# MICHELMERSH & TIMSBURY PARISH COUNCIL

**A Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 18th October 2017 at 7.30 p.m. in the Jubilee Hall, Timsbury**

**Members of the public and press are most welcome to attend.**

## AGENDA

Apologies

1. Attendees
2. Declarations of any Interest.
3. **Open Period**
4. Confirmation of Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 27th September 2017
5. Clerk's Report

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6. Village Issues

   6.1 Sports Club issues
   6.2 Recreation ground – firework displays
   6.3 Virgin Media – possible village meeting

7. Planning

7.1 17/02449/FULLS
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7.2 17/02457/TREES
Tree works
Michelmersh House, Haccups Lane, Michelmersh

8. Correspondence
   8.1 Boundary Commission changes to ward boundaries
9. Finance
   9.1 Financial Summary
   9.2 Invoices for payment
10. Meetings attended or to be attended
11. Chairman's Mandate
12. Agenda items to be included in next month's Parish Council Meeting
13. Dates of future meetings – Wednesday 22nd November 2017

Katie Hardy, Parish Clerk Tel: 01794 367289 email: mtparishclerk@btinternet.com 12th October 2017

# Michelmersh & Timsbury Parish Council

## Clerk's Report to PC Meeting of 18th October 2017

# 1. TVBC and HCC Determinations

**1.1 17/02138/FULLS**

Erection of electronic wooden entrance gates -
Goldcrest , Mesh Road, Michelmersh
Decision: Permission granted

**1.2 17/02030/FULLS**

Change use of land to accommodate electricity battery storage units within containers and installation of fencing - Former Timsbury Manor Quarry, Stockbridge Road, Timsbury
Decision: Refused on the following grounds:
01. The site is situated in a countryside location as defined by the Test Valley Borough Revised Local Plan 2016. The applicant has failed to demonstrate that there is an essential need for the proposed development to be located in the countryside. There are no other material planning considerations that w ould indicate that planning permission should be granted contrary to the development plan. The proposals are therefore contrary to policy COM2 of the Test Valley Borough Revised Local Plan 2016.
02. Insufficient information has been submitted to demonstrate that the proposals would not result in any adverse noise impacts on surrounding residential amenities contrary to policy LHW4 of the Test Valley Borough Revised Local Plan 2016.

# 2. Village Issues

### *2.1 Sports Club Correspondence – letter in support of Cricket Cage funding application*

Michelmersh & Timsbury Sports Club

*9th October, 2017*

*Dear Sirs,*

***Protective-cage for practice-nets**:*

*We have been asked to write to you in support of Michelmersh & Timsbury Parish Council's application to your Community Asset Fund, for a 50% grant towards the cost of a barrier between our practice-nets and the adjacent children's play-area; and are happy to do so.*

*Since installation in 2010, the nets have become torn through a small amount of vandalism and a large amount of use; and, although the netting is regularly and frequently inspected and patched, it is a constant concern that balls will escape into the Play Area – which they occasionally do. The construction of a barrier between the two is a must if the nets are not to be closed.*

*It was a condition of the Hampshire Cricket Board, the major funders of the nets, that they be freely available to the general-public without charge; and this they are. In fact the nets are and always have been more extensively used by non-Club-members.*

*Yours sincerely,*
*for Michelmersh & Timsbury Sports Club,*

## 2.2 National Grid - Michelmersh AGI Upgrade

*Dear Katie,*

*I hope you're well.*

*I understand that work on site has been going to plan and is therefore passing largely under the radar of the local community. However, I wanted to follow up from our meeting in July to see whether the parish council has discussed any support we can offer to the local area?*

*Do let me know if there's anything that comes to mind!*

*Kind regards,*

*Ellie*

*Ellie Naismith | Consultant*

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## 2.3 Virgin Media Meeting

*Hi Katie,*

*I am forwarding the email below which I gave Bob a paper copy of earlier in the week. As Virgin are now committed to building their fibre network in M&T they would like to hold a village meeting before the end of the year, if this is something the parish council wishes to be involved in please can you contact Adrian.*

*Best regards*

*Dave Loescher*

*-----Original Message-----*
*From: Smith, Adrian*
*Sent: 09 October 2017 17:00*

*Hi Dave,*

*As per Cate's intro email, I'm the Regional Community Liaison Manager.*
*Edward Wicks is your Community Liaison Officer and as such is the man to sort out the meeting (we can definitely fit one on before the Christmas period).*
*Unfortunately Edward is on annual leave currently but will be back in the office from next week. Would you be able to pass on our contact details to the Parish Clerk so we can open up the discussion around best dates for the Community Information Event please?*
*We look to have around two hours in the village hall where there will be some info points that the residents can move around and find out some answers to their questions. It's not usually a formal affair where we run a power point show, rather an informal drop in session where if you have one question it can be answered quickly and not take up too much of your time.*

*Many Thanks*

*Adrian*

*Adrian Smith*
*Regional Community and Wayleave Manager | Network Expansion Virgin Media*

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Chairman:
Mr. Robert Davis, The Holt, Rudd Lane, Upper Timsbury, Romsey, Hants, SO51 0NU
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11 October 2017

Cllr. Roy Perry
Leader of Hampshire County Council
Hampshire County Council
The Castle
Winchester
Hampshire
SO23 8UJ

Our Ref: KH240October2017

Dear Cllr. Perry,

**Re: Possible Closures of Household Waste Recycling Centres**

The Parish Council understands that the County Council is again considering the closure of some household waste recycling centres, to reduce costs, although there has been no formal notification of this possibility, and it appears that no public consultation is proposed.

On behalf of residents, the Parish Council vigorously supports the continued operation of the Casbrook (Bunny Lane) site. Although one of the smaller sites, it is well run by very helpful staff, efficient and always busy, being used by residents in Romsey and the southern Test Valley villages. If this site were to be closed, these users would need to travel to more distant sites (Eastleigh or Andover) to dispose of items that cannot be deposited in the household bins. Apart from the inconvenience, this would result in additional costs to residents and increased traffic movements and associated pollution and congestion.

The other concerns, which are widely-voiced, is that closing a local site would lead to an increase of fly-tipping by irresponsible individuals, and 'backyard burning'. Both of these activities are clearly very undesirable.

No doubt the same concerns will be raised by users of other HWRCs and the Parish Council urges HCC to retain these sites. Limiting opening hours, or making a charge for using the sites (although we understand that charging for household waste is not currently lawful) would be far preferable to closure.

The Parish Council asks you, as our representative, to give strong support to these views during the County Council's discussions on the future of HWRCs, and the Bunny Lane site in particular.

Kind regards

Katie Hardy

Parish Clerk to Michelmersh & Timsbury Parish Council

**HCC Response to ref: KH240October2017**

*Dear Katie*

*Any proposed changes to the household waste recycling centres (HWRCs) are proposals only at this stage. No decisions have yet been taken and all proposals will be subject to further approval processes within the County Council, taking place over the coming months.*

*Any proposed changes will also be subject to further public consultation, likely to happen in 2018. For further information, please see this press release: www.hants.gov.uk/news/sep12balancingbudget*

*You are encouraged to regularly refer to the County Council website (www.hants.gov.uk) as this is where notice of the consultation will be placed at the appropriate time.*

*Regards*

*Roy Perry*

*Leader, Hampshire County Council*

*2.5 Speed Limit concerns*

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11th October 2017

Martin Wiltshire
Assistant Manager – Traffic & Safety
Safety Engineering Team
Economy, Transport and Environment Department
Hampshire County Council

Our Ref: KH238Oct2017

Dear Mr Wiltshire

**REF: Road Safety, Michelmersh**

Thank you for your response (dated 29th August 2017) with regards to the Parish Council's request for Hampshire County Council to consider implementing 20mph speed limit on our village lanes to prevent speeding, increase pedestrian safety and to preserve the eroding verges.

The Parish Council understands the research process HCC needs to conduct in order to measure the effectiveness of 20 mph speed limits. However, it would like to request that HCC relocates the 'derestriction' sign on Haccups Lane. The section of Haccups Lane closest to Rudd Lane is currently within the 30mph zone but the road then becomes a derestricted area as it heads towards Michelmersh, however the de-restricted area is very narrow and is highly populated with dwellings on both sides of the lane.

The Parish Council considers that this derestriction sign 'sends the wrong message' to drivers, and in the case of non-residents who are not familiar with the area leads them to believe that they are leaving the built-up part of the village, which is not the case. In the Parish Council's view the speed limit should commence at or close to the village boundary. The position of the notional 'boundary' might be a matter for debate, but it is clearly not at the position where the current speed limit/derestriction sign is positioned.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

Katie Hardy
Parish Clerk
On behalf of Michelmersh and Timsbury Parish Council

**HCC Response to ref: KH238Oct2017**

*Dear Mrs Hardy,*

*Thank you for your letter dated 11 October 2017 requesting changes to the speed limit on Haccups Lane.*

*As indicated in my previous response, keeping Hampshire's roads safe and well maintained is a priority for the County Council and we do this by directing our resources towards those locations where there is evidence accidents are occurring and the introduction of traffic and safety measures are most likely to reduce these. The Traffic & Safety Group has access to the Police database of all injury-accidents reported in Hampshire and this is used to prioritise our programmes of traffic and safety schemes.*

*We are therefore focussing our resources on dealing with casualty reduction with those sites that have casualty incidents are being prioritised above other locations.*

*The Council receives many requests for measures to address potential or perceived hazards, but where injury-accidents are not occurring. In these circumstances, engineering measures or traffic regulations, such as lower speed limits, will not improve the safety record, and our limited resources are more effectively targeted at locations with proven recurring patterns or clusters of injury-accidents and where it is felt that measures will help to reduce these incident occurring.*

*With no injury accidents reported within the conservation area which covers Haccups Lane, this situation is very difficult to improve upon and this area does not warrant any further measures at present, compared with other less fortunate locations.*

*I appreciate this may not be the answer that your Council was hoping for, but I hope this clarifies the position.*

*Regards*

*Martin Wiltshire*
*Assistant Manager – Traffic & Safety*
*Economy, Transport and Environment Department*
*Hampshire County Council*

# 3. Financial Summary

| Monthly Financial Report 20th September - 17th October 2017 | | | 2017 Annual Item Budget | 2017 Category Spend to date | 2017 Category Budget remaining |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **PAYMENTS** | | | | | |
| **Cleared Payment** | | | | | |
| Katie Hardy | Salary - September 2017 | £411.67 | £4,940.00 | 2470.02 | £2,469.98 |
| Katie Hardy | Newsletter - ink cartridge | £52.99 | £100.00 | 79.81 | £20.19 |
| M&T Jubilee Hall | Admin - Room hire | £62.00 | £1,900.00 | 1053 | £847.00 |
| | **Total** | **£526.66** | | | |
| **Invoices for Payment** | | | | | |
| Katie Hardy | Salary - October 2017 | £411.67 | £4,940.00 | £2,881.69 | £2,058.31 |
| Katie Hardy | Newsletter - ink cartridge additional charge | £22.60 | £100.00 | £102.41 | -£2.41 |
| Five Star Cleaning | Grass cutting - Jubilee Hall | £288.00 | £1,500.00 | £945.00 | £555.00 |
| ICO | Annual fee | £35.00 | £35.00 | £35.00 | £0.00 |
| M&T Sports Club | Ground Maintenance Fee | £1,250.00 | £1,250.00 | £1,250.00 | £0.00 |
| | **Total** | **£2,007.27** | | | |
| Uncashed cheques | | | | | |
| | **Total** | **£0.00** | | | |
| Alloted project funds | | | | | |
| | **Total** | **£0.00** | | | |
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| **INCOME** | | | | | |
| Cleared Income | | | | | |
| Lloyds TSB | October Bank Interest | £0.33 | | | |
| TVBC | Precept payment | £7,750.00 | | | |
| | **Total** | **£7,750.33** | | | |
| Account Balances | | | | | |
| Lloyds TSB | 30 Day Savings Account | £8,698.78 | | | |
| Lloyds TSB | Current Account | £24,489.51 | | | |
| | **Total** | **£33,188.29** | | | |
| **Actual Funds available as of 17th October 2017** | | **£31,181.02** | | | |

# MICHELMERSH & TIMSBURY PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 18th October 2017 at 7.30 p.m. at the Jubilee Hall, Timsbury.

**Present:**
Parish Councillors: Cllr. Bob Davis, Cllr. Donald Cowling, Cllr. Peter Clarke, Cllr. Mike Lucas, Cllr. John Rhodes, Cllr. Helen Palmer, TVBC Cllr. Tony Ward and Parish Clerk, Mrs. K. Hardy

**1. Apologies**
HCC Cllr. Roy Perry, Cllr. Rory Fitzgerald

**2. Declarations of interest**.
Cllr. Donald Cowling declared an interest in any matter relating to the Jubilee Hall, as he is a member of the Jubilee Hall Committee.
Cllr. John Rhodes declared an interest in any matter relating to the Sports Club as he is a member of M&T Sports Club.

**Open Period**
**Planning**
Cllr. Bob Davis asked TVBC Cllr Tony Ward if TVBC was actively inviting landowners to have sites included in the Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (SHELAA) list or to be brought within the defined village settlement boundary (If the sites were currently outside). Cllr. Ward stated that this was not the case, although landowners who have previously put their land forward may be contacted to see if their land is still available to be included in the future.
Cllr. Ward stated that the housing needs of the area are not yet decided as the latest government planning guidelines have not yet been published.
Cllr. Ward suggested that the Parish Council attend the next planning workshop to be conducted by TVBC Planning Officer, Mr. Graham Smith.
**Neighbourhood Plan**
Cllr. Davis asked Cllr. Ward if it would be worth the Parish Council pursuing a Neighbourhood Plan to help influence any future housing development in the villages. The Parish Council had previously agreed not to embark on a Plan on the grounds of cost and resources and to review the progress of other villages working on Plans, including Kings Somborne. Cllr. Ward stated that a Plan could assist where houses could be located, but would not have a great deal of influence on the numbers of houses. New Government planning guidelines were expected to lead to a need for the villages to accommodate more housing.
**Ward Boundary Changes/Governance Review**
Cllr. Tony Ward stated that the recently approved Test Valley ward boundary changes will mean that the Parish would be represented by two ward councillors. Cllr. Rhodes asked if the new ward boundaries would have an effect on the Parish boundaries. Cllr. Ward stated that nothing would change unless the Parish Council requested a specific alteration. Cllr. Ward stated that the Governance Review consultation period commences on 13th November for a period of 11 weeks.
**Open Period Closed**

**4. Confirmation of Minutes**
The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 27th September were approved, following a couple of minor amendments.

**5. Clerk's Report**
**Hedges/Verges**
The Clerk informed the meeting that she had met with HCC Highways Manager to discuss the overhanging branches and encroaching hedgerows on New Road. HCC Highways will now pursue individual landowners to cut back where required.

**National Grid**

It was agreed that the Clerk ask National Grid to assist in filling some of the deep crevices at the edge of the village lane verges with Type 1 compacted aggregate to prevent further erosion caused by heavy vehicles. KH

**6. Village Issues**

**6.1 Sports Club issues**

It was noted that the Sports Club has now removed the astro -turf from the cricket pitch.

**6.2 Recreation ground** – firework displays

Following a parishioner request to conduct a fireworks display on the recreation ground, the Parish Council agreed that the display could only take place if it was conducted by a pyrotechnics professional with the appropriate Public Liability Insurance.

It was also agreed that the Clerk research other Council's Bye-Laws to understand other Council's policy on firework displays. KH

**6.3 Virgin Media** –requested village meeting to present proposals for fibre –to-the-home broadband.

It was agreed that the Clerk contact Virgin Media to arrange a public meeting in the Jubilee Hall. The Parish Council agreed to publicise the event and pay for the hall hire. KH

**7. Planning**

**7.1 17/02449/FULLS**

Single storey rear extension to form kitchen extension
Site: Tanglewood, New Road, Timsbury
Decision: No objection

**7.2 17/02457/TREES**

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Decision: No objection

**8. Correspondence**

**8.1 Boundary Commission** - changes to ward boundaries – no further comments

**8.2 Pensions Regulator** – the Parish Council has received its Acknowledgement of updated declaration of compliance.

**8.3 ICO** – the Parish Council has received its ICO Certificate of Registration – valid until 20th October 2018.

**8.4 M&T Sports Club** – letter in support of Community Asset Funding application for Cricket Net barriers.

**8.5 Appeal for 16/03004/FULLS** – The PC agreed that it would not submit any further comments unless additional information came to light. The PC agreed that Cllr. Bob Davis could submit the original comments again if he felt necessary before the 20th November deadline.

**9. Financial Matters.**

**9.1 Financial Summary**

Agreed

**9.2 Invoices for Payment**

Agreed

**10. Meetings attended and to be attended**

**11. Chairman's Mandate**

Agreed

**12. Agenda items to be included in the next monthly Parish Council Meeting**

**13. Dates of future meetings**

22nd November 2017

The meeting closed at 9.00pm
Katie Hardy

Parish Clerk, 20th October 2017