HELIONS BUMPSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on

Monday 9th November 2015

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

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<th>NAME</th>
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<td>J. Catchesides</td>
<td>Chair</td>
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<td>C. Baker</td>
<td>Vice-Chair</td>
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<td>S. Kehr</td>
<td>Parish Councillor</td>
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<td>A. Meldrum</td>
<td>Parish Councillor</td>
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<td>N. Nicholson</td>
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<td>P. Richardson</td>
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<td>L. West</td>
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<td>R. Bolton</td>
<td>District Councillor</td>
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<td>D. Finch</td>
<td>County Councillor</td>
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<td>T. Evans</td>
<td>Parish Clerk &amp; Responsible Financial Officer</td>
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The Chair welcomed everyone present at the meeting, which commenced at 7:30pm.

147/15 Apologies for Absence

Cllr. Meldrum, Cllr. West.

148/15 Members’ declarations of interests

There were no declarations of interest from Members.

149/15 Public forum

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

150/15 Minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 26th October 2015

The minutes were approved as a correct record of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 26th October 2015. Proposed: Cllr. Baker Seconded: Cllr. Kehr Unanimously agreed. The minutes were signed by the Chair.

151/15 Review of Council’s Asset Register

The Council reviewed its Asset Register and no changes were proposed or made.

152/15 Review of Council’s Risk Register

Carried over to next meeting.
153/15 Disruptions to electricity supplies in the village

Following discussions concerning the relatively high number of power cuts in the village in recent months it was agreed that Cllr. Meldrum would contact UK Power Networks on how improvements to the resilience of the electricity supply could be implemented.

154/15 Repairs to the Children’s Playground

Cllr. Kehr reported that she was awaiting estimates for the repairs from two contractors.

155/15 Registration of Village Hall and Recreation Ground Land

Cllr. Catchesides reported that she had requested copies of minutes from the Parish Property Trust confirming its ownership of the Recreation Ground.

156/15 Footpath Diversion Scheme across Paddock View and Essex County Council’s responses.

A letter had been received by Essex County Councillor and Cabinet Member for Highways Delivery in reply to the Council’s letter of complaint about its Public Rights of Way Team. In his reply he stated that due to an error a further public consultation would be held before the matter could be referred to the Planning Inspectorate. He also stated that he had requested the PRoW Team to take the necessary action to ensure that, until a decision has been made with regards to the diversion of the PRoWs, the existing footpaths would be kept clear and accessible to the public.

**Action:** Clerk to contact Essex PRoW team to request timescales for any necessary action to be taken and to offer the Council’s support and assistance in any way possible.

157/15 Clerk’s report

The Annual Governance and Audit Report had been posted onto the Council’s website. Applications for grants had been received from the Village Hall, Cricket Club and Recreation Ground. Further applications were expected from The Youth Club and Table Tennis Club.

158/15 District Councillor’s Report

There was no report in Cllr. Bolton’s absence.

159/15 Finance Report and Approval of Payments

Copies of the Financial Report, bank statement and list of payments were distributed to Members prior to the meeting.

A further Direct Debit payment had been made to the laptop PC rental company after the rental agreement had expired.

**Action:** Clerk to contact the Council’s bank and cancel direct debit mandate.
The Council unanimously approved these payments.

**160/15 Items for information and inclusion on next meeting’s agenda**

None.

The meeting closed at 8:50pm.

Signed: ________________________________ Date: ______________

Mrs Jane Catchesides
Chair

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