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|     | <p>hedge to confirm responsibility for its control. <b>JS</b> will discuss with DBC what action might be taken. It was noted that, if the owner was reluctant to control the hedge then DBC could be asked to do the work and recover the cost from the owner.</p> <p>6. <b>JS</b> reported a damaged litter bin opposite FP13 on Hogpits Bottom. Research on the web revealed the best quote available to be £139 plus VAT for a 60 litre post-mounted bin from Derby Hercules. <b>GA</b> offered to ask DBC if alternatives were available from their suppliers and if the GreenSafe team would be prepared to continue collecting from a bin that they did not specify.</p>  | <p>JS</p> <p>GA</p>                     |
| 9.  | <p><b>Planning – PE</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>4 Birch Lane</b> 4/02803/18/LDP granted on 4/1/19 – approved under permitted development rights</li> <li>2. <b>Oakes Paddock</b>, Black Ditch Lane 4/02588/18/FUL awaiting decision from DBC- involves moving horse shelters (considered acceptable) and laying concrete (recommend decline as in Green Belt)</li> <li>3. <b>The Old Chapel</b> 4/02176/18/FHA awaiting decision – two storey extension at rear – council has no objection.</li> <li>4. <b>Old Oak</b> - recent developments – <b>JD</b> reported that one traveller van at the front had been removed and that the remaining two were unoccupied. Nothing is expected to happen until the hearing on the owner’s appeal against the Enforcement Order.</li> <li>5. <b>Sharlowes Farm</b> planning application for change of use from agricultural to 3 dwelling houses – expected to be approved under permitted development.</li> <li>6. <b>Cyrita</b> – Application received for new single garage to rhs of property. <b>PE</b> will consider and report back.</li> <li>7. <b>Old Oak</b> – <b>PE</b> agreed to consult the Land Registry about ownership of the verge.</li> </ol>   | <p>PE</p> <p>PE</p>                     |
| 10. | <p><b>Highways</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>RR</b> confirmed that road markings were in the current plans for action.</li> <li>2. The possibility of white lining through the village from the Hall to Flaunden Lane was discussed with no decision reached. <b>JN</b> to write to <b>RR</b> with proposals.</li> <li>3. <b>JN</b> reported that potholes near the Bricklayers junction had finally been repaired. There followed a discussion regarding the problems of the pothole reporting system and the inability to talk to any real people. The system had reported some potholes as repaired when they hadn’t been touched. <b>RR</b> was concerned that this might suggest that contractors could charge for work that had not been done and asked that he be advised (with photos if possible) should in future potholes be reported as repaired when not.</li> <li>4. <b>JN</b> reported that the SID had not yet been moved back to the Hogpits Bottom location and <b>RR</b> agreed to action.</li> <li>5. The verge (“The Beach”) on the corner of Flaunden Hill adjacent to the Quarry entrance was reported as dangerous, with large holes appearing in the banked area. <b>RR</b> agreed that this was a serious concern and would contractors to review the situation and consider widening the road surface at that point.</li> <li>6. Overhanging trees had been reported along Flaunden Hill. Whilst they could be dangerous <b>RR</b> suspected that they would not yet be a high priority given other more serious problems in the area. <b>JN</b> will keep under review.</li> </ol> | <p>RR</p> <p>JN</p> <p>RR</p> <p>RR</p> |
| 11. | <p><b>Community (Diane)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Green Dragon</b> – <b>DW</b> reported on correspondence with the prospective buyer, which indicated that a substantial amount of work was planned on the property and it was hoped it will open by the summer. <b>It was agreed</b> that <b>DW</b> would extend an invitation to the new owner to address the Parish at the Annual Parish Meeting in May.</li> <li>2. <b>DW</b> reported on recent local crime figures, which had shown only one burglary in December (in Chipperfield). The evidence suggested that sheds/garages containing garden and machine tools were a target.</li> <li>3. <b>Health &amp; Wellbeing</b> – <b>DW</b> is monitoring the development of the NHS long-term plan for Health and Wellbeing on behalf of FP council and considering how the council might support a new</li> </ol>  | <p><b>DW</b></p>                        |

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|   | <p>service model for the area. <b>RR</b> revealed that his is now leading for the County Council on the Health &amp; Wellbeing Board and in connection with the Strategic Transformation Plan, and he expressed interest in <b>DW's</b> expertise in that field. He advised that the overall budget for spend on health in the county was £420m and that net of fees recovered the council would be spending in excess of £1m per day. He also clarified that there was no budget for a new hospital in Kings Langley, despite rumours circulating to the contrary.</p> <p>4. <b>GA</b> suggested that FPC should consider Dacorum Council Community grants, which are available for new community initiatives.</p>   |                  |
| <b>12. Finance (Jack)</b>   | <p>1. Detailed lists of receipts, payments and reserves, having been circulated, were approved without comment.</p> <p>2. Forecast Receipts and Payments v Budget for the year were presented and approved without comment. Current forecasts show accounts on track for within budget for year.</p> <p>3. <b>It was agreed</b> that the Precept be increased by 3% for 2019-20 and the annual budget and Precept be approved as documents attached. <b>RR</b> commented that the Parish might consider releasing the Highways Contribution Fund Reserves to create a Planning Costs Reserve, which might be more useful. Councillors agreed.</p> <p>4. <b>It was agreed</b> that the Internal Audit Plan be approved as attached.</p> <p>5. <b>It was agreed</b> that Internal Control and Risk Assessment be approved as attached,</p> <p>6. The council approved the appointment of Mr. Ernest Newhouse as Internal Auditor at a fee of £275 + vat but authorised <b>JD</b> to investigate alternative auditors. <b>DW</b> would approach an accountant that she knows and <b>GA</b> recommended the current auditor for Bovington PC</p> <p>7. <b>It was agreed</b> that the amendments to the Financial Regulations be approved as attached.</p> <p>8. <b>RR</b> advised that Dacorum Precept would be 4% but that the increase would have been higher had it not been for the government cap. Resources would continue to be tight as a result.</p> | <b>DW<br/>JD</b> |
| <b>13. To Propose any items for next Parish Council Meeting - None.</b> |   |                  |
| <b>14. Future Meeting Dates:</b>  | <p>1. Agreed as below.</p> <p>2. There would be an informal meeting to discuss the Peter Scribens Silver Salver Award at Pam's house on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2019</p>  | <b>PE</b>        |
| <b>15. Meeting closed at 9:45pm</b>                                     |   |                  |

#### 2018/2019 PC Meeting Dates

| Month            | Date             | Time  | Venue        |
|------------------|------------------|-------|--------------|
| January 2019     | 28 <sup>th</sup> | 19.30 | Church Room  |
| APM and APCM May | 17 <sup>th</sup> | 20.00 | Village Hall |
| September        | 9 <sup>th</sup>  | 19.30 | Church Room  |
| November         | 11 <sup>th</sup> | 19.30 | Church Room  |

Chairman -----

*Vivienne J Adams*