

You are summoned to attend the meeting of the Parish Council to be held on Wednesday 26th October 2016, at 7.30pm at the Parish Office, Great Linford House, 1 St Leger Court, Great Linford, MK14 5HA.

Agenda

Cllrs are asked to agree the Chair for the meeting as Cllr Panes will be on holiday.

1. Apologies

2. Declaration of members' interests

3. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 10th October 2016.

4. Matters arising from previous minutes or uncompleted actions to be presented to the Parish Manager before 12 noon the day before the meeting on the above date. These will be circulated to Cllrs.

4.1. A Strategy for Meeting Statutory Housing Need - Cllr Stabler has reviewed the information relating to the MKC strategy. A summary report is provided and it is recommended that in relation to MKC's desire to "*work with partners to identify premises and resources for a drop in centre for homeless people to access a wide range of help and advice, including from Council services and other statutory partners such as health services, drug and alcohol teams*" GLPC may wish to consider actively pursue this partnership. This activity complements the GLPC strategic aim "to commission services and facilitation partnerships that will benefit the community" and also mirrors the work being done within the community events programme.

5. Public Question Time – the meeting will be adjourned for an agreed time by the Chair for the public to ask questions about agenda items.

6. Finance

6.1. Monthly Payments and Finance report - Cllrs are asked to agree the payments for the month of October as well as review and agree the finance report.

6.2. Grant - Cllrs are asked to agree the proposal from Cllr Stabler regarding the application from the Friends of Linford Lakes Nature Reserve for a grant of £250 for the purchase of equipment. Additional information has been provided from the group as requested at a previous meeting.

6.3. Local Government Finance Settlement - information and a summary regarding the Government consultations on Parish precepts and Business rates has been provided. Cllrs are asked to note the information, table any further questions they have regarding this information for consideration at the budget discussion set for 14th November.

Cllrs are also asked to consider the questions raised within the Consultations and the proposal from the National Association of Local Councils which asks members to oppose the Government's proposals as outlines. If Council are minded to agree with NALC then

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the PM will complete the survey as required and reply to DCLG by 28th October. A summary from Cllr Stabler, information from MKC and from NALC is provided.

- 6.4. Marsh Drive – Cllr Stabler proposed acceptance of the recommendation that metal doors are fitted at the pavilion to prevent further vandalism. Total costs will be approx. £5k. PM will report on costings relating to the additional security protection after further discussions with the Crime Prevention officer. Quotation and report is available.
- 6.5. Unity bank – Unity Bank has notified GLPC that there is no longer any “free banking”. The charge will now be £41 per quarter. Research was conducted less than a year ago to find a new bank that allowed Cllrs to electronically review and authorise transactions, which then complied with the Financial Regulations. It is proposed that GLPC remains with Unity Bank for the foreseeable future. This is proposed by Cllr Widdowson as Lead Cllr for Finance.
- 6.6. Insurance – as per the annual risk assessment the GLPC insurance policy has been reviewed. Certain aspects have been reviewed and Council are asked to consider these. A memorandum outlines these areas and Cllrs are asked consider the recommendations.
- 6.7. Prepaid cards - for office use. The Alto card previously used by the Parish Manager and Parish Ranger has been withdrawn. Alternatives have been sourced and a report provides the necessary information for Cllrs to make a decision as to which card they wish to provide for staff usage on Parish business.

7. Governance

7.1. Internal Scrutiny - brief report from Cllr Bedford.

8. **Community & Correspondence** – none.

9. **Projects** – no reports.

10. **Planning** - Cllr Stabler.

10.1. Report on Planning Progress

10.1.1. Linford Lakes – DLP meeting dates have been requested and an invite to meet will be sent to Cllrs once this has been confirmed.

10.2. Memorandum to councillors

10.2.1. 16/02787/FUL 25 Cornbury Crescent, Downhead Park, MK15 9AR. Erection of garage and play area retrospective.

10.2.2. 16/02816/CLUP 25 Mullen Avenue, Downs Barn, MK14 7LJ. Certificate of lawfulness for the proposed enclosing of an existing car port to form a habitable room.

10.2.3. 16/02705/FUL Laura Ashley, Yeomans Drive, Blakelands, MK14 5LZ. Replacement of existing fence.

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11. To agree the next meetings

- 11.1. Full Council Meeting - 14th November – budget principles
- 11.2. Full Council Meeting - 30th November
- 11.3. Full Council meeting - date to be agreed

Date 20/10/16

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Only items listed on this agenda will be discussed. If you have comments about any other subject please contact the Parish Manager parish.manager@great-linford.gov.uk or ring the office on 01908 606613

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