

**Minutes of the Meeting of Full Council, Yaxley Parish Council
held by Zoom on 21st April 2020.**

Present:- Councillor R Butcher - Chairman.

Councillors E Gilchrist, K Gulson, S McMullon, G Needham, M Oliver, D Porteous, P Russell, S Sanderson, D Seaton and A Wood.

In attendance – Mrs H Taylor (Clerk) and one Member of the Public.

FC160. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received and accepted on behalf of Councillors B Doncaster and J Lusted (both personal).

FC161. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

No declarations were received.

FC162. MINUTES

Councillor M Oliver proposed approval of the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held 10th March 2020. This was seconded by Councillor E Gilchrist and unanimously **RESOLVED.**

With regard to Minute No. FC155, the Special Motion regarding the pond in the Recreation Ground, Councillor K Gulson expressed his disappointment that the press had failed to accurately report on the matter. He also advised Members that the pond was currently only 6 inches wide reinforcing Mr Bingham's statement that it dries up in the summer and is not fed by a spring. At the same time, the Clerk reported that she had prepared two risk assessments for the pond, one for its current condition and one in preparation of the pond's rejuvenation later this year.

FC163. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Councillor K Gulson reported that Reg Bingham had approached him with a proposal to sow annual wildflower mix in the new cemetery. In the discussions that ensued various locations were suggested including the new orchard and St Peters Churchyard. The Clerk suggested that she look at the areas and liaise with Mr Bingham.

FC164. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF THE ELECTORATE

Members received and noted the draft minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 10th March 2020.

FC165. BANK RECONCILIATION STATEMENT

Councillors received and noted the contents of the Bank Reconciliation Statements as at 31ST March 2020 (copies of which are appended in the Minute Book).

FC166. ORDERS FOR PAYMENT

The schedule of payments made since the previous meeting, which included details of the purchase ledger cheques requiring payment, (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) was proposed by Councillor D Seaton, seconded by Councillor S Sanderson and **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to be paid.

FC167. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES

Councillor M Oliver referred to the work being done by the staff to keep the village maintained during this Covid 19 pandemic. In that respect, he proposed that full Council thank the staff for their efforts, this was second by Councillor R Butcher and unanimously **RESOLVED.**

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In response to a question by Councillor E Gilchrist, Councillor P Russell advised that the church had received instructions from the Diocesan not to ring the church bells therefore they were unable to be rung during the Thursday evening clap for the NHS.

Meeting closed at 7.18pm

Signed 

Chairman.