

Present 2015/0014	Cllr D Tanner (chair), Cllr B Drinkwater, Cllr Natasha Thiebaut, Cllr Simon Townsend, Cllr Joseph Hodges, Cllr Frank Spencer, Cllr Paul Firth Parishoners: Michael Mazillius, Chris Coombs, Richard Gibbson, Emma Weingart, Cathy Owen, Andy Owen, Dave Jenner, Olwen Jenner, Frank Mahon, David Jackson, Luke Webb, Jud Haest, Linda O'Dell, Charlie Hambin, Tonia Vincent + daughter, Keith Lewis, District Cllr John Chilver, County Councillor Angela MacPherson, Thomas Fitzpatrick and Darl Sweetland (BucksCC) Details taken from circulated register – apologies for any omissions.
Apologies 0015	Cllr James Clark, Parish Clerk Nick Osgerby (sick)
Declaration of interest 0016	Nil
BucksCC – Update mitigation feasibility HS2 00017	Mr FitzPatrick and Mr Sweetland spoke about the mitigation plan and feasibility study which would involve the provision of a halt or station at Steeple Claydon. There was a very good business case for such a facility which would be available for both IMD workers and the local Community. Oxford, Milton Keynes and London Marylebone would be accessible. Important point was that there must be community support and that Parishoners buy in to this proposed scheme. BucksCC would work closely with Parish Council. A copy of this presentation to be attached to these minutes as Appendix 1. Cllr Tanner asked for copy of the presentation with a view to it being added to SCPC website. Any questions generated would be forwarded to BucksCC. Cllr Tanner would not allow questions as this was not public participation.
Public Participation 0018	There were a number of people who considered the fact that they had been unable to question the representatives of BucksCC a lost opportunity. Parish Council to urgently consider best ways to communicate. It was suggested that there were

	<p>those in the community who did not support a station and this would have to be addressed immediately by the Parish council. District Councillor advised she represented other close by villages who seemed very positive about there being a business case for a station or halt. Repeated that the talk this evening was not intended as Q and A and they could be invited back for such a purpose. Mr Coombs thought a positive message had been carried forward to present day and it was important not to disrupt that process. Cllr Chilver would provide web site addresses to Chair which may be of interest on this subject. There appeared to be demand for a more in depth conversation / meeting.</p>
<p>Minutes of meetings 1st and 2nd June 0019</p>	<p>The minutes to both the Parish Assembly on the 1st June and the monthly Parish Council meeting on 2nd June were confirmed as correct. (1st) Proposed JH, seconded NT. (2) Proposed FS, seconded JH?</p>
<p>Working Group updates 0020</p>	<p><u>Finance</u> Frank Spencer spoke on behalf of the working group. Meeting held NJO, FS and ST. Account balances reviewed and suggestions made to increase interest yield and switch money as necessary to preserve FSCS cover. New bank mandates have been moved forward with new signatories. Frank prepared to do regular banking. Precept spreadsheet circulated and discussed with reserves identified. Fireworks figures were discussed and precept payments discussed. Discussion re surplus held. Accounts go on the website. Letting fees to be reviewed. Balances are healthy and running well. There were no questions. ACTION: £25k to NSC and £15k to deposit account. Proposed FS seconded NT – all agreed.</p> <p><u>People and Assets</u> Brian Drinkwater spoke on behalf of the working group. Identified group responsibilities. Identified health and safety issues that need to be addressed across the sites. Paul Firth proposed The PC appoint Aylesbury Lock and Key to review the lock</p>

strategy and work with the working group to agree strategy for the recreation ground and ask them for a quotation to carry out the work. With a limit of £1000 the working group has the authority to award the contract. Proposed Brian Drinkwater, Seconded Natasha Thiebaut. Agreed by show of hands.

Glass at front and back of Pavilion to be repaired. Bucks Glass had been approached and had visited site but no quote yet received. Paul Firth proposed that the working group be given the authority to take all necessary steps to restore health and safety compliance in the pavilion. Seconded Natasha Thiebaut. 1 abstention (DW). Agreed by show of hands. Turning to village hall and library – filling cabinets in way of fire exit potentially – further review required. Decoration – quotes for main hall and plastering required. CCTV camera hanging off wall – mains supply electrician to remove. On ongoing task list. First aid kit to be replaced. H and S notice and book to be replaced. Insufficient fire detectors in place at hall and appropriate fire protection and warning system. Paul Firth proposed that the PC invite professional organisations to quote for the installation of a fire detection system for the village hall and cottage. Seconded Doreen Weingart, unanimously agreed. Civic Pride group – discussed planters which Michael Mazillius said wanted removing or professionally repairing. Cllr Weingart proposed that quote to be received for repair. Seconded Frank Spencer. Unanimously agreed to get quotes. Skate Park Report – High priority items – estimate £2,500 to get the park serviceable. A fix for 2 years and repair within service. Deadline is summer holidays. Looking to replace all back boards and make noticeable improvement. Proposed ? seconded Frank Spencer. A copy of the full report is attached as appendix 2.

Cllr Weingart mentioned that the promises repainting of the slow signs by Buckscc had not happened.

Communications and events

Cllr Natasha Thiebaut spoke on behalf of this working group.

Fireworks meeting discussion. Asked that meeting be run as a free event. Proposed yes by Cllr Joseph Hodges, seconded by Frank Spencer and the theme would be the battle of Waterloo.

Unanimously agreed. Last year bucket collection was for the all weather pitch – same again proposed Cllr Frank Spencer, seconded Cllr Joseph Hodges – agreed unanimously. This year proposed we have a bar for increased income and longer function. 3 local pubs would all be contacted and given chance to get involved. Perhaps this could be on a rotational basis if all interested. Bar proposed Cllr Firth, seconded ? unanimous. May augment event with some rides. Cllr Weingart cautioned with regard damage to ground in wet weather.

Cllr Thiebaut continued with regard communications, better ways to communicate with village needed and agreed by all.

Improve the website, replacing the one we have with something better, would like to continue to use the Parish Magazine (if the church finds someone to take that on), debated if SCPC should take this on but decided it was a church publication. Would like to do a quarterly mailer delivered to all houses. – outline to be discussed at next meeting. Would like to use Facebook. Would like to have Parish Council profile to avoid individual postings – someone would be nominated who could post on behalf of the Parish Council. Entries would be minimal and PC would not get into debates and dialogues. Would also post on other local forums.

Cllr Townsend wants clarification as to the exact way Facebook would be used. Agreed an outbound digital noticeboard Facebook only at this stage and that the Clerk would be the one doing the posting.

Proposed Natasha Thiebaut, seconded Brian Drinkwater.– all agreed. Pierre will train all.

Returning to website suggested putting on different platform and one that could be extended for village hall bookings. Pierre Thiebaut has volunteered to

set this up for the Parish Council. Redirection from old web site would be done. Agreed to look at site name and agree cheapest appropriate one. Proposed Natasha and seconded by Diana Tanner. Agreed by show of hands. Deadline for newsletter is Friday, fireworks entry and to be Hs2 entry. Bucks advertiser – Isobel has apparently had limited success in getting things entered – D Weingart would speak to paper.

Neighbourhood and Development including Planning Applications.

Cllr Firth spoke on behalf of this working group. Updates from the neighbourhood plan process were available at this meeting - everyone is welcome to attend meetings.

For Planning see below.

Hs2 and East West rail working group

Cllr Drinkwater addressed the meeting. Select Committee who are reviewing Hs2 plans have visited Steeple Claydon. BucksCC website has links to related documents.

Cllr Firth still concerned re impression given to BucksCC. Cllr Hodges said that the Parish Council had always supported the provision of a station since forum meetings started in 2012.

Cllr Firth proposed that SCPC commits to further investigation of station on the EWR rail link related to the Hs2 development certainly as mitigation but also as apposite step for the village. The Parish Council should provide full support and send an unequivocal message to BucksCC of our total support for the station. Seconded Joseph Hodges. Agreed. We need to know what BucksCC want from us to show commitment and timescales.

Diana Tanner would circulate and get signed off in the absence of the Clerk. Cllr Firth would draft a note for the newsletter to be included in round robin e mail.

Devolved Services

Meeting with BucksCC regarding grass cutting – Councillors in attendance Diana Tanner, Brian Drinkwater and Simon Townsend. BucksCC were saying that if they devolved their grass cutting

	<p>service to us and we took on areas marked red and pink on the maps provided and others we would be paid £3741 per annum (this year subtracting a figure for the work they had already done) to cut them 8 times a year. We would need to train ourselves in the use of weedkillers and the appropriate health and safety , deal with any complaints from the public about it, and inform owners of private sites which were overgrown . Buckcc said the alternative was ‘ a best effort’ and next year could be as low as 2 cuts. Asked about take up of devolution about 36 had taken up out of about 160 and these were the significantly larger ones. The administration of the process is as big a concern as the grass cutting. Debate as to whether precept should have been increased by projected cost without covering from other funds held. Cllr Townsend said the working group was of the opinion that the devolvement offer should not be accepted and there was a need for a long term strategy. Proposed by Joseph Hodges and seconded by Brian Drinkwater that the offer be declined. Agreed.</p>
<p>Planning 0021</p>	<p>Cllr Firth referred to e mails received from other Parish Councils where additional meetings may be necessary to consider planning applications. Working group would call a special meeting where it considered it necessary.</p> <p>15/01792/APP Erection of timber building to house horse trailer Land Opposite Herds Hill Farm Herds Hill Steeple Claydon It was agreed there was no objection. Proposed Joseph Hodges, seconded Paul Firth – all agreed</p> <p>15/01883APP Removal of existing garage. Erection of two storey front, rear & side extensions, single storey porch/front extension, detached garage & new vehicle access & parking Police Station 9 Queen Catherine Road Steeple Claydon</p>

	<p>It was agreed there was no objection. Proposed Joseph Hodges, seconded Paul Firth.</p> <p>Manor Homes had held a public meeting with regard to the proposed Buckingham Road development who are preparing a planning application for early July. Parish Council needs to consider how it can represent the views of the village.</p> <p>Councillor Firth asked how the PC should plan for the compiling of a response to the application when it happens.</p> <p>Cllr Thiebaut gave feedback from Parishoners who attended the Manor Homes meeting in the evening. A discussion followed on social housing requirements for the village and the allocation of properties for previous developments.</p> <p>It was agreed public meeting with regard Buckingham Road development was the way forward to gauge opinion from Parishoners.</p> <p>Facebook would be a good medium as website would not be ready.</p>
<p>Future meeting dates 0022</p>	<p><u>Future meeting dates</u></p> <p>There was a discussion regarding the possibility of alternating Parish Council meetings between Tuesday and Thursdays. There was no agreement to make change to the current arrangements. As far as a proposed August meeting was concerned this was not agreed.</p>
<p>AVALC and BMALC training dates 023</p>	<p><u>AVALC & BMALC – TRAINING DATES</u></p> <p>Induction training courses available – e mail around by Diana tanner who would book.</p>
<p>Accounts cheques issued 024</p>	<p>The Parish Council issued cheques totalling £5,161.95.</p> <p>All parish Councillors agreed these payments..</p>
<p>Matters of confidential nature – 025</p>	<p>Members of public were asked to leave prior to this item.</p>