COLNEY HEATH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Special Meeting of Colney Heath Parish Council held at the Pavilion, High Street, Colney Heath on Wednesday 24 November 1999 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT

Cllr. C. Brazier (Chairman)

Cllr. F. S. Ellis

IN ATTENDANCE

Caroline Pluck (Clerk)

APOLOGIES

Cllr. D. Crump Cllr. Mrs. J. Jeffrey

1. INFLATION

The Clerk reported that the CDC inflation figures to be applied to pay and supplies & services for the 2000/2001 financial year would be 2% on pay and 1.5% on supplies and services. RECOMMENDED that the Parish Council apply a 2% increase to pay and 1.5% increase to supplies and services for the 2000/2001 financial year.

2. ADDITIONAL ITEMS OF EXPENDITURE FOR 2000/2001

Councillors discussed additional items of expenditure to be considered for inclusion in the Parish Council's 2000/2001 budget:

RECOMMENDED that the following items be included in the 2000/2001 budget:

Trailer for Common Ranger (£1,600)

Play equipment for Smallford Playing Field (£10,000)

Widening of High Street Recreation Ground car park (£6,000)

Safety surface at Roestock Park (£2,000)

The Chairman suggested including the figure of £1,000 in the Building Fund for 2000/2001 as, despite the building work being previously budgeted for, he felt it would be prudent to allow an amount each year for maintenance.

RECOMMENDED including £1,000 in the Building Fund for the 2000/2001 budget to cover maintenance items.

The Chairman suggested that the Warren Pitch fees be increased by 5% for 2000/2001 and that the Groundsman annual planting allowance remains at £100.

RECOMMENDED that the two suggestions be included in the budget figures.

The Chairman queried whether the Village Hall rates would rise once the Parish Office and Community Room was completed.

RECOMMENDED that the Clerk establish what the future rates for the Village Hall would be once activities in the extension were operating.

3. PARISH COUNCIL BUDGET REQUIREMENTS FOR 2000/2001

Cllrs. considered the preliminary budget requirements for 2000/2001.

RECOMMENDED that the full Council consider the preliminary figures, with the above amendments.



4. DATE OF NEXT BUDGET MEETING

Cllrs. discussed a date for a further budget meeting to finalise the Parish Council's budget requirements for 2000/2001.

RECOMMENDED that the next budget meeting be held on Wednesday 26 January 2000 at 7.30 p.m. in the Pavilion.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8 p.m.

CHAIRMAN C. W. Braze

DATE 26/199

Caroline Pluck 15/11/99