

LAVENDON PARISH COUNCIL



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Minutes of the Monthly meeting of Lavendon Parish Council held on Monday 11th January 2021

Present: Cllrs Steve Axtell (Chairman), Ann Kelcey, Martino Ginepro, Michelle Ramsden, Mick Rutherford, Karyn Martynski, Lou O'Boyle
Jane Brushwood, Clerk

Ward Councillors: Cllr McLean and Hosking

0 members of public present

1. **Welcome and apologies for Absence** – The Chair welcomed those present at the zoom meeting of the council, apologies for absence were received from Peter Geary.
2. **The minutes of the meeting** of 14th December 2020 were confirmed and signed.
3. **Declaration of Interests on Agenda Items** – none
4. **Public Question Time** – none present
5. **Ward Councillors Report** – Keith McLean reported that MKC budget looked set to increase by the recommended 2.5%.
Olney Ward is at the bottom of the list on the covid table, hopefully it will stay that way.
Emberton Park was heaving at the weekend but is still open.
The Ward Councillors budget is available to share across the wards.
Keith has been in discussion with MKC with reference to the Old School root damage, they are in the process of getting quotes.
6. **Finance Report** –
 - a. Payments and receipts during December 2020 were presented and approved.
 - b. no purchases for approval requested.
 - c. Scrutinising volunteer Karyn
 - d. Budget and precept – it was agreed unanimously not to increase the Parish precept.

7. Other Ongoing Issues:

a. Landscaping – Martino and Darren have planted the trees at the Community Orchard, the shrubs will be delivered towards the end of January.

b. Planning – Clerk, Steve, Keith, Ashish Patel, technical specialist and Nick Hannon Head of Environment met to discuss the way forward for the flooding issues, they are commissioning a plan for report by end February 2021. The 14 house application will not increase the risk but new development is not expected to solve existing problem. Community Resilience is looking to the community to identify the risk to people and property so services can be directed. We are not experts and are not happy to accept “the buck”, will hold a monthly meeting with MKC for updates and keep residents updated.

With reference to the drain over the brook at the Olney Road site, clerk to seek update from Planning. Comments are needed to respond to the application at Harrold Road.

c. Cemetery – nothing to report

d. Pavilion – nothing to report

e. Allotments – a small plot is being reserved for the school.

f. The Old School – discussed under item 5

g. NAG/Parish Forum – nothing to report

h. Members Matters –

Ann expressed her thanks to Martino and all involved in Planting the Community Orchard

Michelle reported that the problems at the Copse have been resolved with the school.

8. For Information – the next Monthly Meeting is 8th February 2021.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm

Signed: Chairman

Dated: