

## Minutes of Great Gaddesden Parish Council Meeting

held at 7:30 pm on Tuesday 21 January 2025

at Gaddesden Row Village Hall

**Present:** C Griffin, M Griffin, G Halsey, R Hamilton, W Ristoff and C Turner

**In attendance:** R MacGillivray (Chair, Planning Working Party) and one member of the public.

| Agenda number | Agenda subject and action                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| 25/001        | <p><b>Apologies for absence</b> were received and accepted from Cllr Cosbie-Ross, and received from Borough Cllr Timmis and Cnty Cllr Douris.</p> <p>In the absence of Cllr Cosbie-Ross it was proposed that Cllr C Griffin chair the meeting. Agreed unanimously.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 25/002        | <p><b>Declaration of Interests</b> - none</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 25/003        | <p><b>Minutes</b></p> <p><b>Resolved</b> that the minutes of the meeting held on 18 November 2024 as circulated to members be signed as a correct record. Agreed unanimously.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 25/004        | <p><b>Public participation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Noted that there was a flow of liquid at the Gaddesden crossroads and agreed to ask Cllr Douris to investigate.</li><li>b. Noted that hedgerow appeared to have been removed near the Amaravati Woods but that if this was on farmland it was unlikely as it would have been contrary to Defra guidelines and could just have been hedgerow maintenance.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 25/005        | <p><b>Correspondence received</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. <b>St Margaret's</b> – noted that residents had written to Cllr Douris asking for the speed limit to be reduced to 20mph and that he had undertaken to investigate, noting the cost and that nothing was likely to happen before 2026/27, and that even then the lack of accidents made it unlikely. It was possible that the Monastery would cover the cost. The lack of 30mph signs past the entrance was noted.</li><li>b. <b>Local Government Boundary Commission: new draft electoral arrangements for DBC</b> – noted that no changes are proposed for Watling Ward.</li><li>c. <b>Devolution White Paper</b> – noted that the Government was consulting on possible changes to local councils.</li><li>d. <b>Planning application 24/0265/FUL</b> – noted that a complaint had been received regarding the Council's response to this application (see 25/009.b) and that changes had been made accordingly.</li><li>e. <b>East Hemel Community Engagement</b> – noted that the Clerk would attend Community Design Workshops on 29 and 30 January.</li></ul> |
| 25/006        | <p><b>Borough and County Councillor updates</b> - none</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

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| 25/007        | <b>Matters outstanding</b> (not covered elsewhere) - deferred                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |              |
| 25/008        | <b>Highways</b> - deferred                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |              |
| 25/009        | <b>Planning</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |              |
|               | a. <b>Past planning applications</b> – deferred.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |              |
|               | b. <b>Planning applications since the last meeting</b> – to note the following responses given under the Clerk’s delegated powers since the last meeting.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |              |
| 24/02625/FUL  | Land southeast of Woodlands, Noake Mill Lane, Water End                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Object       |
|               | Change of use of land to equestrian, construction of stable block with paddock                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |              |
| 24/02721/TCA  | Oak Cottage, Leighton Buzzard Rd, Water End, HP1 3BH                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | No objection |
|               | Works to trees and felling of T8 and T10                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |              |
| 24/02826/TCA  | Troutbeck Cottage, 18-19 Leighton Buzzard Rd, HP1 3BH                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | No objection |
|               | Fell tree                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |              |
|               | c. <b>New planning applications</b> – to agree a response to the following planning application.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |              |
| 25/00020/TCA  | The Moor, 3 Water End Moor, Water End, HP1 3BL                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | No objection |
|               | Works to trees                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |              |
|               | d. <b>Planning applications received since the date of the agenda</b> - none                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |              |
|               | e. <b>Dacorum Local Plan</b> – noted the response submitted on behalf of the Parish Council                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |              |
|               | f. <b>Appeal regarding 21/04508/MOA</b> – noted that members of the public may give their views regarding the construction of 390 dwellings, land west of Leighton Buzzard Road and north of Galley Hill to be held in February. Agreed that the council need take no further action.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |              |
| 25/010        | <b>Open spaces</b> - deferred                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |              |
| 25/011        | <b>Finance and administration</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |              |
|               | a. <b>Payment of invoices</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |              |
|               | i. Noted invoices paid in December as presented to members subject to the payment to Castle Water being for £50.97 and not £49.78 as submitted.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |              |
|               | ii. Agreed payment of invoices as presented to members subject to the direct debit to Nest being for £31.12 and not £51.19 as submitted.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |              |
|               | b. <b>Payments received</b> – noted credits received since the last meeting as presented to members.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |              |
|               | c. <b>Budget for 2025/26</b> – agreed as presented to members.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |              |
|               | d. <b>Precept</b> – resolved that Great Gaddesden Parish Council under section 41 of the Local Government Act 1992 hereby give notice that in respect of the financial year beginning on 1st April 2025, the sum of £16,469 is required to meet the expenses of the Council. We hereby require the levy of the said sum as an additional item of Council Tax for the Parish by Dacorum Borough Council, being the Billing Authority for the Borough and that Councillors Griffin, Turner and Ristoff be authorised to sign the demand for the precept on behalf of the council. Agreed unanimously, |              |
| 25/012        | <b>Date and time of next meetings:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |              |

| Agenda number | Agenda subject and action                                    |
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|               | 7.30pm on Monday 17 February at Great Gaddesden Village Hall |
|               | 7.30pm on Tuesday 18 March at Gaddesden Row Village Hall     |

The meeting closed at 8:08

Signed .....

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