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## MINUTES of the Meeting held on Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at Ashbrook School at 7.40pm

**Present:** Cllrs S. Galbraith (Chair), D. Lewis, B Johnston, T. Holland and N. Lategan. No residents.  
Clerk: J. Vischer

1. **Apologies** – None
2. **Public Open Forum** – None
3. **Approval of April Minutes, and any Matters Arising not covered below** –
  - 3.1. The April minutes were approved as a true record. Proposer Cllr Lewis, Seconder Cllr Lategan. Unanimous.
  - 3.2. The newly revamped reporting system did not have the more convenient 'app' version for mobile phones because MKC had decided that website or email access as before was sufficient. Councillors noted that this ran contrary to the modern trend in electronic communication.
4. **Declarations of Interest in any of the following items** – Cllr Galbraith for any Party in the Park matters.
5. **Parish Council newsletter next edition** – The Chair reported that the next issue was on target for the end of May. [Articles to include – footpaths, footbridges, benches, five-a-side goal proposal, YMCA sleepover, Granpart charity, flagging-up waste recycling depots].  
It was agreed that the week after publication the newsletter to appear on the Friends of TMA Facebook Page.  
It was agreed to add the 'Report it' email link.
6. **Anti-social behaviour issues** – Fly-tipping around Norbrek had quietened down following a letter to all nearby residents from MK Council.  
A Parish Council dog bin had been incinerated in between meetings (DB01) by Fairways. It had been agreed by email to replace the bin at the quoted cost of £130 from the dog waste contractor.  
A stolen car (Mercedes) had collided with a tree following a reckless drive scraping a parked vehicle before crashing into a house. It was not known if the vandals had been apprehended.
7. **Friends of Two Mile Ash Page** – a passionate debate had been unwittingly ignited by the chief administrator Cllr Galbraith regarding administrative control of the site; following which 3 'friends' had to be blocked from the site. It was agreed that not living in the parish did not bar 'followers' from joining Friends of TMA Facebook Page.
8. **New Fault / Project Log** – There were no updates on most issues.
  - 8.1. The previous MKC reference numbers/faults from the old system had still not yet been copied over to the new system; after two months this had all the hallmarks of not ever happening.
  - 8.2. 'Green field' between Downland and Clay Hill Five-a-side goals – The installer had proposed using spiral anchors nearly 3' long to bind the posts to the ground which he had used before and found to be satisfactory. It was agreed to go with this spec and the clerk would now order the goal posts and instruct the installer to use 3 anchors per goal. Proposer Cllr Galbraith, Seconder Cllr Johnston. Unanimous.

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- 8.3. Cllr Lewis reported that the footbridge contractor had gone into liquidation and as far as he knew MKC had not yet appointed another.

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## 9. Finance

- 9.1. Cheques for authorisation & Balances

<i>Chq</i>				
<i>No.</i>	<i>To Whom</i>		<i>gross</i>	VAT
937	J Vischer - salary		465.68	
938	Marcus Young - April, 1485		153.00	25.50
939	J Vischer - admin		26.60	
940	K Galbraith - P in P expenses		<u>161.93</u>	
Total			807.21	

The first tranche of the precept had been received - £7,533  
Available funds at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016: £40,208

- 9.2. External Audit form to sign off – the figures were discussed and approved. Proposer Cllr Galbraith, Seconder Cllr Lewis. Unanimous.
- 9.3. Internal Audit arrangements - as per previous years it was agreed to continue with the clerks' network for internal auditing (involving four parish councils).

## 10. Planning Applications -

### *Previous (for update)*

16/00648/FUL 39 Leafield Rise Two Mile Ash Demolition of existing garage and conservatory and construction of a two storey side and single storey rear extension. *Application permitted*

16/00773/FUL 2 Cavenham Two Mile Ash Single storey side extension. *Pending*

16/00963/FUL 4 Church Hill Two Mile Ash Single storey front extension. *Pending*

**NEW** – 16/01026/FUL 35 Milesmere Two Mile Ash, Single storey rear and side extension. No objections.

16/00967/FUL Ashbrook School The High Street, Erection of sculpted aluminium tree approximately 2.5 metres high at entrance to school. No objections.

16/01066/FUL 84 Clay Hill Two Mile Ash, Conversion of garage to form habitable living accommodation including the removal of a garage door and a single storey front extension (resubmission of 16/00083/FUL). No objections.

## 11. Correspondence and Grant requests (other than circulated via email) –

Parks Trust Calendar of Events; Open Spaces survey of historic routes; Fields in Trust Centenary Fields Programme. It was agreed to pursue the latter and submit the 'green field' space (*above*) to the World War 1 commemorative scheme as a potential Centenary Field.

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**Grants** – The Robins Children's Centre had withdrawn their request for a grant as the organisation would no longer be holding sessions in the Two Mile Ash Annexe.

## 12. Other Meetings and New Items

12.1. No reports from any outside meetings at the N.A.G or the W.E.A.

12.2. The Chairs Report to the annual Parish Meeting had summarised the successes of the year notably: the ever-increasing following on the Friends of TMA Facebook Page – now at 736; the steady increase in Twitter followers – now at 60; the introduction of a parish logo courtesy of pupils at TMA School and Cllr Lategan; the new newsletter which has been well received now at Issue 6; similarly provision of the

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popular new play sessions with MKPA; the heavy pruning and removal of diseased trees protected by Tree Preservation Orders by the allotment entrance; the provision and continual emptying of dog bins across the parish; the associated trial of the visual 'No dog waste' stencils painted on to the pavement and redways; and administratively: the retaining of the precept at last year's very modest level and the recent introduction of the 'environmental' Fault and Project Log to monitor and track easily all the issues with MKC, that often take an interminable time to resolve.

- 12.3. Cllr Johnston referred back to an email communication from SaferMK, which had invited councillors to contribute to a survey. He proposed that it might be a useful forum for tackling the anti-social behaviour issues. It was agreed that Cllr Johnston make contact and enquire as to the nature of the group.

**Cllr Johnston**

- 12.4. Cllr Lewis promoted the idea of further grit bins providing MKC was willing to provide them. Clerk to enquire.

**Clerk**

- 12.5. The Chair suggested purchasing of a projector and laptop to pursue the Parish Council 'paperless' policy. It was agreed that the clerk should investigate costs.

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- 12.6. It was agreed that, as yet again the chairs and tables had not been put out for the meeting, the Parish Council would research alternative meeting venues. Clerk to contact TMA School and the Church, Cllr Johnston to research Church of Jesus Christ and the Latter Day Saints.

**Clerk/ Cllr Johnston**

13. **Date and Time of Next Meeting** – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2016 at 7.30pm at Ashbrook School.  
Then 21<sup>st</sup> July 2016

The meeting closed at 9.00pm

Signed

Date