

Minutes of Chilton Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 13th December 2017 at 8.00 pm in the Village Hall

Present	Mr C Broad Mr F Dumbleton Mr B Morris Mr J Lewis,	Chairman
	Mr M Fox-Davies Mrs M E Morris	County Councillor Parish Clerk

2 members of the public

1. **Apologies for Absence** Mr Beech, Dr Druce, Mr Girling, Mr Urso-Cale and Mr Waite.
2. **Declarations of Interest** Mr Broad and Mr Morris, item 5(iv) declared a personal interest as friends with Mr Goodall. The Register was signed.
3. **Minutes** of the last meeting were signed as a true record.
4. **Area Beat Officer Report**
PCSO Deane's contact details have been put in the Chronicle.
5. **Open Forum**
 - (i) Mr Roots-Petty said that the broken bollards on the Campus land are still not repaired. The Clerk will send a reminder as the land is vulnerable to unauthorised vehicles.
 - (ii) Mr Roots-Petty noted that the traffic sensors had not been replaced. Mr Fox-Davies said that OCC were dealing with the problem.
 - (iii) Mr Roots-Petty said that cars parking on pavements are a problem in Chilton Field. The Clerk will let PCSO Deane know.
 - (iv) Mr Alner reported on the December Crafts End Market, that over 70 people had attended and £720 had been raised. The Parish Council had received a complaint regarding the Market moving to Crafts End Green, that it would be disruptive to children playing and cause an increase in traffic. The letter was considered and the complaint not accepted. The Clerk has checked that the Council Insurance covers the monthly market. Mr Goodall is to provide a risk assessment before the January market, there are to be no vehicles on the grass and any damage to the grass to be made good by the Market. The Clerk will reply to the letter.
6. **District Council Report**
From the written Report it was noted:-
 - (i) The Vale of White Horse District Council wants nominations for the V4B Awards for local business.
 - (ii) The joint South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Council annual Business Breakfast will be held on 20th February 2018 at Harwell Campus.
 - (iii) Children looking to get more active now have the opportunity to join Oxfordshire's first weekly parkrun event for juniors. Junior parkrun is for young people aged four to 14 years and takes place at Brookes Sport Botley, Harcourt Hill Campus (OX2 9AT) every Sunday, starting at 9am.
 - (iv) Wantage Area grants are available for projects costing more than £2,000 that won't start before April 2018.
 - (v) Waste collections in adverse weather condition: If it is safe to do so, please put your bins out as normal and Biffa will try and collect them. Leave them out for three days and if they don't manage

to collect them, please bring the bins back in and Biffa will empty them next time they're due. If this is the case they will collect any extra waste left out next to the bins.

7. County Council Report

Mr Fox-Davies reported that:-

- (i) At the 12 December meeting the OCC voted to write to Central Government requesting a public inquiry be set up into the Oxford-Cambridge Expressway. A cross-party group is to be set up.
- (ii) The Oxfordshire Growth Board has reached an outline Housing and Growth Agreement with the Government. This will see an additional £215m of investment over the next 5 years to build infrastructure, support the delivery of new homes and boost economic productivity across the County.
- (iii) The bids to the Government's Housing Infrastructure Fund (HIF), to support the development of the Didcot Garden Town, and West Oxfordshire and North of Oxford Garden Villages, are still being considered by Government with decisions expected in the New Year.
- (iv) The National Infrastructure Commission (NIC) has published its report to Government on the Oxford-Cambridge arc. It advised on the need for long-term investment funding for new transport infrastructure to harness the region's economic potential, to benefit local people and boost UK plc in a post-Brexit landscape.
- (v) Older people and adults with disabilities are getting a better level of service from care settings in Oxfordshire than elsewhere in England, official figures have again proved.
- (vi) Against a background of increasing demand for care services, particularly from older people with complex problems and needing support, a major campaign to recruit more care staff has been launched.
- (vii) OCC's Trading Standards is asking people to "Take a Stand Against Scams". This month, National Trading Standards started offering free call blockers to any person living with dementia that is currently receiving scam or nuisance calls.
- (viii) OCC's Fire and Rescue Service are urging residents to test smoke alarms regularly.
- (ix) Mr Fox-Davies said that all the items on the slip roads snagging list have either been done or will be done. Mr Fox-Davies asked the Council to write to OCC saying why the Council wants the speed limit lowered in Lower Road.
- (x) Mr Morris and Mr Dumbleton queried the figure of 100,000 houses in the Growth Agreement report, Mr Fox-Davies will look into the figures.
- (xi) Mr Morris noted that bus had been unable to get into the Village in the recent snow, as the road wasn't gritted. The bus route through the Village should be gritted.

8. Planning

(i) Applications Considered by the Parish Council

Application for single storey extension with flat roof and lantern lights. 17 Crafts End P17/V3045/PDH - for notification only. The Council noted that the form used was incorrect as it did not apply to applications in an AONB. The Clerk to notify the Vale.

Application for conversion of garage into playroom, utility and wc. 7 The Orchids V17/V3058/HH
Comments No objections.

Application for proposed extension to provide a single room and en suite above the existing garage and to the adjoining house. 53 Chilton Field Way Chilton P17/V2881/HH

Comments Chilton Parish Council has no objections to this application but note that a traffic management plan may be needed during construction as the property is on a corner.

(ii) Applications Determined by the Vale

Refusal for dwelling, annex, car parking (as amended 2 Nov 17) at Willow Farm P17/V2315/FUL
Permission for single storey rear extension 98 Chilton Field Way P17/V2631/LDP

9. Matters Arising

(i) Oxford-Cambridge Expressway

Mr Fox-Davies sent the link which was circulated

(ii) Wooden Posts

Missing posts have been reported to the Harwell Campus.

(iii) Locality Funding

East Hendred had applied for funding for grass cutting that OCC used to do. The project has to relate to something the parish has taken over from the County. Blewbury had applied for funding for resurfacing a car park and a fitness trail.

(iv) Enforcement – 7 Chilton Field Way

The Enforcement Team asked for a photo of the encroachment which was sent. A letter has subsequently been received saying a formal investigation will be made.

(v) Mr King's Container

Mr King replied to the letter saying that the container contained equipment necessary for maintaining his land in Chilton.

(vi) Neighbourhood Plan

The Designated area has now been formally accepted and the Vale has requested a project plan as the next stage. There has been no response to the request for a secretary. Mr Dumbleton to place the advert on Facebook and the Chronicle entry to be repeated.

(vii) Chilton Field

The Council has received a letter from Simon Kirk saying that DWH have agreed to pay the extra £46K requested for the remediation work on the Public Open Space. This is additional to the commuted sum that will be received on transfer of the POS. Mr Morris proposed that the Council accept the £46k. It was unanimously accepted by all present. The Clerk will write to Simon Kirk and also notify the Solicitor of the acceptance of the offer.

(viii) Defibrillators

Chilton WI raised £301 towards the defibrillators at the recent Diamond Open Day; £1528 has now been raised. Marcia Oliver is organising fundraising dance, the Clerk to confirm details. It was also suggested that Marcia Oliver should apply to the Magnox Fund for a grant. The Clerk will send the link. It was agreed not to use money from the Charity account.

10. Finance

(i) Expenditure

Cheques

68. Berinsfield - October grass cutting	333.84
69. Mrs Morris - November salary + postage	333.97
71. L Rees - Chron 441	107.25
72. Berinsfield – November grass cutting	183.54
73. OALC – Data Protection course	48.00
74. OCC – Dene Hollow work	1500.00
Total	2506.6

Petty Cash

5 weeks litter clearing

50.00

(ii) Income

Chilton WI Defibrillator donation

301.30

Balances

Treasurers Account	500.00
Instant Access	49658.55
Business Account	26830.62
Petty Cash	90.00

- (iii) The Precept request letter has been received, the Budget will be presented at the next meeting, Councillors should let the Clerk know if they have any suggestions for items to be included.
- (iv) The CPRE membership renewal has been received - £36.00 - agreed
- (v) The Society of Local Council Clerks membership has been received - £84 - agreed
Association of Local Council Clerks is also due - £30 – not to be renewed
- (vi) The Norton computer security has been renewed - 119. 98 (99.98 + 20.00 VAT)

11. Village Hall Management Committee Report

Balances: Main a/c £1031.36; Savings a/c £10002.90; Social Fund £489.21

Mr Morris reported that the VHMC now have a handyman who has already completed a number of jobs satisfactorily.

The VHMC will not be charging for the hire of the Hall for the Christmas Day lunch.

12. Reports of Meetings Attended

Mr Broad reported on the SSG meeting in early December. He noted that the work on the LETP is slightly behind. Also that there is still money in the Magnox Socio-economic fund available for grants.

13. Play Equipment Inspection

Mr Morris had carried out the inspection. The gate into the Toddler area is not closing properly again. The next inspection is Mr Dumbleton. He noted that the ivy is causing a problem on all the trees along Church Path as the hedgerow is dying. The ivy needs to be properly cleared.

14. Correspondence

From the previously circulated list it was noted:-

- (i) As a result of a the snowfall some trees on Church Path had fallen and blocked the footpath. Berinsfield had been contacted and they cleared the path. They charged £375 + VAT for the emergency work, it was agreed to pay it.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.40pm