

## BYGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

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**A meeting of Bygrave Parish Council Meeting was held in the Church of St. Margaret of Antioch on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2019 8.00pm.**

**Present:**

Cllr Phil Hills  
Cllr James Northern  
Cllr Claire Mortlock

**1. Apologies for absence**

Cllr Tristen Brenner

**2. To elect a Chairman**

Cllr Phil Hills

**3. To receive the Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office**

Received

**4. To elect a Vice-Chairman**

Cllr James Northern

**5. To receive Declaration of office from all Councillors**

Received

**6. To update the Register of interest book**

Signed and dated

**7. To approve and sign the minutes of meeting of 28<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

Approved

**8. To seek to co-opt Councillor vacancy**

All councillors to make enquiries in the Village

**9. Finance report and expenditure approval and signing off the accounts for tax year 2018/2019**

AON Insurance            £497.93

HAPTC Annual membership £153.17  
S Birmingham Internal Audit £110.00  
K Clark-float £50.00  
K Clark £33 back pay  
P Hills £67.24 Expenses

All approved

### **10. To approve Planning applications as notified by the District Council-**

None notified

### **11. Update on the Baldock Bygrave plan**

A disappointed response on the neighbourhood plan was noted. The newsletter will update developments and the inspector's final verdict when known.

A grant of £5K has been applied for to assist with fighting our cause with Baldock.

### **12. Ashwell Road – Speeding / accident**

An article will go into the Ashwell newsletter to highlight the safe use of country roads in Bygrave to respect road rules in light of a few recent accidents.  
A smiley face speed board will be installed in the lower village of Bygrave in April 2020.

### **13. Farris festival**

It was noted that the festival took place last weekend and there was no notice from the organisers to consider village impact and extra traffic, this will be addressed with the organisers.

### **14. Grass Cutting**

Due to not being satisfied with the quality of work, Chris Mortlock will take over this contract and will invoice quarterly at the same rate.  
Cllr Claire Mortlock declared an interest which the Parish Council raised no concerns to.

### **15. Update on works outside the church curtilage**

The tarmac will be finished off and an invoice raised.

### **16. Public issues**

Wildlife decline in the Village – this was observed as a decline in birds, a request for NHDC to cut the verges in September to allow natural species to live in the

meadow and also take into account visibility for traffic and disappointment that in filling in the chalk pits this over filled badgers.

An organised shoot in the village caused fear within the village as near houses and it has been reported to community Police.

Community will look to move forward a plan and set up a working party

**17. District Councillor**

Tom Tyson has been elected into this position.

**18. Correspondence**

Circulated

**19. Open forum for annual meeting**

Two new noticeboards are sought for the village to replace weathered ones and gates to the entrance of the village.

**20. To confirm date and time of next meeting**

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at 8pm

Signature .....

Dated .....