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Councillors are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Parish Council, which has been arranged for **Wednesday 9th December 2020**. To be held at 7.30pm for the transaction of the business shown on the agenda below. Due to the current government coronavirus response, the parish council will be meeting online using Zoom.us. Meeting ID: 687 728 5966.

David Brough – Clerk to Harrold Parish Council

AGENDA

1. **Public Open Forum (15 minutes):** This council is committed to community engagement and therefore warmly invites members of the public to contribute during this part of the meeting.
 - **During the Public Open Forum:** Members of the public should note that the council is only allowed to take decisions on topics that are publicised on the agenda; items not on the agenda can be carried forward for a response at a later date. Any questions not presented to the council far enough in advance of the meeting may be noted and responded to at a later time.
 - **After the Public Open Forum:** Members of the public are asked to respect the fact that this is a meeting to conduct council business and interruptions during the remainder of the meeting are not permitted.
2. **To receive apologies for absence and introductions**
3. **Disclosure of Interest** – members are invited to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they may have in any items on the Agenda.
4. **Requests to grant dispensations for disclosed interests**
5. **Approval of Minutes** from the Parish Council meeting held 11th November 2020.
6. **Cooption**
To consider coopting to fill the vacant councillor position. One applicant has come forward and provided their profile to the council.
7. **Clerk's report:**
Items sat with Bedford BC Highways:
 - Resolving the flooding of the zebra crossing – additional gulleys are planned to be installed. The poor state of the pavement by the Fish bar – works order has been raised.

- Change to parking signage where additional parking restrictions have been put in place around The Green – clerk has chased.
- Resolving bridge traffic lights issue/resurfacing bridge/relocating flood sensors. New traffic light system design being created. Install now expected in early January.
- New bollard – corner of Orchard Lane/High St. Approved and works order raised.

Items sat with Street Ranger:

- Installing dog bag dispensers – on hold for social distancing reasons
- Fixing broken bollards on The Green – additional bollards need fixing

8. Correspondence (requiring council attention):

- *Parishioner emailed requesting permanent parking restrictions by 62 High St to aid the flow of vehicles in this area. Email has been sent to councillors.*
- *Parishioner emailed requesting assistance in applying a TPO to trees opposite the junction on Wood Road. This has been agenda to the agenda upon request from Cllr Tickle.*

9. Finance Report

- Approval for requests for monthly payments and noting of income, P&L variance and balances.

Ref #	Invoice Date	Payment	Details	Gross	Income
Trans126	18 November 2020	Staff costs	Salaries & PAYE	2,261.15	
Trans127	18 November 2020	Other: Various	Geyserclean - Buttermarket roof clea	385.00	
Trans128	18 November 2020	Xmas projector income	Sale of Xmas light projectors		100.00
Trans129	23 November 2020	Other: Various	Morelock - replacement batteries	130.80	
Trans130	25 November 2020	Xmas projector income	Sale of Xmas light projectors		100.00
Trans131	09 December 2020	Project: HPFA Pavilion	Inv4: PWC Building Control Services	408.00	
Trans132	09 December 2020	Other: Various	Xmas Tree base: Postcrete	9.50	
Trans133	09 December 2020	Other: Various	Bletsoe PC: Issues & Options consul	38.46	
Trans134	09 December 2020	Project: Neighbourhood plan	BRCC: Consultation survey costs	1,313.28	
Trans135	09 December 2020	Other: Various	Fawns Playgrounds - new swings	6,212.83	
Trans136	09 December 2020	Other: Various	Fawns Playgrounds - repairs	4,146.51	
Trans137	09 December 2020	Other: Various	Christmas Lights - Amps	3,079.19	
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Accounts

Natwest Current Account	57,803	
Natwest Bonus Saver	75,259	
Bucks Building Society	0	CLOSED
TOTAL at Bank	133,063	
Funds allocated	107,845	
General Reserve (estimated)	25,218	
TOTAL Funds	133,063	

- To discuss the budget for 2021/22 so that it can be approved in the January meeting.

10. Planning applications

New

- *APPLICATION NO: 20/02754/FUL Full Planning Application*
PROPOSAL: Two storey front and side extensions and single storey rear extension following the demolition of existing attached garage.
LOCATION : 142A High Street Harrold Bedford Bedfordshire MK43 7EA
- *APPLICATION NO: 20/02591/LBC Listed Building Consent Application*
PROPOSAL: New flat roof to existing rear extension
LOCATION : 85 High Street Harrold Bedford Bedfordshire MK43 7BJ
- *Applicant has amended the below application – previously No Objection*
Amended version:
APPLICATION No 20/02297/TPO TYPE: Tree Preservation Order Application
PROPOSAL: T1 Purple Plum - Remove to ground level. T2 Copper Beech - Crown Lift to 4m inside the garden only. T3 Weeping Willow - Crown lift to 4 metres, reduce in height by 2 metres and in width by 1.5 metres
LOCATION : 1 Hall Close Harrold Bedford Bedfordshire MK43 7DU
Original version:
APPLICATION NO: 20/02297/TPO Tree Preservation Order Application
PROPOSAL: T1 - Purple Plum - Remove to ground level. T2 - Copper Beech - Crown Lift to 4m inside the garden only. T3 - Weeping Willow -Remove to ground level.
LOCATION : 1 Hall Close Harrold Bedford Bedfordshire MK43 7DU
- **APPEAL BY:** Catesby Promotions Limited - Ed Barrett
PROPOSAL : Demolition of existing agricultural buildings and outline planning permission for residential development of up to 90 dwellings...
PLANNING NO: 19/00842/MAO **INSPECTORATE NO:** APP/K0235/W/19/3234032
LOCATION : Land Adjacent Harrold Lake Odell Road Harrold Bedfordshire
“The appeal made to the Planning Inspectorate in relation to the failure of the Borough Council to determine the application is to be re-determined following a High Court challenge to the Inspector’s decision on the appeal. This does not necessarily mean that the Inspector will reach a different overall decision. A Public Inquiry will be held as a virtual meeting commencing at 10:00am on 20.04.2021 over multiple days.”

Updates on previous applications (Where HPC objected)

- *APPLICATION NO: 20/02397/TPO Tree Preservation Order Application*
PROPOSAL: Reduce Beech Trees by 50%, fell 8 Beech trees to ground level, crown reduce lime tree by 30% and remove dead wood *LOCATION : 4 Hall Close Harrold Bedford Bedfordshire MK43 7DU*
Parish Council: Objected. Bedford BC Planning: Awaiting decision

11. Crime statistics and information and intelligence exchange

The crime report for 28th October to 30th November showed one “Theft from a motor vehicle” on Peach’s Close.

12. Christmas Carol Event

To consider granting permission for the Harrold Baptist Church to hold a public Christmas carol event using The Green. The organiser will be confirming which part of the government’s guidance on Covid-19 they are applying to the event, and also providing a Risk Assessment.

13. Tree Preservation Order for Wood Road trees

Proposed by Cllr Tickle in response to correspondence:

To consider requesting Bedford BC to apply TPOs to three trees on Wood Road that could potentially be removed during development – this is near the entrance to a site in the Neighbourhood Plan. This would make it more difficult for the trees to be removed.

14. Borough Councillor's report for Harrold Ward

To be distributed to councillors prior to the meeting and made available on the parish council website

15. Annual Insurance

To approve the annual insurance policy. Three quotes have been provided by broker Came & Company.

16. Streetlights

To approve the final quote to upgrade the parish council owned streetlights to LED. Three quotes have been provided.

17. New trees

Proposed by Cllr Turner:

To consider a proposal for new trees in various public areas in Harrold, based on the original work carried out by councillors in 2018.

18. Neighbourhood Plan

- To receive a progress update on the Neighbourhood Plan, including a proposal from the Steering Group as to how to proceed with the plan in light of the loss of the Priory Farm/New Road site.
- To decide whether to release the consultant from Regeneration Positive from January, or to move to a retainer fee of £125 a month based on the reduced amount of effort required (previously £250)

19. HPFA Pavilion

To receive a progress update on the pavilion refurbishment being undertaken by the HPFA (Harrold Playing Field Association), with financial support from the parish council.

20. Noting of items for future agendas – no decisions can be taken

Date of next meeting: **Wednesday 13th January 2021 via Zoom**