



GRENDON UNDERWOOD PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES

GENERAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972 (various sections), notice is hereby given that Grendon Underwood Parish Council will hold a general meeting in the Village Hall, Main Street, Grendon Underwood on

Tuesday, 27th June 2023 at 19.30

DRAFT Issue date – 22nd June 2023

B. Martindale - Acting Parish Clerk

Prior to the meeting being formally constituted for Council business, the Chairman may hold a discretionary Open Forum, for contributions from Parishioners and other stakeholders attending, (under adjournment): Items requiring decisions must be deferred for inclusion in the next agenda.

2306.01 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- (a) Attendees- Cllrs Benfield (Chairman), Scanlon, Fealey, Harris, Maker, County Cllr Rand.
Apologies- Cllrs Moloney & Jackman, Clerk.
Absences- none.
- (b) Members disclosable pecuniary interests- none declared.
- (c) Minutes of the annual meeting of Grendon Underwood Parish Council- approval held over due to absence.
- (d) Actions from previous meetings –
 - (i) County Council action - N Maker: Storm drains being cleared in the village – **ACTION**- Cllr Maker to provide feedback to county. C Scanlon asked if this work would cover the drainage ditch beside the path from outside the prison entrance to the village as overgrown again.
 - (ii) Parish Council action – the following currently outstanding actions from previous minutes of the PC were held over:
 - Status of footpath lights maintenance
 - Verges maintenance contractor
 - Playground defect rectification plan
 - Playpark compliance signage
 - MUGA footpath improvement
 - Use of notice boards
 - Defibrillators relocations
 - Planter installation
 - Notify County Democracy of Member co-option.
- e) Next Meeting: Agreed scheduled date of 25th July 2023.

2306.02 FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS

- (a) Review invoice payment status. Cllr Scanlon asked whether the village hall hire for Springhill June event had been received/paid.
- (b) Review any outstanding expense claims – none raised.
- (c) Review any outstanding grant applications – status of the pending school application was queried.

2306.03 AGENDA REQUESTS

To consider any Agenda item requests submitted by cutoff date.

1. From Members –

Cllr Maker: Status of village gateways. verges into the village overgrown, hedgerow blocking signs. Has been reported to fix my street, questioned who is responsible for cutting the grass verges as you approach the village.

Cllr Moloney: path to MUGA & playpark. pending update from HS2. Cllr Scanlon raised the sign on the playpark had slipped – **ACTION P Jackman to sort.**

Cllr Scanlon: MUGA gate does not close properly – **ACTION A Benfield and N Maker to take forward.**

Cllr Moloney: planting of new planter. Cllr Benfield asked about the profits from the village coronation events as they had discussed buying an additional planter for the other end of the village. Village Coronation organisers to follow up.

ACTION: C Scanlon and L Fealey. Filling of existing planter with topsoil and planting **ACTION: A Benfield and N Maker to take this forward.**

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Cllr Moloney: church property maintenance. The meeting claimed the LGA 1972, section 214 says that a PC is a burial authority and may provide and maintain cemeteries. Although Councillors present were all in favour of maintaining the church yard, and the previously advised preference of the Chairman was also to continue, it was agreed to hold a vote at the next meeting when the Clerk and Chairman were present as this may be contrary to NALC legal advice. **ACTION: Ask clerk to obtain three quotes for grass cutting excluding the area where residents maintain the verges outside their home and to include the church graveyard.**

2. From Stakeholders -.

EfW – next meeting 3 July 2023.

Village Hall – Meeting held 21st June was a general discussion only with a rescheduled meeting 6th July when defib will be discussed as well as higher electricity costs, commercial kitchen suppliers and high-level blinds.

Springhill - Cllr. Scanlon thanked the committee for the grant that covered the cost of the recent event at the village hall, which raised £880 towards the repair of the roads

Having issues with fly tipping by resident - have spoken to them twice. If not resolved in the next few weeks, then we go to the necessary authorities.

Drains on the main drag are blocked which adds to the issue of the houses on Park Road flooding the other Sunday when we had the heavy rain. Unfortunately, the prison does not seem to want to get these cleared. Cllr Rand said that this was an environmental issue as impacting people’s lives. Cllr Scanlon to see if the main house affected i.e. number 4 has any photos of the damage to their downstairs rooms. The blocked drains in Spring Hill. **ACTION** - Cllr Rand noted a request to look into the problem and see what support Buckinghamshire Council can give to the residents.

ACTION: Ask the clerk to write to the prison

Saye and Sele report - nothing to report since our last mtg except routine determination of 3 grants to individuals.

3. From Residents.

4. Other.

2306.04 PERSONNEL, CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

The Parish Council will make a Resolution to exclude the public from this part of the meeting in accordance with Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960. Nothing arising.

2306.05 OPEN FORUM FOR MEMBERS (under adjournment); councillors will be provided the opportunity to raise items for discussion at the next meeting.

Cllr Harris said he has to finish the configuration of the MVAS units and the old signs have been put on eBay and has been offered £200 for them awaiting payment otherwise will put back on eBay.

Cllr Fealey next litter pick is 22nd July, C Scanlon happy to provide tea, coffee etc.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20.35

Signed as a true and accurate record

Cllr A. Benfield, Chairman presiding.

Dated

**GRENDON UNDERWOOD PARISH
COUNCIL BANK TRANSACTIONS**

JUNE 2023

Transaction Date	Transaction Type	Transaction Description	Debit Amount	Credit Amount
01/06/2023	SO	MARION RYLEY prof services	£ 10.00	
05/06/2023	DD	ICO ZA041488 subscription	£ 35.00	
23/06/2023	DD	SOUTHERN ELECTRIC 095668551	£ 88.74	
30/06/2023	FPO	HMRC - ACCOUNTS	£ 67.60	
30/06/2023	FPO	CLERK JUNE 2023 SALARY	£ 270.40	