

**Graveley Parish Council Meeting Minutes  
of the Full Parish Council taken on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2024 at Graveley Village Hall, High  
Street, Graveley, Hertfordshire, SG4 7LB at 8.00pm**

<b>Council members present:</b>	Cllr J Atkinson Cllr M Griffin – Chair Cllr J Lumley Cllr J Thorpe
<b>In attendance:</b>	D Galvan (Clerk & RFO to the Council) 1 member of the public present
24/039	<b>To elect a Chair of the Graveley Parish Council</b> <b>Resolved.</b> Proposed by Cllr Lumley. Seconded by Cllr Thorpe to appoint Cllr Martin Griffin as Chair for the year 2024/25. Unanimously agreed. Declaration of acceptance of office form was duly signed.
24/040	<b>Apologies</b> Cllr D Griffiths (NHC) Cllr S Jarvis (HCC)
24/041	<b>Interests</b> None raised.
24/042	<b>Minutes</b> (a) To confirm the Minutes of the Graveley Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 as a true and accurate record of proceedings. <b>Resolved.</b> Proposed by Cllr Griffin. Seconded by Cllr Atkinson, that these Minutes be agreed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings and to be duly signed by the Chair. Unanimously agreed.
24/043	<b>Public Issues</b> None raised.

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24/044	<p><b>Reports from County &amp; District Councillors, Police and others</b></p> <p>The Clerk read out Cllr Jarvis's report, in summary: The work on the footway between Milksey Lane and Graveley Lane was supposed to be done this week; he is investigating why this has not started. Although the worst of the holes on the path from Ashwell Common to Coreys Mill have been filled, the surface is still in poor condition. He is investigating whether this could be resurfaced within budget. He has also asked for an update on the 20mph speed limit in Church Lane, Oak Lane, Ashwell Common and Ashwell Close to get more details as the last news on this was that it would be done in the summer.</p>
24/045	<p><b>Planning</b></p> <p>a) To consider planning applications received during the period (Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May to Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2024). None received.</p>
24/046	<p><b>Clerks report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Enforcement updates:-</b></li> </ul> <p>1a High Street - Currently no progress, NHC Officers are currently working to establish the legal land ownership, as investigations so far appear to note a pending transfer of sale with Land Registry. Once they can establish the legal ownership of the land, they will be able to advise what action, if any, is proposed by the Council. This case is therefore remaining under review.</p> <p>The application for the Barking Mad site in Graveley is still being processed. NHC officers are waiting for some information before the application can be validated. The location description is to be submitted as Graveley Fruit Farm.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Parking in Graveley High Street</b></li> </ul> <p>The Clerk received a reply from NHS Trust Car parking team following on from the enquiry made from public issue raised last month. The Clerk had explained that GPC and residents were aware there were no parking restrictions, but asked if they could help. The Trust replied that they understood and appreciated the frustrations that residents and business owners are experiencing, that parking on site is challenging as they do not have enough car parking spaces, even with the Garden Centre overflow car park, to provide parking for all of their staff. Their staff have to meet certain criteria in order to be eligible for a parking permit and the staff that are parking in the High Street, may not be eligible or in today's cost of living crisis, may not be able to afford a parking permit. The Trust have agreed to ask their Communications Team to send out a notice to all staff reminding them to park courteously and considerately, when parking in our neighbouring, residential areas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Decorating of benches</b></li> </ul> <p>Waiting for a quote for the benches and asked the decorator to quote individually and detail work involved in the repair.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Playground</b></li> </ul> <p>The Clerk received a quote £1,000 + VAT to supply and install a new Traverse net, 4-6 weeks lead time, so she has ordered this net, should be installed towards the end of June.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Footpath between the two pubs</b></li> </ul> <p>HCC have still not added Footpath 17 onto their maintenance programme and have asked for Graveley residents get together to help cut it back. The Clerk therefore has asked for the Hedge Cutter that cuts the playground to carefully cut the hedge between the two pubs and the hedge by the bus stop. These areas are being cut this week (weather permitting). <i>[Completed – 26/05/24]</i></p>
24/047	<p><b>Items for consideration at next meeting</b></p> <p>To suggest agenda items for the next Parish Council meeting to be held on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2024. None suggested.</p>
	Meeting closed at 8.20pm

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