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**Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Northchurch Parish Council
Monday 7th April 2025 at 7.15pm
at Social Centre, Bell Lane, Northchurch, HP4 3 RD**

Those present: Cllr Capozzi, Cllr Pocock, Cllr Dix, Cllr Hughes, and Cllr Syers.

Also present: Mrs Usha Kilich Proper Office and one member of the public.

EX/34/24 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive and accept apologies for absence

Resolved, proposed by Cllr Capozzi, seconded by Cllr Syers to accept the apologies of absence from Cllr Somervail. Unanimously agreed.

EX/35/24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To declare an interest linked to any item on the agenda.

Cllr Pocock declared interest in item EX/37/24 c

EX/36/24 Public Participation

EX/37/24 Finance and General Purposes

a. Cllr Capozzi proposes to approve the quote for a new path to be constructed within the playground up to the proposed picnic area for an additional £4k on top of the £12k previously approved at Full Council on 17th Feb 2025 for the senior seating area.

Resolved, proposed by Cllr Capozzi, seconded by Cllr Pocock to approve the quote for a new path to be constructed within the playground up to the proposed picnic area for an additional £4k on top of the £12k previously approved at Full Council on 17th Feb 2025. Unanimously agreed.

b. Cllr Capozzi to inform members of an emergency payment for the defib outside the Tesco for £356.80.

Resolved, proposed by Cllr Capozzi, seconded by Cllr Hughes to prove the expenditure as an emergency purchase. Unanimously agreed.

c. Cllr Capozzi to inform members that a letter has been received from Trish Pocock for an increase in her payment from April 2025.

Resolved, proposed by Cllr Capozzi, seconded by Cllr Dix to approve the increase in payment for Trish Pocock. Unanimously agreed.

d. Cllr Capozzi proposes to discuss more flexible closing time of the recreation gate during the warmer months.

It was unanimously agreed to be more flexible with closing of the recreation ground gate during the summer months.

- e. Cllr Capozzi proposes to discuss the installation of a bike rack at the recreation ground by DBC and agree on decision.
Resolved, proposed by Cllr Capozzi, seconded by Cllr Dix, to inform DBC that the bike rack would not be suitable for the recreational ground but would more appropriately located near the Tesco Stores. Unanimously agreed.

EX/38/24 **Exclusion of Press and Public: To Resolve** that under Section 1 of the Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 the public and press excluded for the remainder of the meeting, because it is likely that publicity would prejudice the public interest because of the confidential business to be transacted or for other special reasons stated in the resolution, arising from the nature of the business proceedings.

EX/39/24 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**
The next meeting will be held on Monday 28th April 2025 at 7.00 pm Social Centre Bell Lane Northchurch HP4 3 RD

The meeting concluded at 19.35.