

LITTLE MUNDEN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the meeting of the Parish Council (PC) held on 21st April 2016 at Little Munden Memorial Hall at 7.30 pm.

1. ATTENDANCE

Present were: Lizzie Bacon (LB) Chairman; Jonathan Pool (JP); Keith Williams (KW); Jenny Macintosh (JM); Darren Jones (DJ); David Hart (DH) Councillors
Geraldine Ward (GW) Clerk

Members of the Public: 1

APOLOGIES: Hannah Charvill (HC)

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None.

3. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17TH MARCH 2016

The minutes were proposed by DJ and seconded by DH.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES

4.1 Little Munden Memorial Hall Trustees

KW reported that the matter was now in the hands of the new Hall Committee.

4.2 Noticeboard

LB reported that she had seen the Noticeboard which was now ready to put up. Closed item.

4.3 Newsletter

The Parish Council had agreed at the March meeting not to change it at present.
Closed item.

4.4 Fencing Horses' Meadow

Clerk to arrange repair of wire and pole fencing.

4.5 Basketball Hoop Base

DJ - No news to report and felt it would be worth waiting to see what the outcome was of the proposed skateboard ramp.

4.6 Lovely Day Productions Car Parking

Clerk had written to the Production Company asking for the promised Car Parking fee.
Awaiting response.

4.7 Group Photograph

Completed at start of this meeting.

4.8 New Sign for Whiteley Close

Carol Bartels had requested a sign for the other end of the path which the Clerk had now ordered.

4.9 To review the Major Incident Emergency Plan to reflect changes and update

DJ reported that this would be completed shortly.

AGENDA

5. PLANNING

New Applications

3/16/0637/LBC & HH: Proposed single storey extension including courtyard area in-filled. Hunts Cottage Munden Road Dane End, Ware, Herts. By 19/4/16.

3/16/0785/ARPN Change of use of existing agricultural store/livestock pens into three residential dwellings at Whitehill Farm, Whitehill, Dane End, Ware, Herts SG12 0JR. By 22/4/16.

JM reported that the neighbours were still in favour of this development. However JP explained that his original objection still stood whereby he queried what was planned for the remaining buildings. He had been told by the landowner that the remaining buildings would be used as agricultural buildings and JP pointed out that these had never been used for this purpose in the past. A further letter of representation would now be sent in on the Parish Council's behalf querying this point again.

Decisions

3/16/0086/HH Erection of pitched roof front porch at 20 Easington Road, Dane End, Ware, Herts SG12 0LX. Permission granted.

3/16/0380/HH proposed single storey side extension at Manor Cottage, The Street, Haultwick, Ware, Herts SG11 1JQ. Permission refused.

3/16/0285/FUL Land adjacent to: 7 Pearman Drive Dane End ware Herts SG12 0LW. Permission refused.

6. FINANCE

Current Account Balance BF 10/3/16	£	14813.08
Receipts:		Nil

Deduct Payments from Current Account

Date	Payment to	Cheque No	Amount
17/3/16	VOID	931	£ 0.00

17/3/16	Herts Display	932	80.60
17/3/16	Post Office Ltd/Clerks PAYE	933	33.38
17/3/16	R Barron-Website Mar/Apr	934	70.00
17/3/16	LMMH- Hall Bookings	935	112.50
17/3/16	G Ward-Clerks Fee	936	177.26
17/3/16	Kirkham's Contracting	938	2364.00
31/3/16	L Bartlett Litterpicker	SO	41.92
07/4/16	EHC – Dog Bin Emptying	939	375.77
Total Payments			3255.43

	£
Online balance on Current Account 12/4/16	11933.42
Balance Brought forward 10/3/16	14813.08
Less Payments	3255.43
Plus Receipts	Nil
Plus uncleared cheque no 939	375.77
Balance as at 12/4/16	11933.42

JP explained that the accounts for Year End 2015/16 (subject to Audit) would be presented at the APM.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Correspondence Received

11/2/16 Letter from John Grisbrooke regarding Remembrance Sunday.

Following the addition of a religious dimension to the act last year, John Grisbrooke presented a letter to the Parish Council querying whether this religious dimension should continue and whether this was the wishes of the Parishioners. JP reported that the ceremony last year had worked well.

JM commented that she had always felt that having two ceremonies taking place at the same time in different places was divisive and confusing. However as the Church service and ceremony at the War Memorial are now at different times this is no longer a problem and the Church would like to have some involvement in the War Memorial Ceremony.

John Grisbrooke pointed out that traditionally it had been a lay event and that over the years the number of people attending the ceremony had grown in numbers. He didn't want to see these numbers dwindle. Therefore consideration should be given as to the form the ceremony should take.

18/3/16 Notice of Annual Review of accounts for year ending 31/3/16. To be signed off at May meeting. To be returned by 4/7/16.

22/3/16 Copy of letter from C Marlow to EHC – letter of objection to planning at 7 Pearman Drive

18/3/16 Emails to Parish Council re objections to planning at 7 Pearman Drive.

April 2016 Notice of Commemorative Medals for sale for Schools and Councils for HM Elizabeth II 90th Birthday.

April 2016 Letter from anon re fence on Whiteley Close / possible extension of boundary.

11/4/16 Email from Elaine Barnes re glass on Horses' Meadow. Clerk to write follow-up letter to Elaine Barnes to confirm that glass had been cleared up.

April 2016 Letter from The Pensions Regulator re The Law on Workplace Pensions. Clerk to look at duties checker to make sure PC is doing what is required.

7.2 Correspondence Sent

10/4/16 Letter of representation to Simon Drinkwater EHC re Application 3/15/1080/FUL.

14/4/16 Letter to Lovely Day Productions re car parking fee.

7.3 Late Post

None.

8. INSURANCE RENEWAL - ZURICH INSURANCE

The Parish Council agreed to renew the Insurance Policy with Zurich but decided that next year it would be a good idea to do a review of insurance providers.

9. RECEIVE NOTICE OF ANY OTHER BUSINESS AND TO DEAL WITH THOSE MATTERS IF APPROPRIATE.

Village Lunch

JM proposed that the Parish Council could donate a sum of money towards the Village Lunch so that people providing food weren't out of pocket. All were in agreement with this and KW proposed a sum of £200. All agreed with this amount.

Fencing

KW pointed out that the fence in the field at the top of Gladstone Road was trampled over. He queried who was responsible for this. Clerk to investigate.

KW felt that the fencing in Horses' Meadow up to Whempstead Road, needed a tidy up and suggested that quotes should be sort to do this.

HAPTC

JP queried whether the PC should renew the HAPTC subscription. After some discussion it was agreed to cancel it subject to them coming back with a more reasonable subscription amount.

Agenda Items for May

JP asked for the following to be included in next months Agenda: Common Land and the replacement or otherwise of the igloo climbing frame on Horses' Meadow.

10. TO CONSIDER MATTERS ARISING FROM PARISHIONERS.

None.

The meeting was brought to a close at 8.05 pm and was followed by the APM.

The next meeting will be held on
Thursday 19th May 2016 at Little Munden Village Hall, at 8.00 pm.

Signed _____ **Date** _____
Chairman