

Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Monday 10th December 2018 at 19:30pm in the Parish Office, Great Linford House, 1 St Leger Court, Great Linford, Milton Keynes, MK14 5HA.

Present: Councillors Bedford (Chair), Burgess, El-Zamek, Heale, Hyacinth, Macaulay, Maclean, Neate, Omole, Phillips, Stabler, Whelan and Widdowson.

Also present: Parish Manager. Cllr Crooks presented his apologies for arriving late.

1. **Apologies** were received and accepted from Cllr Chowdhury (working) and Cllr Foskett (unwell). Cllr Crooks presented his apologies for arriving late.
2. **Declaration of Members' Interests** – None raised
3. **Minutes of the previous meeting** held on 28th November 2018 were accepted as a true record of the meeting. This was proposed by Cllr Heale, seconded by Cllr Hyacinthe and voted as: 12 for, 0 against, 1 abstention.
4. **Matters Arising** – None
5. **Public Question Time** – None
6. **Planning**
 - 6.1. Report on Planning Application Progress was provided by Cllr Stabler and noted.
 - 6.2. Memorandum to Cllrs on all planning applications
 - 6.2.1. **18/02872/FUL** **20 Boulters Lock, Giffard Park** **No objection**
was proposed by Cllr Stabler, but it was agreed that GLPC should advise the Planning Officer to note that the materials do not match the existing dwelling and request that this taken to consideration. This was seconded by Cllr Burgess and was agreed by all.
 - 6.2.2. **18/02453/FUL** **8 Warmington Gardens, Downhead Park** **No objection**
was proposed by Cllr Stabler, seconded by Cllr Neate and agreed by all.

7. Budget and Precept Calculations for 2019 / 20

Following comments and information about the budget previously circulated, an updated budget with precept requirements was circulated by the Parish Manager at the meeting. This took in to account the increases to utility bills and provisions of the Great Linford Tennis Club discount.

- 7.1. Head Office – Cllr Neate proposed that the budget for this function be agreed. This was seconded by Cllr Heale and all agreed. It was noted that the Section 137 grants are not easily identified and should be reworded to include the word “grants”.
- 7.2. GLPC Facilities – Cllr Neate proposed that the budget for the GLPC Facilities be agreed. This was seconded by Cllr Burgess and all agreed.
- 7.3. Community Programme – After several discussions pertaining to the clarification of some activities scope, Cllr Neate proposed that the budget for this function be agreed. This was seconded by Cllr Heale and agreed by all.
- 7.4. Transfer to Earmarked Reserves (EMR) – After several discussions about clarifying wording, Cllr Neate proposed that the budget for this function be agreed. This was seconded by Cllr Heale and agreed by all.

Cllr Crooks arrived at 20:28.

- 7.4.1. Cllr Widdowson raised the concern that there is no provision currently for the Marsh Drive car park, either for general maintenance or the complete re-laying of the carpark. As this has been deferred for over a year, Cllr Widdowson proposed that £7k should be precepted and the monies placed in the EMR account for Marsh Drive. This was seconded by Cllr Whelan and voted as: 10 for, 0 against and 4 abstentions.

Agenda items 7.5 to 7.10 were discussed as a group as it was felt that an isolated decision on each item could not be made. There were many discussion points and after some time the following proposals and amendments were made.

7.5. LCTR Grant Provision

Cllr Neate proposed that a provision of £6k should be made towards the LCTR grant reduction to reduce the precept impact in future years. This was seconded by Cllr Burgess. NOT CARRIED

Cllr Stabler proposed an amendment to this motion that the £6k provision towards the LCTR grant reduction should be made from General Reserves and an EMR account set up for this purpose. This amendment was seconded by Cllr Omole and voted as: 8 for, 5 against and 1 abstention. RESOLVED

7.6. Marsh Drive Redevelopment

Cllr Bedford proposed that the estimated project costs for Marsh Drive should be removed but an increase of £5k for additional Project Support Officer time should be included. NOT CARRIED

Cllr Stabler made an amendment to this proposal, proposing that there should be no additional funding to the project in 19/20. The EMR account for this project should be used to fund any further works. The aim of these works is to finalise the business plan for Milton Keynes Council to enable any S106 monies to be awarded. If more money is required, it should come from General Reserves or disinvestment of the CCLA fund. This was seconded by Cllr Omole and voted as: 11 for, 2 against and 1 abstention. RESOLVED

7.7. Thatched Barn Provision

Cllr Neate proposed that provision of £13k should be made for the structural works required on the High Street Thatched Barn. Monies would be obtained from the disinvestment of the CCLA fund. Council were asked to note that this would reduce the income received from the fund. This was seconded by Cllr Heale. NOT CARRIED

Cllr Stabler proposed an amendment to this motion that the £13k provisions for the structural works required on the High Street Thatched Barn should be made from General Reserves. This money should be added to the Thatched Barn EMR account. This was seconded by Cllr Omole and voted as: 11 for, 1 against and 2 abstentions. RESOLVED

7.8. Marsh Drive Car Park Provision – This proposal was made and agreed previously in item 7.4.1.

7.9. Future Marsh Drive Refurbishment Provision – No proposal made.

7.10. Disinvestment of CCLA Fund – No direct proposal made.

Resolutions Pertaining to the Overall Budget and Precept Requirements

Having considered the elements above, the following resolutions were tabled:

- a. Cllr Maclean proposed that a Band D property charge of £62.14 should be agreed as this would yield a precept of £385,531. This would fund the budget previously discussed and agreed. Any gap between budget and precept would be funded from General Reserves. This was seconded by Cllr Whelan and voted as: 5 for, 8 against and 1 abstention. NOT CARRIED
- b. Cllr Maclean proposed that an increase to the precept of 2% (£393,241 precept and £63.38 band D equivalent charge) should be agreed. The gap between budget and precept would be funded from General Reserves. This was seconded by Cllr Whelan and voted as: 5 for, 8 against and 1 abstention. NOT CARRIED

The Chair summarised that the budget had been considered, individual proposals to budget items had been discussed and voted on and the funding arrangements for these items agreed. The financial implications on the budget and precept required had been amended during the meeting and shown on the screen for the whole Council. The Chair asked Council to consider the precept as shown.

- c. Cllr Stabler requested that the vote should be recorded.
- d. Cllr Heale proposed that the amended budget as shown and updated at the meeting should be agreed. This provides a precept of £400,263 and a Band D property calculation of £64.51. The vote was taken and recorded as:

For:	Cllrs Burgess, Crooks, El-Zamek, Heale, Macaulay, Neate, Phillips, Widdowson (8)	
Against:	Cllrs Hyacinthe, Omole, Maclean, Stabler, Whelan (5)	
Abstention	Cllr Bedford (1)	RESOLVED

8. Parishes Forum

- 8.1. Cllrs Hyacinthe and Phillips agreed to attend the Parishes Forum on 13th December. They will provide feedback on the main discussions at the next GLPC Full Council meeting.

9. The following forthcoming Full Council meetings were confirmed:

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| 9.1. | Wednesday 19 th December 2018 | Full Council Meeting – Business |
| 9.2. | Monday 14 th January 2018 | Full Council Meeting – Topic |
| 9.3. | Wednesday 30 th January 2018 | Full Council Meeting – Business |

The meeting was closed at 21:35.

Chair _____

Date _____