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# LAVENDON PARISH COUNCIL



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Minutes of the Monthly meeting of Lavendon Parish Council held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2021

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

**Ward Councillors:** Cllr McLean

0 members of public present

1. **To elect a Chairman** – Steve Axtell was proposed by Mick Rutherford and seconded by Ann Kelcey, Steve accepted the nomination.
2. **To receive a Statutory Declaration of Office** – to be signed
3. **Welcome and apologies for Absence** – The Chairman welcomed those present at the meeting of the council, apologies for absence were received from Karyn Martynski, Cllrs Hosking and Geary.
4. **To elect a Vice Chairman** – Ann Kelcey was proposed by Mick Rutherford and seconded by Michelle Ramsden, Ann accepted the nomination.
5. **To elect representatives to the following areas**
  - a. **School Governor** – Michelle Ramsden
  - b. **Village Hall Committee** – Lou O'Boyle
  - c. **Allotments** – Ann Kelcey
  - d. **Olney Ward Forum** – Steve Axtell and Mick Rutherford
  - e. **Parishes Forum** - Steve Axtell and Ann Kelcey
  - f. **Publicity** – Steve Axtell
6. **To Adopt the Standing Orders** - it was agreed to continue to adopt the Standing Orders
7. **To approve the council's bank Mandates** – currently clerk, Michelle, Steve and Ann are signatories but only clerk and Michelle have access to on-line banking.
8. **The minutes of the meeting** of 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021 were confirmed and signed with one alteration.
9. **Declaration of Interests on Agenda Items** – none

**10. Public Question Time** – none present

**11. Ward Councillors Report** – Keith thanked Ann for highlighting the incorrect bus timetable, this should be changed soon. DRT still has problems with the phone-in service but the app is working well. Child poverty was mentioned last meeting and Keith thanked Steve for highlighting that we were unaware of it, they are looking at ways to offer to a lot more people by inviting councillors to participate via zoom. The elections secured the conservatives 24 places in MKC, a majority of 29 is required so they will be discussing working together with other parties and will have an update by next meeting. The EW expressway has halted, the railway is going ahead with major works in progress at Bletchley, the housing is unknown, it's hoped to know a bit more soon. Moving of the War Memorial was discussed, worry for the safety of residents during the Remembrance Day service and for the structure itself being in a very vulnerable position. Concern for the house at 6 Northampton Road as Highways have not upheld their complaint for the repair that was badly done. Keith is on the case.

**12. Finance Report** –

- a. Payments and receipts during April 2021 were presented and approved.
- b. Purchases for approval requested - none.
- c. Scrutinising volunteer Lou.

**13. Other Ongoing Issues:**

- a. **Landscaping including Flooding** – the monthly “meeting” with MKC did not happen. Ashish Patel did a walkabout with clerk and Keith. A meeting was held with affected residents to form part of the investigation with Martin from DSA for a fact-finding mission. WSP are reviewing the 2016 report, results should be in by end June 2021.
- b. **Planning** – nothing to report.
- c. **Cemetery** – nothing to report.
- d. **Pavilion** – nothing to report, review of pre-school rent to be undertaken.
- e. **Allotments** – nothing to report.
- f. **The Old School** – the root barrier should be installed during May half term.
- g. **NAG/Parish Forum** – nothing to report.
- h. **Members Matters** – Ann - the litter picking event 24<sup>th</sup> April was poorly attended, it was hoped that momentum would see a better turnout at future dates.

**14. For Information** – the next Monthly Meeting is 14<sup>th</sup> June 2021.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm

Signed: ..... Chairman

Dated: .....