AKELEY PARISH COUNCIL Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 26/6/17 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Terry Cavender (Chair), Jo Eastwood, Clair Flynn, John Hockley (Vice-Chair), Lorna Joy, Mike Mortimer, Rebecca Wheeler and Ellen Sayer (Clerk). M.o.P: Jackie Corcoran, Angela Hawker, Julie Rodwell, Mary Taylor and John Tibbetts.

1. APOLOGIES: None

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST RELATING TO ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA: None

3. The CO-OPTION OF Dr. Rebecca Wheeler to the position of 7th PARISH COUNCILLOR was unanimously approved and she was welcomed onto the Parish Council.

ITEMS OF INTEREST & PUBLIC SESSION

- The recent Pig Roast, which incorporated an Art and Photography Exhibition, was well-attended and a great success.
- The electricity supply in Manor Road is being put underground. The Parish Council plans to adopt the 2 telegraph poles which hold street lights.
- **4.** The **MINUTES** of the last meeting, held on **8th May 2017**, were proposed and seconded as a true record (JH, JE) and signed by TC.

5. MATTERS ARISING.

- **5a. Recreational Field** Replacement **basketball hoop** CF to investigate the possibility of Tesco funding. The **RoSPA Report** on the Play Area has been received but is, in part, a copy of last year's and factually incorrect. The Clerk querying. It was confirmed that the **insurance for the Pig Roast** had been put in place by the Events Committee and would be paid by the Parish Council as a token of goodwill (£119 -TC, MM).
- **5b.Grass cutting** The **contractor** had cut the grass for the Pig Roast as requested and done a good job. Spraying of weeds and siding out of footpaths will take place shortly. The hedge running along the Leckhampstead Road side of **The Leys** has become overgrown and is causing a hazard as it is restricting visibility and reducing the width of the road. The Clerk to contact the landowner and request that it be cut now and before April in future.
- **5c. Roads and traffic** TC attended the **LAF** on the 21st June. **Bollards** in front of the bus shelter in The Square to be requested online by the Clerk. **Leckhampstead Rd footpath defect** (JE) we have been advised that there is a 7 month backlog for remedial work. **Gulley emptying** it was noted that there has been none carried out recently any further north than Aylesbury. After several local fatalities and injuries it has been agreed that the **LAF will fund any future TfB investigations. Road repair warranty** any **defects** arising should be paid for from TfB's budget and not public funds
- **5d. Allotments** E.Scapes Ltd had provided 3 options to deal with the overgrown allotments and it was decided to opt for the second i.e. strimming twice over a period of time (JE, JH). **5e. Street lighting** MM is now looking into options for replacing the street light outside 2 Manor Rd and possibly other older lanterns.
- **5f. Parish Council Clerk** the drive to recruit a new Clerk continues.

6. FINANCE and ACCOUNTS

The accounts for the period 5/5/17 to 23/6/17 were proposed and seconded (MM, LJ) and signed by TC.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

It was confirmed that the requested **constitution** document had been received from the **Events Committee**.

8. PLANNING

- 17/00393 /AOP The Leys Field Outline application with all matters reserved for the erection of seven detached dwellings with associated garaging, parking and amenity space, served off three new private drives and the widening of Leckhampstead Road to also incorporate a new footpath (determination deadline moved back to 26/5/17 due to request by Parish Council, to allow village response to late submission of traffic report by applicant) **REFUSED**
- 17/00986/APP 3, The Close, Leckhampstead Rd. Applic. for single-storey side extension and 1st floor rear extension APPROVED
- 17/01840/AOP Silverstone Motor Racing Circuit Silverstone Road Biddlesden Buckinghamshire NN12 8TN Outline application for mixed use development comprising education including on site student accommodation (Use class D1 and C2), one hotel (C1), brand centre facilities supporting motorsport activities (sui generis), sports and leisure/adrenaline facility and family entertainment centre (D1), other motorsport related activity (sui generis). Parking and access arrangements, infrastructure including highways and utilities improvements. Associated landscaping and other ancillary works. (Application accompanied by an Environmental Statement).

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING.....September 11th 2017

Ellen Sayer Clerk to the Parish Council 10/7/17