## Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Nash Parish Council held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2025 at 7.30pm in Nash Village Hall

**Present**: Cllr Collyer (Chair); Cllr Evans; Cllr Nicholson, Cllr West, Cllr Lascelles, Kelly Harris, Clerk & RFO

## 1. To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Wyke.

- 2. To receive any declarations of interest from Members on this evening's agenda There were no declarations of interest received.
  - 3. To consider the quote received for maintenance work to the pond and agree next steps

Cllrs discussed the quote and the flooding caused by the pond and water flowing along Winslow Road.

Concerns were raised about whether the work is to make the pond look nice, rather than help with the flooding issues, but the majority of Cllrs felt making the pond look better was just a byproduct of the work to be carried out and that the work would go some way to reduce the flooding.

Concerns were also raised about the advice given to the Parish Council by the flood team at Bucks Council. They have recommended the sleepers are removed from the pond and the ditch, but Cllr Lascellles had been told by contractors he had spoken to that they should be left in place as they prevent silt blocking up the pipes.

It was questioned why the stumps of the trees to be removed from the pond were being left in place and being treated, and it was agreed that the contractor would be asked to remove the stumps.

Cllr Nicholson questioned whether the Parish Council could obtain funding to help pay for the work, such as lottery funding. Cllr West advised that he has looked into funding, and he believes any application we make for funding would be rejected due to how much money the Parish Council holds.

Cllr Nicholson questioned whether Cllr Collyer had any references for the contractor. Cllr Collyer advised that he did not have these, but that the contractor came highly recommended by someone he knew and that they have worked on many projects involving ponds.

After a lengthy discussion, Cllr Collyer proposed that Cllrs voted on the quote received for £5,327.50, plus up to £900 skip hire + VAT. Cllrs unanimously agreed to the quote and Cllr Collyer advised that the lead time to start work is approximately 6 weeks. It was agreed that in that time, the Clerk would speak to the flood team at Bucks Council again for an explanation on why the sleepers need to be removed and Cllr Collyer would speak to the contractor to make sure the tree stumps are removed. Cllr Collyer would also speak to Tim Hanley regarding the bridge.

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.11pm.	
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