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**Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Northchurch Parish Council
Monday 30th September 2024 at 7.15 pm
at Social Centre, Bell Lane, Northchurch, HP4 3 RD**

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

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

EX/15/24 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive and accept apologies for the absence
Resolved, proposed by Cllr Capozzi, seconded by Cllr Pocock to accept Cllr Somervail's apologies for the absence. Unanimously agreed.

EX/16/24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To declare an interest linked to any item on the agenda.
Nothing to declare.

EX/17/24 Public Participation

A member attended the meeting regarding item EX/18/24 c.

EX/18/24 Chairs Report

- a. Bell Lane Burial Ground – Pam and Ian Gamble Cllr Capozzi will communicate with Pam and Ian Gamble.
- b. Reminder from DBC on LCWIP – consultation extended to 13th October 2024
- c. Berkham Oaks Dementia Care 23/09/24 – Cllr Capozzi proposed holding an Extraordinary Meeting (EOM) for Cratas to deliver a presentation. The Clerk to coordinate with the Chiltern Society on the matter.
- d. New councillor interest – A member has shown interest and will be invited to attend the meeting on 11th November 2024
- e. Car park at SRT site - due to the upgrade of the car park within the SRT boundary, SRT has requested permission to use the recreation ground car park. Cllr Pocock will ensure that the gates are opened each morning to allow access for the taxi/minibus to utilise the space.

EX/19/24 Financial Matters

- a. Cllr Capozzi proposes to accept Warden and Concurrent Budget 2025/26 and submit it to DBC.
Resolved, proposed by Cllr Capozzi, seconded by Cllr Pocock to approve the Warden and Concurrent Budget 2025/26. Unanimously agreed.

- b. Cllr Capozzi proposes to remove Cllr Abercromby from the banking mandate and NPC email account.
Resolved, proposed by Cllr Capozzi, seconded by Cllr Syers to remove Cllr Abercromby from the bank mandate and NPC email account due to resignation. Unanimously agreed.
- c. Cllr Capozzi proposes discussing and agreeing on the fixed term for renewing the Council's insurance.
Resolved, proposed by Cllr Capozzi, seconded by Cllr Pocock to enter a three-year fixed term with Gallaghers for the Council's insurance. Unanimously agreed.
- d. Cllr Capozzi proposes to sell the bonds with St James Place to pay for Phase 2 of the playground update.
Resolved, proposed by Cllr Capozzi, seconded by Cllr Dix to sell the council's bonds. Unanimously agreed.
- e. Cllr Capozzi and Cllr Somervail authorise the Clerk to reallocate funds from any savings accounts to settle the invoice from Proludic.
Resolved, proposed by Cllr Capozzi, seconded by Cllr Pocock to authorise the Clerk to allocate funds from any savings account to settle Proludic's invoice.
- f. Cllr Capozzi proposes to approve a budget of £1000 to cover the cost of hedge and tree cutting at the recreation so works can proceed in a timely manner
Resolved, proposed by Cllr Capozzi, seconded by Cllr Pocock to approve £1000 to cover the costs of hedge and tree cutting at the recreation ground. Unanimously agreed.

EX/20/24 **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/21/24 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**
The next meeting will be held on Monday 11th November 2024 Meeting at 7.00 pm Social Centre Bell Lane Northchurch HP4 3 RD