

HARDINGSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Finance and General Purposes Committee, Hardingstone Parish Council

Held on Wednesday 9th June, Parish Room, High Street, Hardingstone

Present: Chair Cllr M Keable, Cllr M Haines, Cllr Bob Jones, Cllr J Kerr, Cllr P Thomas, Clerk

Meeting Start: 7.30pm

6.	<p>Apologies</p> <p><i>Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972 requires a record be kept of the members present and that this record form part of the minutes of the meeting. Members who cannot attend a meeting should tender apologies to the Clerk as it is usual for the grounds upon which apologies are tendered also to be recorded. Under Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, members present must decide whether the reason(s) for a member's absence are acceptable.</i></p> <p>None received</p>
7.	<p>Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests</p> <p><i>Under the Parish Council's Code of Conduct, Members must declare any pecuniary interests not previously disclosed.</i></p> <p>None were disclosed.</p>
8.	<p>Public Time</p> <p>No public present</p>
9.	<p>To approve the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Meeting held on 27th April 2021</p> <p>The minutes were approved and signed.</p>
10.	<p>To receive update on leases</p> <p>Allotment leases should be ready to sign. Clerk to chase Allotment Association. Scout and Guide leases had been put on hold due to the Covid Pandemic. It was proposed that communications are opened again. There needs to be an agreement between both sides. There was a discussion about Public Liability. Clerk to contact Scouts and Guides.</p>
11	<p>To consider projects for use of reserves</p> <p>Cllr Keable suggested that a Capital Expenditure system is set up. It was agreed this would be useful. Cllr Keable to draft form. It was suggested that the council needed more earmarked reserves for any future works needed on trees in the village and other maintenance at the Rec. In the future there will need to be a fund for works in Cherry Orchard but there is 7 years mowing included in the transfer. It was agreed that the Rec is the main asset in the village and that there could be more funds spent there – new benches, picnic tables, table tennis table. It was also suggested that new notice boards are purchased rather than repairing. There could also be a survey to find out what those living in in the village would like to see. Ideas to be put to next full council</p>

Meeting closed at 8.35pm

Date of next meeting 14th July 2021