggested, would it be possible to claim any compensation from AW, that could go towards the village assets or the Church? Cllr PR will approach AW.

It was noted that the grass cutting carried by HDC frustrates the resident.

Local magazine issue brought up.

Residents' letters to be acknowledged.

Re-opening of the Meeting

190917/419 To Receive and Approve the Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting 16 July

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Proposal Proposed by Cllr PR, seconded by Cllr PB, all in favour and it was RESOLVED that Carried the minutes of PC Meeting 16 July 2019 to be accepted and signed as the true

record of the meeting.

Chairman signed the minutes.

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## 190917/420 Matters Arising for those Minutes

190917/420.1 All matters covered under the Agenda.

## 190917/421 To Review Councillor Responsibilities list

190917/421.1 Carry forward to the next meeting.

## 190917/422 Notification on Planning Items

190917/422.1 Cllr KM attended the Marshal presentation. Verbal report by Cllr KM.

The meeting was interesting but still at the very early stages, fact finding to decide which location MADG want to choose for their new site. A decision on which is the preferred site is expected in 2020. MADG will only need part of the site at RAF Wyton.

MADG plan to relocate their global HQ by 2030, over a 2-3 year timescale, bringing 1500 skilled engineering jobs to the new site, most of which will be existing staff transferring. Aircraft taking off and landing is not likely to exceed 1 daily even with the planned 3x growth. The full length of the runway won't be needed to land the C130 Hercules, Airbus 340 and small business jets but they haven't decided yet if they'll maintain the full runway. The drawback of RAF Wyton for MADG is that they would likely have to operate the site as an airport. There will be noise from engine testing about 500 hours p.a. but they currently use an enclosure to mitigate the noise. They are also planning a paint shop

facility for larger commercial jets but this will again be low volume of air traffic. A new entrance on the A141 would be needed and early studies show that road traffic generated is likely to be 'counter' the existing traffic.

Any comments will be welcomed and can be sent to <a href="mailto:community@marshalladg.com">community@marshalladg.com</a>
PC thanked Cllr KM for attending the meeting and for the feedback provided tonight.

#### 190917/423 Finance

190917/423.1 <u>Bank balance as at 31 Aug 19, Cashbook, Bank Reconciliation, Income & Expenditure</u>
Bank Reconciliation signed by the Chair. Clerk to prepare mandate to remove ex Cllr DS

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190917/423.2 <u>Funding Opportunities – CIIr KM is monitoring the options available.</u>

Start Considering Budget proposals for 2020/21 – Cllr KM will draft Budget proposals for the next Meeting. Things to take into a/c: Cost of the gateways (possibly apply for LHI) as raised by the resident today. Tree maintenance and grass cutting seem to be more

raised by the resident today. Tree maintenance and grass cutting seem to be more expensive than previous years. IT expenditure to consider. Cllrs to feedback ideas to Cllr KM and the Clerk.

190917/423.4 To choose the best option for PC insurance cover which expires on 30 Sep 19

	Premium (inc IPT and commission)
No LTU	£185.64
3 Year LTU	£176.36

**Proposal** 

190917/423.3

Proposed by Councillor RR, seconded by Councillor PB, all in favour and it was Carried RESOLVED that 3 Year Option is chosen.

Payment approved by PC.

190917/423.5 Expenditure for approval 17 Sep 19:

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Date payment raised	Reference no./Date paid	Payee	Description	Receipts	Payments
Sep 19					,
17/09/2019		Wages	Wages Aug 19		£134.76
17/09/2019		HMRC	Tax deductions Employee only Aug 19		£33.60
17/09/2019		Expenses	Expenses on running cost of PC Aug 19		£13.77
17/09/2019		Wages	Wages Sep 19		£134.56
17/09/2019		HMRC	Tax deductions Employee only Sep 19		£33.80
17/09/2019		Expenses	Expenses on running cost of PC Sep 19		£7.47
17/09/2019		Business Services at CAS Ltd	PC insurance Cover 1 Oct to 30 Sep 19		£176.36

#### Proposal

Proposed by Councillor KM, seconded by Councillor PR, all in favour and it was RESOLVED that items listed above including payment to Insurance Company for £176.36 are to be paid.

#### 190917/424 To Review Policy Documents:

190917/424.1 Review Standing Orders (last reviewed Sep 2018)

## Proposal Proposed by Councillor PR, seconded by Councillor KM, all in favour and it was Carried

RESOLVED that Standing Orders are approved.

190917/424.2 To Review Financial procedures for 2019/20: Financial Regulations (last reviewed Mar 19) as the amendments from NALC were received.

## The key legal changes to the new model Financial Regulations are:

1. Restriction added to Regulation 11.1.a.ii

Clarifying disapplication of contract regulations to legal professionals limited to those **acting** in disputes only – not general legal work.

- 1. Update to limits under Public Contract Regulations footnote to Regulation 11.1.b
- 2. Minor change to heading Regulation 12

#### **Proposal**

Proposed by Councillor KM, seconded by Councillor RR, all in favour and it was Carried RESOLVED that Financial Regulations are approved.

190917/424.3 Review Risk Assessment (Finance) last reviewed Nov 2018

It was agreed to add:

- Minimum of 3 Cllrs with active log in. Cllr PB is a signatory and will seek internet banking access.
- Regularly review DD Zen Internet put that we review.
- Delete ref to Finance working party, all Finance reports go to full PC.
- Deleting old users mandate to sign.

#### **Proposal**

Proposed by Councillor KM, seconded by Councillor PR, all in favour and it was Carried RESOLVED that the Risk Assessment (Finance) is approved.

190917/424.4 Review PC Assets List

Add the defibrillator to the list.

Leave just add -s on the end 'assets'

#### Proposal

Proposed by Councillor MK, seconded by Councillor RR, all in favour and it was Carried RESOLVED that the updated Assets list is approved.

190917/424.5

To review and Approve Risk Assessment – Cllr RR carried the Risk Assessment and presented the spreadsheet.

## Proposal

Proposed by Councillor RR, seconded by Councillor PB, all in favour and it was Carried RESOLVED that the Risk Assessment of the Village is approved.

Note since meeting: Clerk reported on 26 Sep 19:

- Mud collecting in corner of traffic calming + bollards;
- Lots of leaves around bus stop/ bus shelter;
- Untidy roads need a sweep.

#### 190917/424.6 Review Dispensation Procedure and Complaint handling

#### **Proposal**

Proposed by Councillor PB, seconded by Councillor KM, all in favour and it was Carried RESOLVED that the Dispensation Procedure and Complaint Handling is approved.

#### 190917/425

#### Allotments:

- 1) Tree Works Quotes received, the approved quote is for the price of £475.00 + VAT. Work agreed to be carried on Tue 1 Oct. Clerk to instruct the contractor.
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## 190917/426

## **Highways and Verges**

 Footbrigde over the Bury Brook – Cllr K Martin, verbal update. Forms and drawing sent Environmental Agency. Have not heard back yet. HDC Cllr SB offered help if needed.
 Cllr KM reported that the Bespoke Permit application forms submitted to the Environment Agency. The General Arrangement drawings were sent, pre-application advice requested.
 Need a confirmation of the fee for the permit.

The costs of the full topographical survey and ecological walkover survey to be carried. The watercourse is well monitored by the EA as they have an automatic level monitor on site which should give them ample information about the water levels there.

- 2) Litter picking and Road sweeping, reported, outcome
- Litter pick Clerk requested HDC for the litter pick. PC agreed that yet another request to litter pick from Jubilee Park down Ramsey Rd and all way through the village is needed.
- 2) Drains along the Ramsey Road seem to be ok now but might be issues soon when the leaves start falling down.
- 3) Grass cutting It was noted that the crossroads done well but the verge not cut.

#### 190917/427

## Speeding in the village

LHI application submitted. Awaiting the feedback.

#### 190917/428

### GDP, outcome

Cllrs discussed the usage of the personal devises and personal email addresses for PC business. It was agreed to take all possible precautions and use password protected devices. It was agreed that the Clerk will upload any sensitive info onto Google Drive which is password protected to avoid circulation by email.

It was noted that the former Clerk to the Council Mrs Palmer passed away.

2 Members of the public left the meeting

#### 190917/429

#### Defibrillator for the village, outcome

Cllr KM reported that when installing the defibrillator the cabinet should be fitted at no more than 1.1m height to the base of the cabinet (no handle more than 1.3m from the ground) to ensure it is accessible. The Electrician will need to supply a fitting certificate and the cabinet will need to be hard wired not fitted to a plug. The Lottery Grant covered an amount of £150 for the electrician's cost and so PC should be able to just go ahead with the installation if the cost is under £200 (we won't need 3 quotes). As the funds are with the Parish Council the Electrician should invoice PC for the cost of installation.

PC agreed that once it is up and running the training will be arranged (1 x evening session). Leaflet drop and article into RAN.

190917/430

## **Village Security**

No issues raised.

190917/431

Parish Council Website - Cllr PR will provide info for PCC section on PC website.

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#### 190917/432 Correspondence

Parish Training on 12 Mar 20 at Civic Suite, HDC at 6pm. Cllr KM might be able to attend. Clerk to book in.

190917/433	Members' Reports, round the table invitation to report None.				
190917/434	Matters to be raised by members for the next agenda As usual.				
190917/435	Date of the next meeting: Tue 19 Nov 2019 at the Village Hall				
	Meeting finished at 9.03pm				
	These minutes are considered draft until ratified at the Parish Council meeting				
	Date	Chairman:	Philip Rayner		