

LITTLE BRICKHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 01 July 2024 at 7.45pm in the Community Centre, Little Brickhill, Milton Keynes.

Present:

Cllr D Lewis – Chair
 Cllr K Morgan
 Cllr E Priestley
 Cllr L Walker
 Cllr D Hopkins (Ward Councillor)

In attendance:

C Till (Resident)
 D Priestley (Resident)
 T Simpson (Resident)
 P Simpson (Resident)
 C Nichols (Resident)
 G Nichols (Resident)

Following the resignation of Tim Wheaton as a Parish Councillor at the Parish Council meeting on the 3 June 2024, the Clerk has informed MKCC accordingly and advertised the vacancy on the notice boards.

MKCC have responded stating that the fourteen-day period within which an election can be called will expire on Monday 15 July 2024 and will advise after this date whether a request is received for an election or if we can fill the vacancy.

<p>1. Apologies for Absence:</p> <p>T Bailey (Ward Councillor) & V Hopkins (Ward Councillor).</p>	
<p>2. Public Open Session:</p> <p>Email received 28/06/24 from a resident raising the following issues.</p> <p>2.1 - I would like to once again bring to the attention of Councillors the state of Roundacre. I understood regular maintenance was being undertaken but this does not appear to be the case. Access into the site is virtually impossible due to overgrowth. It is a disgrace. The last time it was cut (few weeks ago?) the cut was literally just in the centre of the field, all the perimeter was not touched, this has now grown and spread leaving a small trampled down walkway which most of us have to use. It is great that a Dog Poo Bin has been supplied but it is now partially hidden, and you get stung to bits when you use it!!!</p> <p><u>Clerk has reported this issue to the contractor and requested an urgent resolution to this issue.</u></p> <p>2.2 - The verges to either side of the Roundacre site are completely overgrown and when leaving the site, you have no sight of oncoming traffic from Great Brickhill, another accident waiting to happen!!</p> <p><u>Clerk has taken some photos (01/07/24) so that this issue can be reported to MKCC after the Parish Council meeting.</u></p> <p>2.3 - The public footpath at the back of Watsons Field is full of over growth making it difficult to walk along this public footpath.</p> <p><u>Clerk has taken some photos (01/07/24) so that this issue can be reported to MKCC after the Parish Council meeting.</u></p> <p>2.4 – Black Bins Bag Issue in Community Area – A resident has reported an issue to Ward Councillor, David Hopkins recently regarding asking for an extra bin to be provided by MKCC.</p> <p><u>This has been reported to MKCC for investigation and action.</u></p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

<p>2.5 – MK2050 Consultation – Residents attended the meeting to ask how the Parish Council will be responding to this forthcoming consultation.</p> <p>It was noted that an article will be included in the next edition of the newsletter and will be included as an agenda item for the next Parish Council meeting on the 2 September 2024. A resident associated with BRIAD has agreed to work with the Parish Council so that an appropriate response can be submitted before the consultation closing date anticipated in early October 2024.</p>	Clerk
<p>3. Declaration of Interest:</p> <p>None.</p>	
<p>4. Approval of the Minutes of Meeting held on 3 June 2024: 3460</p> <p>Minutes signed and approved.</p>	
<p>5. Progress on matters from last Minutes: 3461</p> <p>5.1 - (item 2.3 of minutes 06/03/23) - Street Lighting – A resident asked if consideration could be given to installing some more street lighting on Watling Street near the George / Community Centre. Clerk confirmed that he met with a member of the street lighting team on the 21 September 2023 and received confirmation that they will conduct a review of the street lights in this area with a view to installing at least another one column. It is more likely because budget constraints to be completed early in the new budget year (2024/2025).</p> <p><i>Clerk confirmed that he recently contacted MKCC by phone and that he has been promised a progress update next month.</i></p> <p>5.2 - (item 2.2 of minutes 26/06/23) - Old playground in Wyness Avenue. Work has been completed by MKCC except for work on the tree. Although there is minor deadwood in this tree, I have not prioritised it above other works. A job ticket will be raised, but not until the other trees in the area are surveyed.</p> <p><i>Clerk has emailed MKCC (29/06/24) requesting a date when this work will be scheduled / completed but received confirmation that it is likely to be completed in the Autumn when other work in the area will be undertaken.</i></p> <p>5.3 - (item 2.4 of minutes 26/06/23) - Wyness Avenue and other Village issues</p> <p>5.3.1 - Clearance near the disabled bay in Wyness Avenue – The MKCC Landscaping Team are going to try and have another look at the disabled space to see if there is encroachment. However, if you can send through some photos then that would be useful. <i>Clerk has emailed MKCC (29/06/24) enclosing photos requesting a date when this work will be scheduled / completed.</i></p> <p><i>Confirmation received from MKCC on the 1 July 2024 that they will at last complete this work as quickly as possible.</i></p> <p>5.3.2 - Between Greystones and The Court House on Watling Street in Little Brickhill, the brambles, overhanging ivy and general foliage is making it impossible to walk on the pavement. <u>Clerk reported this to MKCC under reference MKCC582860219.</u></p> <p>Update – <i>It was noted that this work was completed by two residents on the 7 June 2024. Two issues have now been identified now that the work has been completed as noted below.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>There is a large dead branch which overhangs the road that could present a risk to cars on the road and people using the pavement.</i> • <i>There is a hole in the wall that needs to be filled as there is a risk the wall will collapse and cause an obstruction or worse.</i> <p><i>Clerk has reported this to Bedford Estates on the 11 June 2024, waiting for a response.</i></p>	Clerk

<p>5.4 - (item 8.4 of minutes 26/06/23) - Roundacre Field.</p> <p><u>Discuss at a future Parish Council meeting next actions now that our Lottery Grant application was unsuccessful.</u></p> <p>5.5 - (item 8.8 of minutes 26/06/23) – Pavement on Great Brickhill Lane from the flats to the entrance of Wyness Avenue requires a safety check / repair by MKCC. Clerk has reported this again to the MKCC Contact Centre on the 4 October 2023. Confirmation of receipt received 19/10/23 under reference No 5555688505. Clerk advised that he discussed this issue with MKCC Highways Team via an online meeting held on the 22 March 2024. MKCC confirmed that this damaged tarmac pavement currently does not meet the criteria yet for a repair and is inspected on a regular basis. I have asked for a record of the last inspection that MKCC have completed, and they have promised to email this in early April 2024.</p> <p><u>Clerk has emailed MKCC again (29/06/24) requesting details of the last inspection. Ongoing.</u></p> <p>5.6 - (item 8.9 of minutes 26/06/23) – Play Equipment – Clerk to ask MKCC if they can clean all the play equipment on Watsons Field. <u>Clerk confirmed that the cost for MKCC to clean all the play equipment is £300 for two men at £75 per hour.</u></p> <p><u>Now that the tree work on Watsons Field has been completed on the 13 May 2024, suggest that we get this work scheduled for completion in July / August 2024. This expenditure was agreed that the Parish Council meeting and the Clerk was authorised to place the order.</u></p> <p>5.7 - (item 16.3 of minutes 06/11/23) – Cllr E Priestley stated that a School Sign had been damaged as you enter the Village from Great Brickhill Lane. <u>Clerk has reported this to MKCC via email under reference number FS604652825. Cllr Priestly reports that the school sign located on Great Brickhill Lane has been damaged and despite this being reported has still to be repaired.</u></p> <p><u>It was noted that Ward Councillor followed this issue up with MKCC on the 4 June 2024 and the Clerk has emailed MKCC (30/06/24) requesting a date when this work will be scheduled / completed.</u></p> <p>5.8 – (item 2.1 of minutes 08/04/24) - A resident asked the Parish Council if it might be possible to contact MKCC about installing a barrier at the end of Woburn Road just past the entrances to the dwellings to stop people from parking in this dead-end road to conduct illegal activities and littering. The Parish Council were asked for a progress update on the installation of a bollard on Woburn Road (a dead end) at appoint after the entrance to the property known as The Stables. This to attempt to combat fly tippers (and other anti-social behaviour). Those asking do accept that the Gas company and Fire Service would need this to be a key controlled bollard, but it would attempt to combat the fly tipping. <u>This is linked with minute item 5.17.</u></p> <p><u>Cllr K Morgan stated that he did not believe that installing a barrier would resolve this issue as people would still undertake fly-tipping in other parts of the road. Discuss at the next Parish Council meeting.</u></p> <p>5.9 - (item 2.2 of minutes 08/04/24) - Clerk advised that Ward Councillor, Tracey Bailey had notified him that a street light on Great Brickhill Lane was not working.</p> <p>It was thought that this issue had been completed by MKCC. <u>Item closed.</u></p> <p>5.10 – (item 16.1 of minutes 08/04/24) - Dog Fouling - Cllr K Morgan raised an issue with Dog Fouling in the Village and asked for consideration to purchase some posters from the Keep Britain Tidy Organisation. Clerk advised that he had contacted MKCC for advice on this issue and that if we can identify the affected areas in the village the MKCC Enforcement Officers will investigate. <u>They indicated that they have had some success in other parts of Milton Keynes. Ward Councillor D Hopkins was asked to contact MKCC to establish if more substantial no dog fouling signs be deployed in several previously identified parts of the village.</u></p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
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<p><u>It was noted that Ward Councillor followed this issue up with MKCC on the 4 June 2024 asking if some more substantial no dog fouling signs be deployed in several previously identified parts of the village.</u></p> <p><u>Response received from MKCC</u> - Yes. We do have some and they were installed as part of the Dog Fouling PSPO. We can install some more – shall we provide them to the Parish Clerk for installation in the locations you are aware of? – please let me know the preference please. <u>Equally if you have areas of dog fouling, please let us know so that we can ask our Litter Enforcement Officers to attend.</u></p>	
<p><u>It was agreed to include this issue in the next edition of the newsletter and review this again at a future Parish Council meeting.</u></p> <p>5.11 – (item 16.2 of minutes 08/04/24) - Wyness Avenue – Cllr E Priestley advised that there is still some evidence that some people are parking their vehicles on grass verges in this road. Cllr E Priestley reported (03/06/24) that this is still an issue and asked is an MKCC warden could attend Wyness Avenue as several vehicles were still parking on the pavements blocking access for wheelchair users in particular.</p>	Clerk
<p>It was noted that Ward Councillor followed this issue up with MKCC on the 4 June 2024 asking if a warden could attend Wyness Avenue as a number of vehicles were parking on the pavements blocking access for wheelchair users in particular.</p> <p><u>Clerk was asked to contact MKCC to discuss how to resolve this issue.</u></p>	Clerk
<p>5.12 – (item 2.3 of minutes 03/06/24) - Pot hole on Great Brickhill Lane.</p> <p>There is an enormous pothole on the Great Brickhill lane adjacent to Springfield Farm entrance.</p>	
<p><u>Although this has been reported to MKCC already by Ward Councillor D Hopkins, the Clerk was asked to also report this issue to MKCC.</u></p>	Clerk
<p>5.13 – (item 2.4 of minutes 03/06/24) - Footpath Issue on Watling Street.</p> <p>Residents report that the footpath alongside the A5 down to McDonalds is impassable for cyclists in particular. This might be Highways England rather than MKCC, but can we check and report as necessary please?</p>	
<p><u>It was noted that Ward Councillor followed this issue up with MKCC on the 4 June 2024 and the Clerk will contact MKCC requesting a response to this request.</u></p>	
<p>5.14 – (item 6.1 of minutes 03/06/24) - Recommendation from BALC received 10/04/24 for moving to Gov.UK Domains for websites and Email for better security. <u>This was agreed at the AGM in May 2024.</u></p>	
<p><u>Clerk apologised for the delay in completing this action but would action this month.</u></p>	Clerk
<p>5.15 – (item 6.2 of minutes 03/06/24) - Email received 08/05/24 from The Local Government Boundary Commission for England - Milton Keynes Ward Boundary Review - Initial Consultation closing on the 15 July 2024. The consultation deadline has been extended until the 9 September 2024 because of the announcement of the General Election. <u>It was noted that we ask for Little Brickhill to remain within the Danesborough Ward and reference the historic link with Greensand ridge and Brickhills.</u></p>	
<p><u>It was agreed that the Clerk will include this topic in the next edition of the Newsletter and draft a response to final agreement at the Parish Council on the 2 September 2024.</u></p>	Clerk

<p>5.16 – (item 6.2 of minutes 03/06/24) – Landscaping and Street Cleaning.</p> <p>It was noted that Ward Councillor followed this issue up with MKCC on the 4 June 2024 asking MKCC for a copy of the schedule of visits from the street cleansing team and landscape team for 2024/2025 (so the PC can schedule in additional work if necessary).</p> <p>Response received from MKCC - I am not sure if I understand specifically what information you are asking for here. Is this a schedule of works done or attended or visits undertaken, or visits planned? I can provide the schedules for when we should be in the vicinity (i.e. if we are doing street cleaning every 8 weeks then works by the Parish can be planned every intersecting 4 weeks) – will that work?</p> <p><u>It was agreed to discuss this at the next Parish Council meeting on the 2 September 2024.</u></p> <p>5.17 – (item 6.2 of minutes 03/06/24) – CCTV Camera Deployment.</p> <p>It was noted that Ward Councillor followed this issue up with MKCC on the 4 June 2024 asking MKCC if mobile CCTV cameras be used to attempt to catch out fly tippers on the three main sites in the village namely the access link from A5 south entering the village, Woburn Road cul de sac and the Watling Street exit from the village heading north out of the village towards rejoining the A5. Fly Tipping is now a weekly event in the village.</p> <p>Update received from MKCC - Crimewave have carried out CCTV suitably visits in recent weeks and a camera covering the A5(d) Southbound exit slip road (where the recent construction/demolition waste was dumped) has been identified as a viable option and will be installed in the near future. Other sites have been identified for covert surveillance, too. I will check to see if the areas mentioned by Cllr Hopkins, were part of that.</p> <p><u>It was agreed to review this at the next Parish Council meeting on the 2 September 2024.</u></p>	
<p>Correspondence: 3462</p> <p>6.1 - Email received 21/06/24 from SaferMK on the Extension and Variation of the Alcohol PSPO Consultation closing on the 16 August 2024.</p> <p><u>Clerk stated that he had displayed this on our Parish Noticeboards, no actions are required.</u></p> <p>6.2 - Email received 24/06/24 from MKCC advising of an MK New City 2050 informal session on Monday the 22 July 2024 at 19.00 in the Council Chamber at Civic Offices open for City, Parish and Town Councillors.</p> <p><u>Clerk was asked to email details to all Parish Councillors as quickly as possible after the meeting.</u></p>	Clerk
<p>7. Clerks Report / Local Issues: 3463</p> <p>7.1 – Newsletter – Clerk will request content by the end of June / early July 2024 for distribution towards the end of July 2024.</p> <p><u>To include information about the forthcoming MK2050 consultation the completion / distribution of the next edition of Newsletter could be delayed until mid-August 2024.</u></p> <p>7.2 – Overhanging Shrub on Wyness Avenue – Clerk has reported this to MKCC on the 01/06/24 under reference number MKCC619773893.</p> <p><u>Confirmation received from MKCC 06/06/24 that the work had been completed.</u></p>	

<p>7.3 - The following new templates were updated in May 2024 by NALC.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standing Orders • Financial Regulations • Biodiversity Policy <p><i>Clerk to complete this action in July / August 2024.</i></p>	Clerk
<p>8. Unitary Councillors' Report: 3464</p> <p>A copy of the Ward Councillor's reports to Little Brickhill Parish Council for July 2024 <u>are available to view on the Parish Council website and are appended to these minutes.</u></p>	
<p>9. Planning: 3465</p> <p>9.1 – 24/01142/TCA - To sever the ivy at the base of the tree, carry out a 30% crown reduction and remove deadwood of Ash (T1) and the removal of deadwood of Ash (T2) at Woburn Farm, Woburn Road, Little Brickhill.</p> <p><i>Notification received from MKCC 25/06/2024 that tree in conversation area works – no objections.</i></p>	
<p>10. To discuss any Highway issues including introduction of (20 MPH Zones): 3466</p> <p>10.1 - Progress on introduction of 20 MPH Zones for Watling Street and Great Brickhill Lane:</p> <p><u>MKCC will be working on a design proposal for the scheme in the coming months and looking to consult on the scheme in Summer 2024.</u> It was noted that Cllr K Morgan had raised some concerns on the effectiveness of these type of schemes and referenced a document prepared for Buckinghamshire County Council.</p> <p><i>The consultation could be delayed because of the General Election, but the Clerk will chase MKCC for a comprehensive update for the next Parish Council meeting on the 1 July 2024 and for the update to be included in the next edition of the newsletter.</i></p> <p><i>Clerk has emailed MKCC (28/06/24) requesting a progress update on this.</i></p> <p>10.2 - Junction at Watling Street / Great Brickhill Lane – Cllr K Morgan asked if MKCC could be approached to ask for a safety review to be undertaken at the junction.</p> <p><u>MKCC will be working on a design proposal for the scheme in the coming months and looking to consult on the scheme in Summer 2024 including a review of this junction.</u></p> <p><i>See note in item 10.1.</i></p> <p>10.3 - Signs as you exit the village onto the A5 that indicate the national speed limit for the type of road and class of traffic applies could be moved as this may have an impact on slowing traffic down.</p> <p><i>See note in item 10.1.</i></p> <p>10.4 - Safety issue at exit from Eversden Close to Watling Street because the positioning of refuge point does not allow vehicles to turn left without damaging the grass verge. Update provided by MKCC - The developer has been contacted again and that the bond for this site will not be released until the grasscrete has been installed.</p> <p><i>Clerk has emailed MKCC (28/06/24) requesting a progress update on this.</i></p>	

10.5 - Damaged / Missing Road Sign as you exit the A5 to Woburn and Little Brickhill / Great Brickhill.

MKCC are including this sign replacement with several other signs within the vicinity of this location and are waiting for budget approval from management to allow the go ahead and order. Clerk has informed MKCC about the further damage to the barrier and the graffiti. MKCC have informed Highways England accordingly.

MKCC have recently confirmed that they are waiting for the coroner's report following the incident last November 2023 before confirmation on when this work will be completed.

10.6 - Greensand County Village Gateway Signs. Greensands Trust have confirmed that two signs will be allocated for Little Brickhill. Cost for the two signs are £240.00 + VAT. Clerk has placed an order for the two signs to be installed now that MKCC have signed the agreement form.

Two signs have now been installed, see cheque number 101009 for £240 + VAT. Clerk stated that we have another welcome to Little Brickhill sign in the Village and asked for authorisation to purchase another sign at £120 + VAT and confirmed that the funding was covered in a Ward Councillor grant from a previous budget year. Clerk was given permission to proceed.

Clerk

10.7 – (item 16.2 of minutes 06/03/23) - Great Brickhill Lane – Cllr M Goddard asked if the state of this road out of the village to Great Brickhill could be reported to Bucks CC for a review / actioning

Grateful thanks to Ward Councillor, David Hopkins for contacting Bucks CC on this and that some urgent repairs have now been completed. It was noted at the PC meeting that some areas are still requiring attention. **Post meeting note** – Bucks CC have confirmed the road is inspected on a regular basis with the next one scheduled for July 2024.

A further update has been obtained from Bucks CC by Ward Councillor, David Hopkins.

- *Having checked our works ordering system, there are no outstanding repairs on this road. The road was last inspected by Highway Officers in April and all urgent defects were repaired. Great Brickhill Lane is on a on a quarterly inspection regime. The road will next be routinely inspected in July.*
- *Our Local Area Technician (LAT) has not had any enquiries for this section of road for a while, so the LAT has had no reason to inspect himself. The only enquiries he has received have been for Pound Hill within Great Brickhill village, but nothing between the village and the county boundary. The road is on our four-year Capital resurfacing programme, but is not scheduled for treatment until 2027/28, so it's a few years away. However, it will likely be brought forward depending on deterioration.*

10.8 - Little Brickhill are seeking a No Overnight lorry parking ban being placed Watling Street (the old A5) as the road leaves the village heading north towards the new A5 (bypass).

The following response was received from MKCC (Murray Woodburn) in April 2024.

- Thank you for alerting us to this. Civil disobedience of this sort is a new development and may require us to escalate accordingly.
- Thank you, Keith, for retrieving the signs and dragging them to safety – and we'll make sure they are replaced shortly – but it is clear we may need to move towards a prohibition of some sort if this is the sort of behaviour we can expect. As has been stated, the situation will only deteriorate when other warehousing development opens, so it is important we get on top of this now.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Let me discuss this with colleagues again to come up with some options. A weight limit except for access remains an option, but unfortunately enforcement would be difficult without the assistance of cameras – which we do not have DfT permission to use yet. <p><u><i>This is still outstanding and is a major village issue. Cllr D Hopkins was asked to contact MKCC on this issue for a progress update.</i></u></p> <p><u><i>It was noted that Ward Councillor followed this issue up with MKCC on the 4 June 2024, see below.</i></u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Murray – when you visited the village, you stated that you would take on a personal action to put in place a No HGV policy through the village. As you know HGV drivers choose to stop off at parts of the village either ‘stacking’ before being called to their warehouse or business site or stopping for longer rest periods or overnight. The PC members think that this should still be allowable for vehicles visiting and entering from the south, but that HGV’s should then be directed back onto the A5(buy pass) via the mini roundabout and the NO HGV Overnight parking enforced elsewhere on Watling Street. The No Overnight parking sign that was taken down by person or persons unknown and dumped by the side of the road at the north end of Watling Street is still by the side of the road awaiting being re-erected. <p><u><i>Clerk will contact MKCC requesting a response to this request.</i></u></p>	Clerk
<p>11. To discuss Climate change issues / MKCC initiative: 3467</p> <p>11.1 - Costs of producing a plan receiving from Jon Balaam (Greensands Trust) following the presentation at the PC meeting on the 5 February 2024.</p> <p>It will be helpful for us to develop a “GI Plan-lite” methodology for use by smaller parish councils and those not doing a Neighbourhood Plan – especially those outside of Beds as the nature of mapping provided by the Local Environmental Record Centres differs across the county boundary.</p> <p>I’d like to think we can come up with something that keeps it affordable for yourselves and other parishes in your position, but still creates a quality product which (most importantly) will be accepted by planners etc. I accept some of the development time we need to put into this will be relevant to a range of places, so will restrict any fees to yourselves to what is directly relevant. I would propose that the service we could provide includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provision of a draft methodology with instructions suitable for someone in your position (i.e. not a technical specialist, but not a stranger to the planning system) for producing a GI Plan. Guidance on mapping services/platforms you could utilise. Guidance on running community GI planning workshops and surveys (with option to bring us in to deliver). Proof reading/commenting on draft plans. <p>I would look to keep the cost below £1k (normally a GI Plan costs anything upwards of £4k these days) with additional costs being mapping and workshops. As a guide, the Bucks record centre charged us less than £100 for the Wing mapping work.</p> <p>I will also look to discuss how any work done at a parish level in Bucks/MK can inform the Local Nature Recovery Strategy – we are looking at running an event for Greensand Country parishes on this in April. This would be something that benefits all parishes so not part of any chargeable service from us.</p> <p>I hope that all makes sense – I am also at a very similar stage with Great Brickhill (not met with them yet), and while they are obviously under a different local planning</p>	

<p>authority there might be things that could be done jointly – is there any track record of this?</p> <p>Another thing that would be useful is to know what your local drivers are? I can see that being on the edge of MK there are the development drivers, including things like EW Rail, but if there is anything else, please do let us know.</p> <p><i>It was agreed to discuss this in more detail at a future Parish Council meeting.</i></p>																												
<p>12. Financial: 3468</p> <p>12.1 - Cheques presented for payment:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>101006</td> <td>£1,488.00</td> <td>Goodfellers Ltd – Tree work on Watsons Field</td> </tr> <tr> <td>D/D</td> <td>£35.00</td> <td>Information Commissions Office – Data Protection Fee</td> </tr> <tr> <td>S/O</td> <td>£196.80</td> <td>Alan Kemp – Salary July 2024</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101007</td> <td>£131.20</td> <td>HMRC – Tax for Clerk – July 2024</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101008</td> <td>£27.30</td> <td>Alan Kemp – Inkjet Cartridges</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101009</td> <td>£288.00</td> <td>Auckland Manufacturing Ltd – Greensand Signs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101010</td> <td>£495.00</td> <td>W&WFC - £495.00 Village Grass Cutting – August 2024</td> </tr> <tr> <td>S/O</td> <td>£196.80</td> <td>Alan Kemp – Salary August 2024</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101011</td> <td>£131.20</td> <td>HMRC – Tax for Clerk – August 2024</td> </tr> </table> <p>This expenditure was proposed, seconded, and carried unanimously.</p> <p>12.2 – Payments received: None</p> <p>12.3 - It was noted that the Bank Balance following the payments made tonight and cheques not cashed was <u>£29,848.36.</u></p> <p>12.4 - Bank Mandate: Clerk advised that a current signatory would have to contact Barclays Bank to arrange for a new mandate to be generated to add other signatories. <i>Ongoing.</i></p>	101006	£1,488.00	Goodfellers Ltd – Tree work on Watsons Field	D/D	£35.00	Information Commissions Office – Data Protection Fee	S/O	£196.80	Alan Kemp – Salary July 2024	101007	£131.20	HMRC – Tax for Clerk – July 2024	101008	£27.30	Alan Kemp – Inkjet Cartridges	101009	£288.00	Auckland Manufacturing Ltd – Greensand Signs	101010	£495.00	W&WFC - £495.00 Village Grass Cutting – August 2024	S/O	£196.80	Alan Kemp – Salary August 2024	101011	£131.20	HMRC – Tax for Clerk – August 2024	
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<p>13. To discuss whether to apply for a Community Infrastructure Funding Grant for 2025/2026: 3469</p> <p><i>We have until the 31 August 2024 to apply for a grant so a decision on this was deferred until the next PC meeting on the 1 July 2024. Any suggestions on projects we could apply for from Parish Councillors would be welcome. As a small Parish Council, we are eligible for 75% funding. THERE WILL BE A 25% CONTRIBUTION REQUIRED BY LITTLE BRICKHILL PARISH COUNCIL.</i></p>																												
<p>14. To receive reports on the Community Centre: 3470</p> <p>14.1 - Electrical Work – Clerk advised that we are still waiting for a date from Western Power when they will be completing work to change the source of electricity from overhead cables underground. <u>There are some outside wiring problems that they were going to complete at the same time.</u></p> <p><i>Clerk has contacted National Grid have again (01/03/24) and has been promised a response later this month. No change.</i></p> <p>14.2 - Damaged Shed – The Parish Council was asked if the shed at the Community Centre could be replaced. Community Centre committee have no objections but suggested that it might be better to purchase a plastic version. The current shed is 8 x 12 foot.</p> <p><i>Clerk has one quotation for a shed (7.5 x 11 foot at £1,560 and is currently trying to obtain another quotation. Ongoing.</i></p>	Clerk																											

<p>15. Councillors Report: 3471</p> <p>Cllr L Walker asked who is responsible for cutting the grass verges on Watling Street from the island near Watsons Field to Battlefields Farm. It was thought that this area was the responsibility of MKCC and the Clerk was asked to liaise with them regarding completion of this work.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>16. Items for the next / future agendas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MK2050 Consultation – September 2024. • Risk Assessment – October 2024. • Budget / Precept Setting - November & December 2024. 	
<p>17. Date of Next Meeting:</p> <p>Future dates are noted below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday 2 September 2024 • Monday 7 October 2024 <p><u>There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.05 pm.</u></p> <p>.....</p> <p>Chair for Little Brickhill Parish Council</p>	

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