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Draft Minutes of 13th July 2016 Meeting

Date & Time:	Wednesday 13 th July 2016 at 7:30pm
Venue:	Ranmore Room
Chair:	David Ireland (DI)
Councillors:	Jane Brown (JB), Judith Kinloch (JK), Graham Clark (GC), Will Dennis(WD), Andrew McNaughton (AM)
Clerk:	Trevor Haylett

No.	Item
1	<p>Opening Formalities</p> <p>(463) Apologies were received from David Ottridge (DO) and MVDC Councillor Duncan Irvine.</p> <p>(464) Declaration of Interest – None</p> <p>(465) The Minutes of the meeting held on 11th May 2016 were approved and signed – proposed by AM, seconded by GC.</p>
2	<p>Finance & Formalities</p> <p>(466) With DO incapacitated, his wife Mari presented the financial figures. The following retrospective payments (sent June 15th) were approved: £360 – King’s Landscapes (April mowing); £106.20 – Mulberry & Co (Internal Audit). Additional payments were also agreed – £360 King’s Landscapes (May mowing); £316.80 – Hedleys Solicitors; £240 – King’s Landscapes (June mowing); £66 – Zoll Medical (Pedi-Padz); £5.94 - Clerk backdated salary increase.</p> <p>(467) The bank reconciliation was agreed.</p> <p>(468) The recommendation from the Internal Auditor was that there were funds in the account that should be spent. Options for expenditure included improving the footpath over the Recreation Ground and making good the end of Dell Close at its junction with Old London Road. However there was a question mark over the ownership of this section and it was agreed that DI would research the situation and speak to former chairman Richard Roberts-Miller.</p>
3	<p>Matters arising from the Minutes</p> <p>(469) JK gave an update on the ‘i’ missing from the Mickleham sign near the Burford Bridge. She said that she has talked to Andy Bullen about it and the job is in-hand.</p>
4	<p>Open Forum</p> <p>(470) AM raised the situation of Val Selwood who was not able to make a contribution towards the cost of resurfacing Byttom Hill and has been excluded from the works. He said it was a concern because her property is now at risk in heavy rain because the water would not drain away. Action: It was agreed that DI would talk to Graham Scambler, chairman of the Residents Association, about the matter.</p>
5	<p>Community Police Report</p> <p>(471) Concern was expressed about the lack of police attendance at the Parish Council meetings and also the absence of any email outlining the latest crime figures for the community. The Clerk explained that it appeared the police had decided they could no longer send representatives to parish council meetings and instead were referring inquiries to a new website containing a map which detailed crimes in different areas. However this information was not particularly up to date.</p>

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	<p>Action: JB will email David Sadler to find out what the situation is while DI agreed to distribute the emails he receives about crimes committed in the Mole Valley area.</p>
6	<p>Cycling document</p> <p>(472) WD had previously circulated a letter that he suggested sending to cycle clubs, welcoming them on local roads but requesting that they followed sensible guidelines. AM said the problem was not local riders but those visiting from further afield. He added that there was a need to engage with the cycling community more and maybe to have a united front with other parish councils.</p> <p>Action: It was agreed that AM would write to SCC, MVDC and RideLondon outlining the concerns among residents over the behaviour of some cyclists and to explore ways of engaging with other parish councils, authorities and cycling clubs to positively address those concerns.</p>
7	<p>Broadband</p> <p>(473) WD said that Surrey County Council were still of the view that EU approval was needed for the state aid funding of the Next Generation Access infrastructure and added that in the light of Brexit it was unlikely to happen quickly.</p>
8	<p>Playground refurbishment</p> <p>(474) DI explained that the work on the new playground was due to begin on July 25th and that the Playground Trustees had agreed to site a toilet and a skip in a fenced-off area of the Recreation Ground. The equipment would be stored in the car park of the Village Hall on the understanding that it would be removed by the time of the bluegrass festival which is taking place on August 4th.</p> <p>There had been a delay with the new lease for the playground and the Clerk was asked to chase the solicitor over it.</p>
9	<p>Planning</p> <p>(475) AM explained that the Ilex Trees application had been refused. No objections were raised by the Parish Council to other applications.</p>
10	<p>Vestry</p> <p>(476) JK said it was clear that for the Annual Parish Meeting the Ranmore Room was not a suitable location. It was agreed that an alternative venue of the Village Hall would be explored for that meeting.</p>
11	<p>Additional Matters</p> <p>(477) DI read out a letter from Carbon Smart, a company offering grant funding for a renewable energy feasibility study of up to £20,000. It was decided not to take up the offer as it was felt the possibilities were not suitable for the Mickleham area.</p>
12	<p>Future meetings</p> <p>The date of the next meeting is Wednesday 14th September 2016.</p>

The meeting closed at 8:48pm