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Minutes of the Mickleham Parish Council Meeting held at 7.30pm on 12 July 2023

Venue	Ranmore Room, St Michael's Church		
Chair	David Ireland (DI)		
Councillors Present	Graham Clark (GC)	Will Dennis (WD)	
	David Ottridge (DO)	John Lowes (JL)	
	Andrew McNaughton (AM)	Gill Wilson (GW)	
Clerk	Feena Graham (FG)		
Attending	District Cllr Leah Mursaleen-Plank		
Members of the Community	None		

Item No		Action:
1	(1/07/23) Opening Formalities	
	DI welcomed Gill Wilson to her first council meeting following her appointment as a Parish Councillor.	
	1.1 Apologies for absence: County Cllr Hazel Watson (Hols) David Sadler (unavailable)	
	1.2 Declarations of Interest/Requests for Dispensations None declared for this meeting.	
	1.3 Agree the Minutes of the Meeting held on 23 May 2023  Minutes were approved by Councillors, with typo amendment and duly signed by the Chair.	
	<ul> <li>1.4 Chair's Comments</li> <li>Details of the St Michael's Church ECO Group were outlined at the previous Annual Parish Meeting and the ECO Group have now erected signs in the churchyard outlining the work being carried out in that area.</li> <li>In reference to the query that was raised as to who owns the Recreational Grounds: it was confirmed the land was held in a trust and MPC is the Trustee.</li> <li>In reference to Anne Weaver's email regarding the cutting of the verges along the A24 being a safety issue, the Councillors agreed to raise this with Highways and AM agreed to draft a letter on behalf of the MPC.</li> </ul>	AM
2	<ul> <li>(2/7/23) Open Forum</li> <li>2.1 Liaison between Surrey Police and Mickleham Parish Council</li> <li>Periodic Police Report – 15 March to 12 July was circulated in advance.</li> <li>Dave Sadler was unable to attend.</li> </ul>	
	2.2 Public Questions  AM had invited the new owners of Ryka's Café to come tonight's meeting.  Unfortunately, AM had received no reply. It was hoped they might attend a future meeting.	

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3	(3/07/23) Finance & Formalities		
	6.1 Approve Accounts for Payments Retrospective payments are:  £283.20 - NJL BoxGreen for Recreational Grounds Mowing in May. £540.00 - Andrew Clark for Recreation Path Maintenance. £380.00 - Andrew Clark for Footpath Maintenance.		
	New Payments  £424.80 - NJL BoxGreen for Recreational Grounds Mowing in June £200.88 - Refund to Clerk for purchases made for the Coronation Event (against a grant received from Mole Valley) £182.53 - Refund to the Clerk for payment of UK web and Zoom Monthly January to June 2023.  All Councillors agreed and three cheques were signed for payment.		
	3.2 Agree Bank Reconciliation  The bank reconciliation up to the 05 June 2023 had been circulated and was approved by all and signed by the Chair.  The current bank balance after all agreed payments is: £6607.99.		
4	(4/7/23) Planning		
	<ul> <li>AM reported on:</li> <li>Certificate of Lawfulness for Mole Cottage resubmitted.</li> <li>Extension submitted for Swallows Hill, Fredley.</li> </ul>		
5	(5/07/23) Reports from Working Group		
	5.1 Norbury Park Working Group  JL asked if anyone could attend the next meeting to be held tomorrow 13 <sup>th</sup> July, as he couldn't.  Leah Mursaleen-Plank agreed to follow up with the other 2 District Councillors.  GW reported that some of the properties were up for sale and that they had been	Leah Mursale en-Plank	
200	no local publicity or sale boards. DI asked if these issues could be raised at tomorrow's meeting to get a definite idea of the plans in place.		
6	Leah Mursaleen-Plank left the meeting at 8.07pm.  (6/7/23) Councillor Vacancy		
	DI reiterated, as in the welcome statement earlier, that GW had been appointed as a new Councillor for MPC following an interview with himself and GC/DO. Following discussions with GW, she has agreed to look after the Asset Checks which fall under the Councillor's Responsibilities.	GW	

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7	(7/7/22) Traffic 9 Darking 9 Noice	1		
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	7.1 Speedwatch Group Update  Angela Ireland had forward details of the group's recent work. Two Speedwatch sessions were completed, one in June and the other in July. On two occasions motorbikes were caught speeding but they were unable to register either of their as they could not read the full number plate at the speed they travelled. This prove to be tricky due to the fact motorbikes do not have any front numberplates. However, the Speedwatch group will continue with their work. A few cars were registered over the speed limited, with one travelling at 46mph.			
	7.2 VAS Readings  VAS Reading from SCC were received and forwarded earlier to the Councillors.  The readings were discussed in conjunction with the Speedwatch Group information.			
8	(8/7/23) Chair/Clerk's Forum Updates			
	<ul> <li>Clerks Forum 19 June – not attended due to holidays – no information sent through.</li> <li>Chairs Forum 21 June – not attended due to holidays - no information sent through.</li> </ul>			
	DI confirmed that Anne Bolt, the current CEO of NALC will be stepping down in September. Sally Harman is to take up the position following a brief handover period with Anne.			
9	(9/7/23) Urgent Items received by the Chair.			
	<ul> <li>It was noted that the notification of the 3-night Road Closure of Old London Road, from 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> July had not started on Monday as scheduled.</li> <li>WD has forwarded his email responses to the other Cllrs.</li> <li>Cllrs agreed that the communications had been poor and no proper contacts were available for up-to-date information.</li> </ul>	-		
	<ul> <li>DI reported that the picnic bench in the Recreation Ground needed replacing and suggested that it be purchased to commemorate the King's Coronation. Clerk to source costings.</li> </ul>	Clerk		
303	<ul> <li>The Bus Shelter has been damaged by a recent collision and requires some replacement tiles. GC agreed to follow up.</li> </ul>	CG		
	<ul> <li>WD asked the MPC for approval to use the MPC website and email list to publicise raising funds to purchase equipment for Ukrainian troops. The total received to date is more than £5k. The matter was put to the vote and rejected by 5 votes to 1.</li> </ul>			

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	WD reported that he would set up a separate WhatsApp group to keep peopl informed of this Ukrainian appeal as there had been complaints on the existin Community WhatsApp regarding political content.		
	<ul> <li>The Clerk updated the meeting with the costing for the Waste Bag Dispenser and signage requested. Clerk to go back and check if the signage wording can be changed before the order can be placed. Cllrs agreed to £378 +VAT for two dispensers to be bought. The erection of the posts will incur further cost. TBA after purchase.</li> </ul>	Clerk	
10	(10/7/23) Next Meetings:  Wednesday 13 September  Wednesday 08 November (inc. Children's Recreation Ground Trust Meeting)  Wednesday 10 January 2024  Wednesday 13 March 2024		

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