

Great and Little Hampden Parish Council : Clerk to the Council – Nick Baxter

**Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting
on Tuesday 10 May 2021 at 6.00pm**

The meeting took place at the Memorial Hall, Memorial Road, Great Hampden.

Present: Councillor F Smith (Chair)
Councillor J Griffin (Vice Chair)
Councillor C Aston
Councillor C Page
Councillor K Butler

Apologies Apologies were received from Buckinghamshire Councillors Steve Broadbent and David Carroll and three villagers.

Attendance: Mr N Baxter – Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

Members of the public: One member of the public were present.

MINUTES

AM22/0001: Formalities

- a) To NOTE apologies for absence
 - The apologies shown above were accepted.
- b) To RECEIVE declarations of interest in items on the agenda (*In accordance with the Local Code of Conduct to receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests and to consider and grant any dispensation requests*)
 - No declarations were made.

AM22/0002: Minutes and matters arising

- a) To APPROVE the minutes of the annual meeting held on 27 May 2021 and CONSIDER any matters arising.

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- The minutes were unanimously APPROVED and there were no matters arising.

AM22/0003: Annual report by the Chair

- a) To RECEIVE an Annual report from the Chair for the period ending March 2022
 - The Chair read her report which is shown below.

Chairpersons Report 2021/2022

Thank you to all councillors for their support over the last year.

Welcome to Karen Butler, from Little Hampden, who we co-opted to fill the vacancy from the uncontested election last year.

Thank you to Nick for the work you have put in to keep us compliant and for making the internal audit go without a hitch.

The use of CIL monies is not straightforward because of the restriction on usage and the various limitations we have placed upon us by the Parish being within, two, privately owned, estates.

We have used some of the CIL money to repair the War Memorials in Great Hampden.

CIL will be used for the following.

We are in conversation with BBONT to do some work on Blakemore Pond to improve it as a haven for wild life.

Also to plant trees for the Duke of Edinburgh and the Queen's Jubilee and place additional and refurbished benches on the common.

We have also started regular meetings with representatives of the Great Hampden Estate to get information on their ongoing plans for the village.

Again thank you to the councillors for the efforts over the last year.

After disruption caused by the pandemic I sincerely hope that we can now get back to some sort of normality, other world events permitting."

There were no questions on the Chair's annual report.

AM22/0004: To ELECT a Chair and Vice Chair of the Parish Council for the period to 31 March 2023

a) To ELECT a Chair

- Councillor Aston proposed that Councillor Smith be elected as chair. Councillor Griffin seconded the proposal. The proposal was passed, and Councillor Smith was duly elected as Chair.

b) To ELECT a Vice-chair

- The Chair advised that Councillor Griffin had decided to step down as Vice Chair. The Chair thanked John for his work as Vice Chair and stated that we continue to look forward to his contribution as a Parish Councillor. Councillor Butler proposed that Councillor Aston stands as Vice Chair. This proposal was seconded by Councillor Page. The proposal was passed, and Councillor Aston was duly elected as Vice Chair.

AM22/0005: Questions from parishioners/electorate

a) To The Chair/Clerk will take questions from the floor

- The Parishioner present asked where the idea of allotments had come from. The Chair explained that it had been suggested by residents in the village and that three residents had already asked to be considered for an allotment, once they were available.
- There were no other questions from the floor.

Signed Date

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