



HADDENHAM Parish Council

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DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Wednesday 13th April 2022, 7.00pm
Haddenham Village Hall

Present:

Parish Cllrs: Cllr G Smith, Cllr A Thawley, Cllr N Kidby, Cllr D Truesdale, Cllr J Wheeler, Cllr D O'Hanlon, Cllr S Sharp, Cllr D Hoare, Cllr H Garrett, Cllr V Poole, Cllr J Brown

Bucks Cllrs: Cllr G Smith

Clerk: Ms. S Gilbert

Deputy Clerk: Ms. E Marsden

Facilities Manager: Ms. J Allman

41 members of the public

Exhibitors:

Sustain

Redrow Homes

Climate Emergency Working Groups

Haddenham.net

Solar Panels

The Village Society

1. Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Mr G Oliver, Mr R Floud.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 28th April 2021 were **RESOLVED** as a true record and signed.

3. Presentation from Bean Beanland of the Heat Pump Federation

The Chairman welcomed Mr Beanland to the meeting who gave a ten minute informative and interesting presentation.

Mr Beanland began by saying that the vast majority of house heating within Haddenham is powered from gas. The overall gas carbon factor is low in relation to oil and bottle gas provision. He highlighted that heat pump heating is more common than people realise as they are used fridges, air conditioning units and in cars.

He highlighted that with the events with Russia there was concern about the amount of gas available. He explained that most condensing boilers are not working efficiently. If consumers ensured that their boilers were are the correct temperature as most are set too

high. The ideal range would be heating set between 60 and 65 degrees with return at 45 degrees which will allow the boiler to condense. With the settings set correctly this would lead to significant impact in reducing the gas dependency on countries such as Russia. Over the years the carbon emissions have improved as the country has move away from burning coal (and other fossil fuels) but more could be done and one way to reduce carbon is the installation of heat pumps.

Mr Beanland emphasised that heat pumps can be used in all housing stock including listed buildings and period properties and should be considered by all householders.

4. Presentation from Haddenham Parish Council Chair

Mr Truesdale presented a review of the past Council year and a quick look forward.

What we did in 2021/22

- May 21 Elections: welcomed 3 new Cllrs; all change at Bucks Council
- Reviewed how we organise ourselves: Committees & projects
- Day Centre refurb > Parish Office and Conference room, plus full VH external redecoration
- Entered new 2 year grounds maintenance contract with Aspire
- Completed transfer of playing fields at Tibbs Rd and...
- New pavilion contract started on site
- Signed legal agreement with Dandara for land transfer to PC at Aston Rd
- Produced and circulated updated Village Guide
- Refurbished Woodways play area
- Took over management responsibility for Woodways pavilion with new user Committee and licencing arrangements with sports groups
- Established new role of Facilities Manager
- Launched "Streetscape" project: 28th April workshop
- Planted 70 trees and hedges under BC contract with Forestry Commission
- Achieved Local Council Gold Quality award

Any issues?

- Sadly, mainly with Bucks Council
- Response about setting our tax base
- Response to loss of section of the old Churchway to Stanbridge Rd footpath
- Response to Platers Rd connectivity issue
- No progress with Thame-Haddenham or Haddenham-Aylesbury "greenways"
- Dealing with planning applications
- Teething/resourcing problems?

Business Plan highlights 2022/7

- Detailed Business and Action Plans available!
- Transfer of assets from developers
- Building/refurbishing our assets & premises
- Charities amalgamation
- Planning: Planning apps; Streetscape; Local Plan; "Greenways"
- Managing our facilities: BAU; plans & reserves; biodiversity; St Mary's walls; ponds; streetlights; supporting volunteers

- Climate Emergency: car club; decarbonising homes and premises; food waste; tree planting at scale; community energy?

Thanks go to

Our volunteers and partners at:

- the Allotments
- Bucks Council
- the village Charities
- Community Orchard
- Community Speedwatch
- reLeaf
- Snakemoor
- Zero Carbon Haddenham

Our Parish Councillors

Our staff – Sue, Emma, Jane & Kerrie

5. Open forum - registered electors of the parish were given the opportunity to raise issues.

Mr Thorogood gave thanks for his award which was represented outside the APM last year due to Covid. He extended his thanks to Mr Watson who now co-ordinates the maintenance at Snakemoor Nature Reserve.

Q Mrs Floud asked if home insulation was a priority within the Home Improvement Working Party group.

A Cllr O’Hanlon confirmed that insulation was part of the Home Improvement Working Group strategy.

Q Cllr Sharp asked if the Parish Council could provide a Speed Activated Device (SID) which details the speed of vehicles.

A The Clerk gave information that this would require funding and to promote the Speed Awareness Group of which there was a new lead volunteer in Haddenham.

There was a vote of thanks to Cllr Truesdale in recognition of his ongoing contribution to the community of Haddenham

The meeting closed at 20:40.

Signed: _____ DRAFT _____
David Truesdale, Chair

19th April 2023