



Soulbury Parish Council Buckinghamshire

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 15 July 2024 at 7:30 pm

Those present:

Cllr Nigel Kemal
Cllr Margaret Rowe
Cllr Alan Stevens
Cllr Victor Wright Chairman

Wendy Taylor Clerk

3 member of the public (MOP)

89/24	Apologies for absence																	
	Apologies received from Cllrs Jilly Jordan, Maurice Cross, Salina Darbyshire Mackay and John Bennett.																	
90/24	Questions or comments from the public																	
	Cllr Jordan sent her report for inclusion on the website. Clerk read out headlines.																	
91/24	Minutes of the previous Parish Meeting																	
	Minutes of the meeting held on 17th June 2024 were agreed as correct and signed by the Chairman.																	
92/24	Matters arising																	
	None																	
93/24	To receive declarations of interest related to the business on the agenda																	
	There were none.																	
94/24	Finance																	
	<p>a) Accounts paid Please see attached list.</p> <p>b) Monies received: Please see attached list.</p> <p>Balance at bank as at 8 July 2024 was £29,893.65, balance as at 15 July 2024 is £29,403.65. Bank statement for June 2024 was signed by Cllr Wright.</p> <p>Since the agenda was prepared the following have been paid and received:</p> <table><thead><tr><th></th><th>£</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Eon Next</td><td>36.90</td></tr><tr><td>Anglian Water</td><td>54.92</td></tr><tr><td>Austin and Carnley</td><td>645.00</td></tr><tr><td>British Gas</td><td>28.18</td></tr><tr><td>Millennium Green</td><td>600.00</td></tr><tr><td>Receipts</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Bucks Council</td><td>275.00</td></tr></tbody></table>		£	Eon Next	36.90	Anglian Water	54.92	Austin and Carnley	645.00	British Gas	28.18	Millennium Green	600.00	Receipts		Bucks Council	275.00	
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95/24	Update from Clerk on parish matters	
	<p>a) Model Financial Regulations - ongoing</p> <p>b) 30 mph on Stewkley Road: two members of the public have both written separately to Cllr Gomm for his support with this and neither have had a response. The Clerk will forward a copy of the email to the Local Area Technician, Matt Whincup, and Cllr Jordan.</p> <p>c) Overgrown hedging Chapel Hill - letter to be sent to cut hedging back. Cllr Wright will obtain name and address to which the clerk needs to write.</p> <p>d) Bin area on village green - no response to first letter, will wait a week and then send a registered letter.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr Wright</p> <p>Clerk</p>
96/24	Planning	
	None	
97/24	Environment	
	<p>a. Fountain Documents now sent to Land Registry, solicitor warned it could be a long wait.</p> <p>b. Allotments New fencing with no gate to the allotments has now been erected so it was decided that a letter need not now be sent and the matter is closed.</p> <p>c. Millennium Green Soulfest a resounding success. Returned to being a family event. Many compliments. AGM this month - Nigel Kemal and Wendy Taylor reelected as Chairman and Secretary/Treasurer respectively. Circuitous pathway around the green to be decided so the less abled and those using the area in wet conditions can see more of the area. Semi permanent concrete plinth with posts over which tenting can be added for use as a bandstand is being planned. A gate has appeared in the fence row giving access to the SMG from a private garden. Cllr Kemal will have a walk in that area to ensure no-one else has access. A letter is then to be written to ask for the gate to be removed. Garden rubbish appeared and placed in a heap to burn without the permission of the SMG.</p> <p>d. DDay 80 celebration - big success, beacon lit at 21:15 in line with national timings, all food and beverages made to recipes of the time. Many compliments.</p> <p>e. Childrens play area, Mount Pleasant - Thursday 18 July it will be rolled, hired in plant insurance acquired.</p>	Cllr Kemal
98/24	Correspondence	
	<p>a. VE Day 80 on 8 May 2025 - email from Bruno Peek. Info given to Cllr Stevens</p> <p>b. Village Green training - no interest</p> <p>c. New training on Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas. Info given to Cllr Wright</p> <p>d. Neighbourhood Planning Training - no interest</p> <p>e. New training on Managing your Village Hall - no interest</p> <p>f. New training on Allotment Management: Legal and Theory Info given to Cllr Kemal</p>	<p>Cllr Stevens</p> <p>Cllr Wright</p> <p>Cllr Kemal</p>

	<p>g. Email received from Hollingdon regarding overgrown footpath. By coincidence email received from Bucks Rights of Way giving details of those responsible so this is to be given to Hollingdon.</p> <p>h. Email received regarding procurement of poppy wreaths for November. Cllr Rowe has dealt with this. However there is a slight increase in price. Cllr Rowe will confirm to the Clerk what this is.</p>	Cllr Rowe
99/24	Councillors Open Forum	
	<p>Childrens play area in Mount Pleasant is a 'No Dogs' zone with plenty of signage. However, dog poo is still be found in the dustbin on site. Larger signage to be designed.</p> <p>Huge safety concerns expressed regarding the non cutting of the grass verges to roads and junctions. There is a particular issue with the bends after the fountain going towards the bypass where it covers the chevrons. A member of the public thought she put this on FixMyStreet when raised at the last meeting. Post meeting note: MOP checked she did this, she had and did it again and received a note following morning that it will be done in the next 10 days.</p> <p>Cllr Stevens commented on the latest RoSPA report and items be looked at.</p>	
100/24	Public Participation	
	<p>MOP raised the issue of payment of the parish hall cleaner. He commented that she does a good job and asked on what basis she is paid. The Clerk took over payment to her and was told what to pay. Cllr Rowe who is/was on the village hall committee wasn't clear so the Clerk offered to discuss this with the cleaner so we can be sure she is paid appropriately.</p>	Clerk
101/24	Next meeting	
	<p>The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday, 16 September, 2024 in Soulbury Parish Hall at 7:30 pm.</p> <p>Please note the dates for 2024: 21/10/24, 18/11/24, 16/12/24.</p>	All

Distribution: All Councillors/Parish Website/Parish Noticeboard/Parish News (a resume)

Payments and receipts as at 8 July 2024

Payments		£
CS Maintenance	Grass cutting inv CS0521	180.00
Heart and Soulbury Gardens	Inv HSG-095-040	225.00
Heart and Soulbury Gardens	Inv HSG-094-010	100.00
Wendy Taylor	Reimbursement of Sage Payroll licence fee	9.60
GDM Electrical	Replace 4 lights for LEDs	361.92
Eon Next	Power for parish hall	39.66
Mrs S N Green	Village hall cleaning	80.00
Victor Wright	Winzip software for parish laptop	31.14
Victor Wright	Convex mirrors	61.98
Brian Goss	Hardstanding standing installation at SMG	3528.00
Eon Energy Solutions	Alterations to new streetlight	247.80
CS Maintenance	Grass cutting inv CS0522	180.00
NPower	Streetlighting - June	70.66
Victor Wright	Reimbursment for purchase of new marquee	1269.00
NPower	Streetlighting - July	62.72
Playsafety	RoSPA check on childrens play areas	201.60
CS Maintenance	Grass cutting inv CS0523	180.00
Receipts		
Sane	Parish Hall booking	30.00
Parrott	Parish Hall booking	40.00
SMG	Share of RoSPA costs	78.00