

**Harborough Magna Parish Council
Minutes of Meeting
of 12 June 2017 at
Early Birds Nursery School**

Present

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Cllr Ian Bentlett (IB)
Cllr Elizabeth Biggs Poyner (EBP)
Cllr Julia Antrobus (JA)
Cllr John Brady (JB)
Paul Skidmore (PS)
Leona Bendall (Clerk), Parish Clerk

These minutes were approved at the Parish Council meeting on 24 July 2017.
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Parishioners: Barry Biggs, Fenella France, Fiona McMahon

		Action
1.12.6.17	IB welcomed all to the meeting.	
2.12.6.17	<p>Apologies for absence</p> <p>Apologies had been received from Cllr Adrian Warwick who was the new County Councillor – he hopes to come to meetings in the future.</p>	
3.12.6.17	<p>Update from County and Borough Councillors</p> <p>Cllr Gillias said that Rugby Council was undertaking a number of Reviews – including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost effectiveness of Rugby Hall of Fame • Town Centre Heritage. <p>He advised that RBC will be holding a meeting on 21 June to consider the Local Plan – because of possible numbers of attendees and protestors the meeting has been moved to Benn Hall – provisional timing is 7pm.</p> <p>In answer to a question Cllr Gillias advised that he was not aware of any formal application for a new Service Station at J1 of M6. This was likely to be on Churchover side of the Motorway. Clerk to write to ensure planners are aware of our interest and keep us informed</p> <p>IB brought forward discussion on items 18b relating to expansion of Magna Park and the effect of the increased traffic on Fosse villages. IB made the point that it is essential that Harborough Magna and Rugby (through Cllr Gillias) have representation at the meeting – as its clear that Warwickshire is unlikely to assist villages. Cllr Gillias spoke about a meeting with WCC Highways Team at</p>	Clerk

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	<p>Rugby – when WCC spoke about a scheduled programme of works to be completed by 2031, and in his view this would not assist the issues now faced, which will only get worse. He recommended that the PC bring this to the attention of Cllr Warwick.</p> <p>JB then asked for Cllr Gillias for his view on the weight limit issues with Tuckey’s Bridge and the Canal and River Trust (CRT) and WCC Highways Team. John explained the complex response from CRT regarding measuring the weight limit but the end result is that rather than upgrading the bridge, WCC are planning to impose a permanent 10 ton weight limit. This will cause disruption to residents and businesses, including farms either side of the canal. This was discussed and it was agreed to follow Cllr Gillias advice and ask Cllr Warwick for his help.</p>	Clerk
4.12.6.17	<p>Suspension of standing orders to allow parishioners of Harborough Magna to address the meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Barry Biggs raised the issue of the broken bridge of a footpath which has led to a 6 month closure of the bridge until such time as WCC can effect the repairs. b. A green wheely bin has been dumped in Cathiron Lane 	Clerk
5.12.6.17	Standing orders were resumed	
6.12.6.17	<p>Declaration of Interest</p> <p>No declarations of interest</p>	
7.12.6.17	<p>Approval of minutes</p> <p>The minutes from the Annual and regular parish council meetings held on 8 May 2017 were approved</p>	
8.12.6.16	<p>Matters arising from the minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. One volunteer has come forward to upgrade BT box – IB will check what is happening. b. Signs advising of consequences of dog fouling have been removed by unknown persons c. Clerk advised that she had reported the request for help with speeding motorists through the village but as yet not had any response. d. Clerk advised that she had responded to the 	IB

	consultation on Coventry Airport on behalf of the PC.	
9.12.6.17	<p>New Village Issues.</p> <p>a. Some issues reported through the Fix MY Street website have been addressed, others including the verge markers outside EBP/IBs houses , pot holes in Montilo Lane have been waiting several months. Clerk to report again.</p> <p>b. PS reported the mail box in Easenhall Road has been spray painted black. This has previously been reported to the Post Office but clerk will try again to see if it can be cleaned up.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
10.12.6.17	<p>Parish Plan/OSCR Project</p> <p>a. Application submitted to Big Lottery Fund – awaiting outcome.</p>	
11.12.6.17	<p>RBC/WCC Fosse Community Forum and Walc update</p> <p>a. The meeting date for the next meeting has yet to be announced.</p>	
12.12.6.17	<p>Planning Applications & Appeals.</p> <p>a. Nothing to report.</p>	
13.12.6.17	<p>Neighbourhood Watch</p> <p>a. Nothing to report.</p>	
14.12.6.17	<p>Financial matters</p> <p>a. Councillors reviewed and approved the cash book figures for the year, which showed a provisional balance of just over £10,500 as at 12 June 17.</p> <p>b. Councillors approved the cheques signed at the meeting: £8 for room hire, £50 for stationery etc, £496 for clerk’s quarterly salary and £124 for HMRC. Prior to the meeting two cheques were written for £132 for the internal audit and £160 for WS Gardens.</p> <p>c. Clerk advised that she has been offered a price reduction from Aviva Insurance that she will consider once the renewal (1 September 2017) draws near.</p>	Clerk
15.12.6.17	Correspondence	

	a. Nothing to report	
16.12.6.17	<p>Other items:</p> <p>a. Expansion of Magna Park /A5 – discussed under item 3 above.</p> <p>b. Lengthsman – WS Gardens The meeting heard of the mistiming of the Lengthsman and RBC grass cuts – but that PS would now instruct a cut as soon as the RBC’s contractors has been and inform JB and the clerk. He would also take a view on the need to cut/strim other areas such as the verge.</p> <p>c. Monitoring and further improvement to playpark.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JB reported that there was nothing of concern in his monitoring and clerk advised a new sign on who to contact is now on display. • PS had contacted Pat Gamble and Malcom & Sarah Davis seeking their involvement in any new plans but they had not responded. PS would now contact Colin Horton at RBC, seeking his advice on on what might be achievable and ideas for grant funding opportunities. PS to report back 	<p>PS</p> <p>PS/JB</p> <p>PS</p>
17.12.6.17	<p>Items for next agenda</p> <p>a. Lengthsman scheme</p> <p>b. Magna Park redevelopment</p> <p>c. Playpark – monitoring and improvement plans</p>	
18.12.6.17	<p>Revised date of next meetings</p> <p>- Date of next meeting Monday 24 July 2017 – and subsequent Monday 11 September.</p>	
	Meeting closed at 8.38pm	

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Ian Bentlett, Chairman

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