



These are the unadopted minutes of the Crookham Village Parish Council Extra-Ordinary meeting held at 7:45pm on 29 July 2024 in Zebon Community Centre. Please refer to the Minutes of the September 2024 meeting for any amendments.

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Present:	Cllrs Simon Ambler (Chairman), Julia Ambler, Andrew Friend, David Jackson, Dr Indra Sinka and Nick Gould
In attendance:	Angela Sayers (RFO), Carol Leversha (Clerk), Anna Wierzbinska (Assistant Clerk) Tabby Powell (Centre Manager)
MIN.124/24	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr Peter Bradley sends apologies.
MIN.125/24	CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS None.
MIN.126/24	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ANY MATTER ON THE AGENDA & DELEGATION OF DISPENSATION TO THE PROPER OFFICER (CLERK) The Chairman advised Members to consider whether they had any disclosable interest in matters on the agenda and if so to declare them now or at the appropriate point on the agenda.
MIN.127/24	CONSIDER CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS The Chairman reminded Members of their obligation to consider crime and disorder implications on any decision they might make at this meeting.
MIN.128/24	TREE 677 THE CRESCENT GREEN PILCOT ROAD Clark introduced an item and explained the quotes from various contractors. She explained in depth the urgency of dealing with this matter in order to comply with requirements in relation to the possibility of bats in the tree. Members discussed this item in some greater detail and reviewed the quotes received. The initial report on the tree carried a recommendation for new bat boxes on adjacent trees. When the soft fell tree work is undertaken a bat ecologist is required on site. RESOLVED: Members approved the following: Quote from Contractor A (tree surgeon) for £900 Quote from Contractor B for £425 for the ecologist. One abstention (Cllr Jackson).
MIN.129/24	EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC & PRESS – PUBLIC BODIES ACT 1960 RESOLVED: Members approved exclusion of public and press for commercial reasons.
MIN.130/24	HARESHILL COMMUNITY CENTRE (confidential session) Booking System/Website & Marketing Cllr Julia Ambler introduced an item. She explained the budget set up in January 2024 for new community centre would not be sufficient as the strategy and specification have changed rapidly. A separate budget is now required for second booking system as well as website & marketing. Members discussed website and the fact that each CC should have its own identity. Members were made aware by the RFO that there will be an over-spend in this year's budget RESOLVED: Members approved the budget of £363.00 for second subscription to the booking system (accounts software budget) and a budget of £1720.00 for new website and marketing for HHCC (IT Computer and website budget overspent).

Meeting closed at 20.25PM.