

GREAT GADDESSEN PARISH COUNCIL

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HP4 3HZ

19th November 2019

Minutes of the Great Gaddesden Parish Council Meeting held on **Monday 18th November 2019** at **Great Gaddesden Parish Hall at 7.30pm**

Present: Cllr Louise Wilson (Chair), Cllr Malcolm Stodell, Cllr John Lowrie, Cllr Kevin Fitzgerald, Cllr Andy Thompson, Cllr Tony Martin (from item 3a)

In attendance: Mr Andrew Farrow (Parish Clerk), Mr Terry Douris (County Councillor until 9.15pm), Mrs Jane Timmis (Dacorum Borough Councillor) and 2 members of the public

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Dacorum Borough Councillor Bert Chapman

2. RECORDING OF MEETINGS

Resolved: that with immediate effect all Council Meetings would be recorded and the recordings held by the Clerk for 12m from the date of recording.

3. MINUTES FROM THE MEETING HELD 16th SEPTEMBER 2019

Resolved: that the minutes of Great Gaddesden Parish Council held on Monday 21st October 2019 were agreed as a true and accurate recording of the proceedings.

4. PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCIES

Resolved: that Mr Tony Martin be appointed as a Parish Councillor.

It was noted that there remained a vacancy for another Councillor and attendees were encouraged to promote the opportunity.

5. OUTSTANDING MATTERS – UPDATE

- a) **Parish Paths Partnership 2018** – awaiting quotes
- b) **Parish Paths Partnership 2019** – awaiting quotes
- c) **Water leak in West Deane** – repaired
- d) **Grant request from Essex and Herts Air Ambulance** – agreed to pay £500

- e) **Salt** – agreed that the Clerk would determine whether salt was still available from Hertfordshire County Council, and if it was that a pallet would be ordered and stored at Cllr Martin's house until required.
- f) **Overgrown foliage** – Cllr Wilson to draft a note for Cllr Douris to review
- g) **Padlock for Gaddesden Row allotments** – obtained and will be fitted after a suitable notice period.
- h) **Concrete blocks at Old Chequers** – the blocks are there to prevent trespass and neither the Borough nor Parish Councils have any power to get them removed.
- i) **Dog bins** – it was confirmed that these would be located as follows
 - The right-hand side of Gaddesden Row Common, with the permission of the landowner
 - By the stile at Great Gaddesden
 - At the main entrance to the Gaddesden Row allotments
 - At the Nettleden Road layby
 - At the footpath off St Margaret's next to the Buddhist Temple
 And that the Clerk could proceed to order and have them installed.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence had been received:

- A Parishioner had requested that the number of HGV's using Potten End Hill be examined to determine whether the number had increased since the weight limit was introduced on Water End Bridge; the same request had been sent to Nettleden with Potten End PC. Cllr Douris had provided figures from the last survey of Potten End Hill in 2016 which showed 100 HGV's a week using the road, and also reported that the weight limit on Leighton Buzzard Rd had reduced the daily number of HGV's using it from 228 to 43. Hertfordshire Highways had advised that there were no firm criteria for determining whether a weight limit would be considered. Cllr Douris advised that a survey would cost £700 and had undertaken to make a contribution toward it. The Council agreed that if Nettleden with Potten End PC wanted to commission a survey that it would also contribute; the costs would then be split three ways between the two councils and Cllr Douris. The Clerk would advise Nettleden and Potten End of the offer.

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

8. HIGHWAYS

Cllr Douris was investigating the possibility of formalising the layby on Nettleden Road and was awaiting a response.

Cllr Douris confirmed that the erosion at the junction where Hudnall Lane meets Leighton Buzzard Road had been repaired

9. PLANNING

A TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS BELOW:

Ref: 19/02645/FUL

Gaddesden Place RDA Centre Bridens Camp Bridens Camp, HP2 6EX

Single storey detached annex building

No objection

Ref: 4/02350/19/DRC

Stags End Equestrian Centre Gaddesden Lane Gaddesden Row HP2 6HN

Details as required by condition 13 (lighting design plan) and condition 16 (footpath protection scheme) attached to planning permission 4/02640/18/mfa (demolition of antiques showroom, antiques store / showroom and storage buildings. Mixed use development.

No objection

Ref: 19/02694/FHA and 19/02695/LBC

14 St Margarets, Great Gaddesden, HP1 3BZ

Retention of garden shed

No objection

Ref:19/02721/ROC

Honeybrook, St Margarets, Great Gaddesden, HP1 3BZ

Variation of Condition 12 (approved plans) attached to planning permission 4/02874/15/FUL (demolition of existing dwellings & outbuildings. Construction of 2 new detached dwellings)

The Clerk to request an extension for further consideration

B TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS BETWEEN THE DATE OF THE AGENDA AND THE DATE OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:

Ref: 19/02779/FUL

Amaravati Buddhist Monastery

Construction of Nursing Pd Building (1.5 storeys)

No comment

Ref: 19/02738/FHA

Gade Mead, Pipers Hill, Great Gaddesden HP1 3BY

First floor extension

No objection (but the Clerk was asked to ascertain whether appropriate public notification had been undertaken)

Ref: 19/02518/LDE

Plot 5 Cupid Green Lane

Siting of a mobile home on agricultural land for agricultural purposes

Dacorum BC advise that it is not possible for the Parish Council to object.

10. FINANCE

a. Monies received

Dacorum BC in respect of the Community Infrastructure Levy on the development at Widmore Yard, Bradden Lane, Gaddesden Row (4/03193/17/FUL).	£18,049.87
Allotment rental	£11.25
Sale of apples from the orchard, Gaddesden Row	£250.00

b. Payment of invoices

Mrs A Nudd - October and November overtime	£510.00
JPI Media Publishing – advertisement for new clerk in local press	£594.00

11. LUTON AIRPORT EXPANSION PLANS

Councillor Timmis updated the meeting on the Luton Airport expansion plans.

12. PAYROLL MANAGEMENT

As a result of the increased number of hours on which the new Clerk was retained the Council was now liable to pay Employer National Insurance contributions.

Resolved: That the Clerk register the Council with HMRC.

Resolved: That the Council enter into an agreement with Community Action Dacorum to process future payrolls.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Meeting is scheduled to take place at Great Gaddesden Parish Hall at 8.00 pm on Monday, 20th January 2020.

The meeting closed at 9.40 pm.

Chairman 

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