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Graveley Parish Council Meeting Minutes of the Full Parish Council taken on Tuesday 18th October 2022 at Graveley Village Hall, High Street, Graveley, Hertfordshire, SG4 7LB at 8.00pm

Council	Cllr Jez Atkinson	
members	Cllr Martin Griffin – Chair	
present:	Cllr Helen Lumley	
	Cllr Rob Millard – Vice Chair	
In attendance:	Danielle Galvan (Clerk & RFO to the Council)	
	Cllr George Davies	
22/081	Apologies - Cllr Johnie Thorpe	
22/082	Interests	
	To receive declarations of Interest from Councillors on items on the Agenda and to	
	consider any requests for dispensation. Cllr Griffin made a declaration of interest for	
	agenda item $22/086$ (a).	
22/083	Minutes	
	a) To confirm the Minutes of the Graveley Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 27 th	
	September 2022 as a true and accurate record of proceedings and be duly signed by	
	the Chairman.	
	Resolved. Proposed by Cllr Griffin. Seconded by Cllr Lumley. Unanimously agreed.	
22/084	Public Issues	
	Cllr Lumley raised the issue of speeding lorries coming through the village during the	
	night whilst the A1M has been closed for road works on behalf of a few residents.	
	Reports of lorries driving through the village at speeds of up to 70mph. It was requested	
	for the Clerk to raise this with Cllr Jarvis (HCC) to ask for temporary 30mph signs to be	
	erected in the village for any future road diverts into Graveley Village.	
	It was also raised the that the street light outside No.2 Ashwell Close is still out of order,	
	despite having been reported to HCC.	
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22/085	Reports from County & District Councillors, Police and others Cllr Davies reported that Local Plan meeting will take place on 8 th November 2022. There is the issue about the number of houses in the plan against 2014 and 2018 figures. The inspector found to agree with the lower 2018's OAN figures (the objective assessment of housing need) but to include a buffer/uplift.
	8.10pm – Cllr Griffin left the meeting room. Cllr Millard chaired Agenda item 22/086(a).
22/086	 Finance To authorise payments made in accordance with the budget. a) To authorise the payment schedule for October 2022. Payment schedule was agreed. Resolved. Proposed by Cllr Millard. Seconded by Cllr Atkinson. Unanimously agreed. 8.13pm – Cllr Griffin re-joined the meeting. b) To agree an additional signatory (Cllr Atkinson) to become a Nat West cheque signatory for GPC. It was agreed by all to add Cllr Atkinson as a signatory to the Nat West Mandate. Resolved. Proposed by Cllr Griffin. Seconded by Cllr Millard. Unanimously agreed.
22/087	 Planning a) To discuss/agree the possibility of the GPC Planning working party to start a discussion with the NHDC planning office/Developer for a Parish Council office in the new development area. A facility that GPC could use too. It was agreed that this discussion should be underway with the NHDC. Cllr Davies suggested the point of contact at the NHDC in the first instance should be Simon Ellis (Development and Conservation Manager). Cllr Lumley and Cllr Atkinson agreed to undertake this action with the support of the Planning Working Party before Christmas and report back to the GPC. Resolved. Proposed by Cllr Griffin. Seconded by Cllr Atkinson. Unanimously agreed b) To feedback to the GPC members on the recent NHDC PAS Zoom training undertaken by Cllr Griffin. Cllr Griffin referred to his summary previously sent out to the GPC members and gave best practice advice on material conditions that the NHDC would consider when commenting on any planning application sent to the GPC.
22/088	Culvert at Pondside – To discuss and consider a request for the riparian owner of the public house (Waggon & Horses) to clean out the culvert. HCC have responded to the follow up email. The Clerk has asked for HCC to find out who the riparian owner is as there was some question from the minutes in May 2019 meeting it might be Highways/public house. HCC to respond after investigating. No vote taken.
22/089	 Clerks report. The overgrowing hedge by the bus shelter was reported to the NHDC as people waiting inside the shelter could not see out of the window. HCC came back via email to say it was not priority. The Clerk asked Richard Gibbs who cuts back the hedge in the playground. A big thank you to Richard who has kindly cut back the hedge by the bus shelter and at no charge.

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	• Thank you to Retail Plastix & Graphix at Weston who have produced the two new	
	Playground signs, for enhancing and providing Graveley Parish Logo, at no charge.	
	• LGA are offering free Zoom training courses for Councillors on personal safety & a Handling Opling Abuse and Intimidation Wabiner	
	Handling Online Abuse and Intimidation Webinar.	
	• The Clerk will be adding a link on the Graveley Parish web site to Hertshelp, a network of community organisations that can help residents' with independent	
	information, advice and support.	
	• 1a High Street – It was confirmed by the Monitoring and Enforcement Office of the	
	HCC that car breaking operation has ceased (the GPC were previously unaware of	
	this); with the remaining use on the site being solely car storage. These cars are	
	roadworthy & there is no decommissioning works taking place. It has been	
	confirmed that there is no waste related/breaking operation now being carried out, the ongoing use of the land for car storage would not be a matter for the county	
	council to regulate. This use would come under the remit of NHDC.	
	• Quotes for maintaining the village benches will be revisited in spring. If there are any	
	volunteers that have the skills to help maintain the benches to repair and repaint,	
	please contact the Clerk (parishclerk@graveley.org.uk). GPC will pay for the	
	materials within budget, but would like volunteers to come forward to help.	
	• North Hertfordshire Council Draft Developer Contributions SPD consultation and	
	will be published for public consultation between the following dates: 13 October	
22/090	2022 to 5pm on 16 November 2022 via the NHDC web site. Items for consideration at next meeting	
22/070	To suggest agenda items for the next meeting of the Graveley Parish Council on Tuesday	
	15 th November 2022. None.	
	Meeting closed at 8.40pm	

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