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**Graveley Parish Council Meeting Minutes
of the Full Parish Council taken on Tuesday 27th April 2021 at 8pm via video
conferencing**

Council members present:	Cllr Martin Griffin – Chair Cllr Rob Millard – Vice Chair Cllr Gill Shenoy
In attendance	Danielle Galvan (Clerk/RFO to the Council) Cllr George Davies (NHDC) Cllr Steve Jarvis (HCC) Cllr Terry Tyler (NHDC) (joined the meeting at 20:14)
Agenda Item and minute number	Summary
21/020	Apologies Cllr Helen Lumley, Cllr Johnie Thorpe, PC Gary Pugsley.
21/021	Interests To receive declarations of Interest from Councillors on items on the Agenda and to consider any requests for dispensation. None.
21/022	Minutes a) To confirm the Minutes of the Extraordinary Graveley Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 16 th March 2021 as a true and accurate record of proceedings. B/f - to be voted at Council meeting on Tuesday 4 th May 2021.
21/023	Public Issues No members of the public present.
21/024	Reports from County & District Councillors, Police and others Cllr Davies reported that Great Ashby Parish Council will be adopting the new code of conduct. Cllr Davies & Cllr Tyler both reported that at a recent NHDC meeting two motions had been passed in relation to 20mph speed limit and fly tipping. Cllr Jarvis reported that the bollards for the corner of Ashwell Close would be added to his 2021/2022 Highways locality budget. Cllr Tyler was asked about the encampment in the woodlands at the back of Grinders End, which although sits within Wymondley Parish Council's boundary there is a concern about the safety of children and antisocial behaviour.
21/025	Finance To authorise payments to: (a) HAPTC annual subscription - £217.66. Resolved. Proposed by Cllr Griffin. Seconded by Cllr Shenoy. Unanimously agreed. (b) Playdale Playgrounds (playground part) - £9.04.

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	<p>Resolved. Proposed by Cllr Griffin. Seconded by Cllr Millard. Unanimously agreed.</p> <p>(c) To consider making a donation (financial year 2021-2022) of £1,000.00 towards the grass cutting at St Marys Church (Graveley Parochial Church Council).</p> <p>It was discussed that due to Covid19 and the lockdowns of 2020 & 2021 the church has been unable to carry out its normal fund raising. £1,000 had been budgeted (2021-2022) for grass cutting for GPCC, so it was agreed for this sum to be granted. The Clerk will review this at the end of the financial year should there be additional funds available.</p> <p>Resolved. Proposed by Cllr Griffin. Seconded by Cllr Shenoy. Unanimously agreed.</p> <p>(d) To approve the GPC accounts for the financial year 2020-2021.</p> <p>The GPC confirmed that they had received and had an opportunity to review the accounts fully and they were duly approved.</p> <p>Resolved. Proposed by Cllr Millard. Seconded by Cllr Shenoy. Unanimously agreed.</p> <p>(e) To approve for the GPC 2020-2021 Accounts to be audited by the same accountant as previous years and for a provisional sum of up to £50 for that audit.</p> <p>It was agreed for the same accountant and a provisional sum of £50 to be set aside for this work to be carried out.</p> <p>Resolved. Proposed by Cllr Griffin. Seconded by Cllr Shenoy. Unanimously agreed.</p> <p>Current bank balance: £10,744.75.</p>
21/026	<p>Clerks report: – Information only. Correspondence received and outstanding action points.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Footpath from Ashwell common cycle track/footpatch – Potholes in the footpath – Reported to the HCC on 26th March 2021. • Bore holes up at Ashwell Common from the Cadent gas repairs – Repaired on 23rd March 2021. • A disturbing advert was found at the bus shelter. This has since been handed to the police to investigate. • Sustrans are looking to improve the surface quality of the existing section of the cycle path from the back of Turf Lane to Milksey Lane (funded by a Government department). They would like to survey the ponds by taking water samples to find out if great crested newts are present as the ponds are within 250 metres of the section of path to be improved. If these newts are present they will ensure that the resurfacing/reconditioning works include mitigation to safeguard these species. GPC have agreed to this survey. • HCC - Posts for Ashwell common are still possible but will need to be revisited in the coming financial year's budget. • Stevenage Skip hire – Two complaints have been received about Stevenage Skip Hire lorries driving through the village to get to their site on Jacks Hill. An email was sent to them to remind them of the condition of the planning permission granted by the NHDC that they should not be travelling through the village but accessing instead via the A1M North. They have replied to apologise and confirmed that they have informed all drivers that they must not use Graveley High Street unless they need to for deliveries in the village.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Illegal Encampment up at the woodland near Grinders End/Ashwell Common – Wymondley Parish Council are following this up with Cllr Terry Tyler (NHDC). • Surface dressing on Graveley High Street. Road repairs to continue Sunday 9th May to Tuesday 11th May 2021 from 9.30am-4pm. Note has been added to the home page of the Graveley web site. • Playground – A replacement Poly fix T joint has been fitted to the climbing net on the Adventure item – Councillor Griffin has fitted this. • Email received. A planning application that is intended to be submitted by late-April 2021, relating to the land west of North Road, Stevenage. Whilst it does not fall within the Graveley Parish, it is nearby and will probably have an impact on traffic, etc to the village. This email has been forwarded onto the residents of numbers 2 and 4 High Street. Stevenage Borough Council will undertake a statutory consultation process once the application has been formally submitted. • Infrastructure consultation - Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government have launched a consultation is looking at how to implement the proposals submitted in August 2019 and to support the deployment of 5g and extend mobile coverage. Responses by 21st May 2021 to NALC – the GPC can respond directly to their questions. • Sign for church – Chased up after March meeting. HCC will be ordering this and get this installed in the next few weeks It will be a back to back sign reading ‘Church’ fixed to the existing lamp column in the High Street opposite the Church Lane junction. Cost of sign £340.00.
21/027	<p>Date of the next Annual Council meeting.</p> <p>To consider the expiration of the current coronavirus restrictions (expiring on 7th May 2021) and rescheduling of the Annual Council meeting to an alternative date in May (4th, 5th or 6th) via video conferencing.</p> <p>It was agreed that the next Annual Council meeting would take place on Tuesday 4th May 2021.</p> <p>Resolved. Proposed by Cllr Griffin. Seconded by Cllr Millard. Unanimously agreed.</p>
21/028	<p>Date of the next Annual Parish meeting.</p> <p>To consider the expiration of the current coronavirus restrictions (expiring on 7th May 2021) and rescheduling of the Annual Parish meeting to an alternative date in May (4th, 5th or 6th) via video conferencing.</p> <p>It was agreed that the next Annual Council meeting would take place on Tuesday 4th May 2021.</p> <p>Resolved. Proposed by Cllr Griffin. Seconded by Cllr Millard. Unanimously agreed.</p>
21/029	<p>Items for consideration at next meeting</p> <p>To suggest agenda items for the next meeting of the Graveley Parish Council on Tuesday 4th May 2021. None suggested.</p>
Meeting closed at 8.28pm.	

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