

# Great Milton Parish Council

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## **Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Great Milton Parish Council held virtually via video conference on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at 7.30pm.**

Present: Cllrs Steve Harrod (Chair), W Fox (Vice-Chair), P Allen, G Bennet, C Deacon and M Horsley.

In Attendance: Cllr Caroline Newton (SODC), Tim Darch (Clerk) and James Cunningham (Chair, Great Milton Recreation Ground Committee).

**The meeting was conducted through a video conferencing facility. The new arrangements for the Parish Council are allowed under the following Regulation:**

**THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND POLICE AND CRIME PANELS (CORONAVIRUS) (FLEXIBILITY OF LOCAL AUTHORITY AND POLICE AND CRIME PANEL MEETINGS) (ENGLAND AND WALES) REGULATIONS 2020**

*The meeting opened with a commemoration and minute's silence in tribute to HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh following his death on Friday 9 April 2021.*

- 44/21** Apologies for Absence  
All councillors were present at the meeting.
- 45/21** No resolutions were discussed at this meeting.
- 46/21** The Chairman of the Parish Council's Annual Report was received and reviewed. No questions or comments were received.
- 47/21** The District Councillor's annual report was received and reviewed, along with her additional observations as follows:  
Work on the Local Plan 2041 has now commenced, for potential adoption in 2024: this will not change what is already in place, but may add a further quantum of housing. This may be influenced by the Oxford-Cambridge Arc, which may then influence what the Growth Board asks for, then the Local Plan. A requirement for additional housing may have implications as regards potential development at the Harrington site and its possible inclusion in the 2041 plan.  
SODC as an authority is aiming to go 'zero carbon' by 2025, and the District as a whole by 2030.
- 48/21** The County Councillor's observations on the previous year were received and reviewed. No questions or comments were received.
- 49/21** The Parish Council's accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 were received and reviewed. The Parish Council's reserves are healthy and heading towards the recommended limit of double the precept, but significant expenditure is expected in 2021-22, which may well impact on the level of reserves.
- 50/21** The Parish Council's observations on its finances were received and reviewed.
- 51/21** Annual Reports and Financial Statements were received from:  
a) Great Milton Recreation Ground Management Committee  
b) Old Field Charity  
c) Kent and Couling Charity  
d) Sheppard Charitable Trust  
e) Neighbours Hall Committee  
f) The Hard Surface Play Area Committee  
No comments were received on any of the above.

The minutes from the previous Annual Parish Meeting in 2019 were reviewed and approved in May 2019.

The meeting finished at 8.00pm.

**A combined reports pack is available on the Great Milton Parish Council website:**

**<https://www.great-milton.co.uk/shared/attachments.asp?f=7559ab39%2D2653%2D4f6b%2D9714%2Daf6a2a9c490b%2Epdf&o=April%2Dagenda%2DFINAL%2Epdf>**

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