

MUCH BIRCH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extra Ordinary Meeting of Much Birch Parish Council held at Much Birch Community Hall on Wednesday January 11th 2012.

No. MBPC/MR/004

Councillors Present:

Cllr. Dave Davies (Chair)
Cllr. Alison Cook (Vice-Chair)
Cllr. Glen Sims
Cllr. Mike Smith
Cllr. Stephen Turner

1.0 Apologies

Apologies received from Cllr. Andrew Crum

2.0 Declarations of Interest

None

3.0 Planning

No new applications had been received.

4.0 Finance

4.1 It was **Resolved** that Vice Chair Cllr. Alison Cook pay HMRC the tax due on Clerk's salary for the months of October, November and December 2011.

4.2 It was **Resolved** that all three payments listed on the agenda be made.

4.3 i. It was decided that further research should be carried out with regard to the setting up of telephone/internet banking, and that the item be brought back to a future meeting. **Action Point: Cllr. Alison Cook**

ii. It was **Resolved** to set up a standing order in respect of the Clerk's salary and a letter of authorisation was signed to that effect by two of the account signatories, Chairman Dave Davies and Cllr. Glen Sims. **Action Point: Cllr. Alison Cook.**

5.0 Parish Roads and Footpaths

5.1 It was **Resolved** to order a salt/grit bin to replace the damaged one at the top of Tump Lane near Old Rectory Gardens. **Action Point: Clerk** to write to AMEY about the possibility that salt/grit bins may be being damaged by their contractors.

5.2 An update on the progress of the Self-Help Gritting Scheme was given by the Clerk.

At this point in the meeting, on the advice of the Clerk, the Chairman decided to allow the order of business on the agenda to be changed so that item 5.4 could be presented to the Parish Council.

5.4 The advice from the Monitoring Officer regarding contracting in relation to the Self-Help Gritting Scheme was read out in full to the Parish Council. It was then **Resolved** to carry Agenda item 5.3 re: Insurance, forward to the Agenda of the next Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council.

It was further **Resolved**, that members of the Working Group meet with Little Birch Parish Councillors as soon as possible to discuss any remaining issues relevant to the Self-Help Gritting Scheme and progress the scheme using the powers delegated to

them at the Ordinary Meeting of Much Birch Parish Council Of 1st December 2011.

6.0 Parishes' Newsletter and Much Birch Website

It was decide that a summary of the Parish Council Meeting of 1st December be placed in the Newsletter. *Action Point: Clerk*

The Meeting was closed at 9.10p.m.

Signed as a true record Cllr. David L. Davies
(Chairman)
2nd February 2012