

**TURWESTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 21 NOVEMBER 2017**

**Present:** Cllrs D Richards (Chairman), A Kirkland, H Morrison, J Tilley, A Green, H Sime (Parish Clerk).

**In Attendance:** No members of the public were present.

		Action
1.	<b>Apologies for absence:</b> Cllr P Fealey (AVDC), Cllr C Clare (Bucks CC).	
2.	<b>Declarations of Interest:</b> The Councillors declared an interest in item 8 of the Agenda as all their properties were affected by the proposed HS2 Rail Link. Members would take a practical view and represent the interests of the electorate.	
3.	<b>Minutes:</b> The Minutes of the meeting held on 26 September 2017 were approved as a true and accurate record. Proposed Cllr Kirkland, seconded Cllr Morrison.	
4.	<b>County Councillor &amp; District Councillor Reports:</b> None.	
5.	<b>Parish Road/Paths/Verges:</b>	
i)	AVDC has given consent for work to the trees on The Green. A request has been made to Bucks County Council for this work to be carried out. Dave Smith confirmed on 30 October that this request has been passed to the tree surgeons. Cllr Morrison expressed concern at the delay and will contact South Bucks tree surgeons direct.	<b>HM</b>
ii)	The voluntary litter pick on 21 October was well attended and refreshments were provided by The Stratton Arms. Clerk has sent a note to The Link.	<b>Clerk</b>
iii)	Public Footpath No 8 (part) Biddlesden and No 6 Turweston Diversion Order 2017 – The Parish Council has confirmed to Phil Turner (Bucks CC Footpaths Officer) that there are no further objections to the diversion order. Additional comments in respect of Application 16/01671/APP have also been sent to Bill Nicholson (AVDC Planning Officer).	
6.	<b>Report on Planning:</b> <b>Applications:</b> <b>17/03818/ATC The Chestnuts, The Green, Turweston:</b> Mature Walnut front garden - To reduce to shape, compact and balance crown by reducing crown by circa 2-4 metres pruning to suitable/viable growth points and remove deadwood. Clear B.T. and electrical cables. <b>No comments requested.</b> <b>17/A1695/NON Kirkstones, The Green, Turweston:</b> Non Material Amendment sought on planning permission <b>17/01695/APP</b> relating to installation of wider bi-fold doors in the living/dining area. Change from timber joinery to upvc as existing. Lowering of floor levels in new front extension to 150mm below existing floor levels. <b>No comments requested.</b> <b>Decisions</b> <b>17/03398/ALB The Stratton Arms, Main St, Turweston:</b> Replacement windows. <b>Approved.</b> <b>17/03435/ATC Turweston Barn, Main St, Turweston:</b> Ash 1 - Fell suppressed Ash because of excessive shading. Alder 2 - Fell, too large for site. Alder 3 - Reduce by 30%. <b>Approved.</b> <b>17/01651/APP Hill Top Stables Turweston Hill Farm Brackley Road Turweston:</b> Erection of temporary groom/managers accommodation with ancillary storage. <b>Approved.</b>	

7.	<b>Brackley Developments – Traffic Calming Project:</b> Quotations have been received from Complete Ground Management Ltd and Wilby Tree Surgeons Limited. Cllr Richards had produced a comparison report. Next steps were agreed and Clerk to liaise with Cllr Morrison on further information required.	<b>Clerk HM</b>																																																																																																												
8.	<b>HS2 Rail Link:</b> <b>i)</b> Bucks Compensation & Mitigation Meeting, 12 October. This included a presentation by Groundwork UK on the Community & Environment Fund. Cllr Richards has received an update from Jackie Copcutt, which he will forward to village organisations. Cllr Morrison to contact Jackie Copcutt to ask for minutes of the meeting.  <b>ii)</b> A meeting took place at Turweston on 26 October with HS2 and Western Power to discuss options for diversion of power lines around the village. Cllr Morrison has circulated notes from the meeting. A further meeting has been arranged for Monday 11 December. Cllr Morrison to contact Cheryl Snudden (HS2) to ask what the object of this meeting is.  <b>iii)</b> STOP HS2 Account Balance as at 21 November - £200.	<b>DR HM</b>																																																																																																												
9.	<b>Report on the Playing Field:</b> <b>i)</b> Cllr Tilley has inspected the Playing Field on a regular basis during October and reported that it has been a quiet month with very little litter. Cllr Green is inspecting in November. There are mole hills, but these will be dealt with in February. Hedge cutting has been done well.  <b>ii)</b> The Clerk confirmed that the Charity Commission Annual Return has been submitted online.																																																																																																													
10.	<b>Buckingham LAF:</b> Minutes of the meeting on 24 October have been received and circulated to the Parish Council.																																																																																																													
11.	<b>Turweston Airfield:</b> Nothing to report.																																																																																																													
12.	<b>Website update:</b> The Clerk had contacted HugoFox to ask whether a counter could be added to the website, but this is not possible.																																																																																																													
13.	<b>To Report on the Accounts:</b> <b>i)</b> Copies of the accounts to date and the bank reconciliation were circulated previously. Treasurer’s A/C at 21 November 2017:15271.94 Business A/C:15541.12. The Chairman approved and signed the bank reconciliation. <b>Payments/Receipts:</b> <table><tr><th>Payee</th><th>Gross</th><th>Net</th><th>VAT</th><th>Cheque</th><th>Details</th></tr><tr><td></td><td>£</td><td>£</td><td>£</td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td><b>Invoices paid</b></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Cartwright Landscapes</td><td>189.00</td><td>157.50</td><td>31.50</td><td>693</td><td>Grass Cutting – June</td></tr><tr><td>Cartwright Landscapes</td><td>189.00</td><td>157.50</td><td>31.50</td><td>698</td><td>Grass Cutting – July</td></tr><tr><td>Mrs H Sime</td><td>759.99</td><td></td><td></td><td>S/O</td><td>Clerk’s Salary Jun – Sept</td></tr><tr><td>Cartwright Landscapes</td><td>189.00</td><td>157.50</td><td>31.50</td><td>699</td><td>Grass Cutting – August</td></tr><tr><td>St Mary’s Church PCC</td><td>200.00</td><td></td><td></td><td>700</td><td>Upkeep of Churchyard</td></tr><tr><td>E-ON</td><td>56.55</td><td>53.86</td><td>2.69</td><td>701</td><td>Electricity 1/7/17 - 30/09/17</td></tr><tr><td><b>Invoices to be paid</b></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Cartwright Landscapes</td><td>189.00</td><td>157.50</td><td>31.50</td><td>702</td><td>Grass Cutting – September</td></tr><tr><td>J V Wincott</td><td>54.00</td><td>45.00</td><td>9.00</td><td>703</td><td>Hedgecutting</td></tr><tr><td><b>Receipts</b></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Bank interest</td><td>0.70</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>AVDC</td><td>3500.00</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>Precept 2<sup>nd</sup> payment</td></tr><tr><td><b>Payee</b></td><td><b>Gross</b></td><td><b>Net</b></td><td><b>VAT</b></td><td><b>Ch</b></td><td><b>Details</b></td></tr><tr><td>Cartwright Landscapes</td><td>94.50</td><td>78.75</td><td>15.75</td><td>704</td><td>Grass Cutting – October</td></tr><tr><td>Aylesbury Mains Ltd</td><td>84.72</td><td>70.60</td><td>14.12</td><td>705</td><td>Repair Street Light (No 1)</td></tr></table>	Payee	Gross	Net	VAT	Cheque	Details		£	£	£			<b>Invoices paid</b>						Cartwright Landscapes	189.00	157.50	31.50	693	Grass Cutting – June	Cartwright Landscapes	189.00	157.50	31.50	698	Grass Cutting – July	Mrs H Sime	759.99			S/O	Clerk’s Salary Jun – Sept	Cartwright Landscapes	189.00	157.50	31.50	699	Grass Cutting – August	St Mary’s Church PCC	200.00			700	Upkeep of Churchyard	E-ON	56.55	53.86	2.69	701	Electricity 1/7/17 - 30/09/17	<b>Invoices to be paid</b>						Cartwright Landscapes	189.00	157.50	31.50	702	Grass Cutting – September	J V Wincott	54.00	45.00	9.00	703	Hedgecutting	<b>Receipts</b>						Bank interest	0.70					AVDC	3500.00				Precept 2 <sup>nd</sup> payment	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Gross</b>	<b>Net</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Ch</b>	<b>Details</b>	Cartwright Landscapes	94.50	78.75	15.75	704	Grass Cutting – October	Aylesbury Mains Ltd	84.72	70.60	14.12	705	Repair Street Light (No 1)	
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<b>13.</b>	<b>To Report on the Accounts contd:</b>	
<b>ii)</b>	Expenditure against the budget statement for 2017/18 to date had been previously circulated and was unanimously approved.	
<b>iii)</b>	The precept recommendation for 2018/19 had been previously circulated. Based on a Band D property, the taxbase has been calculated at 114.47 per household per annum. Following a discussion it was unanimously agreed to increase the precept from £7000 to £7200, resulting in a slight decrease per household of 0.37p. Proposed Cllr Richards, seconded Cllr Morrison. Clerk to notify AVDC.	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>14.</b>	<p><b>Matters raised by Councillors:</b></p> <p>Cllr Morrison had been contacted by Janet Collins, who is concerned about a number of large horseboxes that are sited at The Stratton Arms. Cllr Richards to speak to Philip Caley.</p> <p>Janet Collins is also concerned about permanent high level security lighting from The Stratton Arms, which is causing a nuisance. It was agreed that this is not a matter for the Parish Council and Cllr Morrison will suggest that Janet should contact Environmental Health.</p>	<b>HM</b>
<b>15.</b>	<p><b>Clerk's Correspondence:</b></p> <p>All as circulated previously by email.</p>	
<b>16.</b>	<p><b>Date of next meeting:</b></p> <p>Date of next meeting and further meetings in 2018.</p> <p>Tuesday 23 January, 6.30 pm</p> <p>Tuesday 20 March, 6.30 pm</p> <p>Tuesday 1 May, 6.30 pm Annual Meeting of the Parish Council</p> <p>Thursday 17 May, 8.00 pm Annual Parish Meeting</p> <p>Tuesday 24 July, 6.30 pm</p> <p>Tuesday 25 September, 6.30 pm</p> <p>Tuesday 20 November, 6.30 pm</p>	
	The meeting closed at 8.30 pm.	

**Signed:** ..... **Date:** .....