

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2021 AT 8.00 PM IN  
THE CHURCH ROOM, WEST WYCOMBE**

**ATTENDANCE:**

Cllrs Mr S. Cope, Mr N. Harris, Mrs V. Smith, Mrs E. Copley, Mrs K. Cheshire, Mr J. Carstensen

In attendance: Mrs A Wright, Mrs S. Henson - Clerk      Buckinghamshire Cllr Mr D. Hayday,

**APOLOGIES:**

Ms C. Rowland (COVID)

Buckinghamshire Cllr Mrs O. Hayday

**DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS BY MEMBERS RELATING  
TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

– Cllr Harris declared a pecuniary interest in the planning application 21/08083/CTREE-53 High Street, West Wycombe and 21/08504/CTREE – 50A High Street, West Wycombe

**CONFIRMATION AND SIGNING OF MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER PARISH COUNCIL  
MEETING**

The Minutes for the November Parish Council meeting were agreed by those Councillors present and signed by the Chairman.

**CLERK'S REPORT.**

1. The Clerk has ordered the Platinum Jubilee but not had a confirmation.
2. JSG Handyman has fitted the new parts on the play equipment and the goal.
3. Cracked tarmac around gully outside 21/22 High Street has been reported to Fix my Street, however there are no plans to repair it as it is not seriously damaged.
4. No further information currently available from Sheppards of Henley in relation to the Pedestal Monument.
5. No further information from Historic England about the ownership of the Pedestal Monument.
6. The Clerk has delivered small gifts to all our volunteers and will put up posters wishing everyone a Happy Christmas and Peaceful New Year.
7. Clerk has approved the materials and wording for a headstone for Mr & Mrs Hogan.

MEETING CLOSED FOR PUBLIC QUESTION TIME  
MEETING REOPENED

**290.1 Correspondence received 12<sup>th</sup> November – 9<sup>th</sup> December 2021**

1. Buckinghamshire Council daily and weekly updates and press releases – links put on website.
2. Website analysis for November – emailed
3. Response from Fynecast in relation to the plans/tree works beyond Gerrard Court.
4. Email from a High Street residence re the gully outside 21/22 High Street
5. Thank you for the Remembrance Service from a local resident.
6. Email acknowledging our request for a litter bin with cover for the lay by in Bradenham Road and our request that nothing changes with the litter bins in the High Street.
7. Chiltern Rangers arranging a meeting at noon on 5<sup>th</sup> January – Clerk will attend.
8. Permission for a planning response extension for The Barn, Towerage Lane.
9. Request from Cadent Gas for venues where public meetings can be held as major gas mains work is planned for the West Wycombe Road from Plomer Hill to the Pastures junction in January. Clerk has provided contact details for several venues.
10. Publicity on the Pride of Bucks Awards – closing date 31<sup>st</sup> December.
11. Police and Crime Commissioners Newsletter – emailed
12. Notification that Food Waste collection will resume on 13<sup>th</sup> December – on website/Facebook/noticeboards.
13. Local Plan Consultation – end February – agenda item in January – emailed
14. Confirmation that the new Electoral Roll will be issued in early December.
15. Request from an allotment tenant for chickens on the allotments. Clerk has replied in the negative.
16. Request from a local resident for waste bags as they were missed off the door-to-door delivery.

17. Notification from Cadent that 2.4km of gas main is to be replaced along the West Wycombe Road from 7<sup>th</sup> January lasting for 22 weeks. We will need to publicise locally. Clerk has asked the Buckinghamshire Councillors to ask for unitary help with publicising this.
18. Precept calculations table.
19. Notification from BMKALC that the pay settlement with the Local Government Association have still not been agreed, however once it is, all pay should be backdated to April 1st, 2021.

**290.2 Planning Applications & decisions:**

**21/08230/LBC-Towerage Barn, Toweridge Lane, West Wycombe**-Change of Use from Agricultural barn to 1-bed holiday accommodation C3 (Residential) to include erection of single storey side extension and installation of 2 x tapered saddle stones and associated fencing and siting of septic tank – no objection in principle however we feel that the random cobble effect around the property is not in keeping with the rural setting and would not appear to deal with the drainage of ground water.

**21/08083/CTREE-53 High Street, West Wycombe**-Fell due to size and excessive shading of garden x 1 Walnut (T1). Prune lateral growth by approx. 2m to encourage the tree to grow in a more traditional manner x 1 Apple tree (P1). Prune branches by approx. 0.5m to 1m to – no objection

**21/07525/FUL – Beechwood House, 10 Beechwood Road, West Wycombe** – amended plans - Householder application for re-landscaping of side gravel drive leading to rear of property – no objection

**21/08504/CTREE – 50A High Street, West Wycombe** – fell apple tree(T1), Gleditsia (T2), Laurel (T3) and walnut(T4) fell to ground level – no objection

Decisions

No up-to-date decisions.

**290.3 To agree the budget for 2022/23**

Prior to the meeting the Clerk had issued a suggested budget for consideration. It was resolved to approve the budget once the HS2 safety figure had been reduced to £5000 as this has now been confirmed in writing. We are no further forward with the High Street feasibility scheme and as we do not have any projects to consider no allowance has been made for implementation in the coming financial year.

**290.4 To set the Precept for 2022/23**

The Clerk handed out samples of the different precept figures using the Buckinghamshire calculations software. Amounts from £42,00 to £43,500 were considered. It was resolved to set a precept of £42,500, a reduction of 2.83%.

**290.5 To discuss progress on the Community Orchard**

The Clerk has a site meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> January with the Chiltern Rangers. No sign of any sheep at the moment.

**290.6 To report and discuss any highways issues**

Correspondence between the Operations Manager of TfB and the Clerk re gully emptying conducted on 11<sup>th</sup> November and an issue with the gullies leading to the Pedestal roundabout and outside 21/22 High Street – in future it will be carried out twice per year as long as we can clear the High Street of cars each time.

Light 11 has been reported on Fix My Street.

HS2 Road Safety Fund – we have passed the final stage on all three projects for the Bradenham Road - £5000 will be our contribution.

Confirmation that 20mph speed limits can be requested by Parish Councils however they will have to seek funding for it

**290.7 To discuss Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations for 2022**

No further information at the present time.

**290.8 To approve the accounts for December 2021 - appendix 2**

It was resolved to approve the accounts.

**290.9 Members questions**

It was decided to delay making a decision on The New Year's Day Walk.

We will make protective covers for the new electrical sockets on the feeder pillars. We will

outsource the installation of the Christmas tree lights in future.

## **290.10 Date of next meeting**

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 8pm in The Church Room, West Wycombe

### **Payments to be made in December 2021**

Cartridge People (debit card)	59.89	Black toner and A4 paper
Southern Electric (dd)	25.32	Feeder pillar energy
Southern Electric (dd)	23.86	Feeder pillar energy
Castle Water (dd)	47.07	Allotment water – monthly for 4 months
Mrs S Henson	599.42)	November salary
Mrs S Henson	72.90)	November travel and expenses
Bucks Council	221.30	December pension
HMRC - online	84.00	Tax
Acorn Landscaping	493.14	Highway grass, burial ground, Pedestal strimming
TBS Hygiene	115.20	November collections
JSG Handyman	186.01	Play equipment repairs and goal fixings
SWARCO	602.83	Maintenance contract for solar VAS units
Complete Tree Services	768.00)	Pedestal Tree work
Complete Tree Services	2574.00)	Burial Ground tree work
Keith Heybourn	200.00	Ashes plot digging (weekend)
Dave Dakin	402.00	Electrical work for Christmas lights
WDALC	10.00	Annual subscription
SLCC	134.00	Annual subscription
Eros	183.00	Hire of cherry picker for Christmas tree
Giff gaff (debit card)	6.00	Monthly charge for mobile
Smart Numbers (dd)	23.99	Monthly service charge
Southern Electric (dd)	78.88	Streetlight energy
<b>Total</b>	<b>6910.81</b>	

### **Statement of account as at 1<sup>st</sup> December 2021**

Opening balance as at 1 <sup>st</sup> November	48292.36
Plus BBC film donation for use of Burial Ground car park	150.00
Burial fee	190.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>48632.36</b>
Less November payments	4188.03
<b>Total</b>	<b>44444.33</b>