

**Minutes of Chilton Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 8th November 2017 at
8.00 pm in the Community Room**

Present	Mr C Broad Mr R Beech Dr S Druce Mr F Dumbleton Mr R Girling Mr B Morris Mr J Lewis, Mr M Urso-Cale	Chairman
	Mr R Waite Mr M Fox-Davies Mrs M E Morris	District Councillor County Councillor Parish Clerk

5 members of the public

1. **Apologies for Absence** None
2. **Declarations of Interest** None
3. **Minutes** of the last meeting were signed as a true record.
4. **Area Beat Officer's Report**
None - Clerk will check with PCSO Deane.
5. **Open Forum**
 - (i) Mrs Woods noted that there is no sign to say where 40mph limit starts. Mr Fox-Davies said it is on the list.
 - (ii) Mr Woods asked if there is a green area at Pegasus Close. There is a small one.
 - (iii) Mr Woods asked if the Council knew about the Oxford - Cambridge Expressway Map and the letter sent by Cllr Matthew Barber to Lord Adonis opposing the Expressway and upgrade of A34.
Mr Fox-Davies said he had contacted Highways Oxfordshire for information. Highways England is the owners of the Scheme and there will be a due process of consultations before any decisions are made. There is a slide presentation of a stakeholder event on the Government/DfT website. Mr Fox-Davies will send the link. He noted that the corridors are only potential ones; there are no planned routes but only corridors. They cannot be included in the Local Plans as there are no plans yet. Mr Broad asked if the Scheme was funded. Mr Fox-Davies did not know.
 - (iv) Lack of wooden posts at Harwell still to be reported.
 - (v) A member of the public asked why nothing had been done about the traffic sensor. Mr Fox-Davies said it had been reported.
 - (vi) A member of the public asked why there was no Police presence. The Clerk said they were possibly off duty or dealing with something more urgent.
6. **District Council Report**
Mr Waite reported that:-

- (i) The owners of Warren Piece will have the area cleared by the end of the year. The area is now hazardous and it was noted that children have been playing in the area, it will also encourage fly tipping.
- (ii) The stables in Dene Hollow – the Clerk reported that Victoria Cartmel had phoned to say the Vale requested the mobile home to be clad in timber to match the rest of the stable buildings. It would be done as soon as possible.
- (iii) The Didcot Garden Town team is asking residents, businesses and community group leaders to join and become actively involved in shaping the whole garden town area.
- (iv) Residents in South Oxfordshire and the Vale of White Horse have been urged not to put batteries or other items which could cause a fire in their waste or recycling wheelie bin.
- (v) Work leading to the reopening of a disused underpass on the edge of Milton Park is now in its final stages, with the next phase of the project set to be completed this month.
- (vi) Vale of White Horse District Council has published part 2 of its Local Plan and invited residents to comments by 22 November. The comments will be submitted along with the Plan to the Secretary of State in the New Year. It will then be examined by a planning inspector later next year.
- (vii) More support will be provided to the small and medium businesses in our district thanks to the Vale4Business action plan.
- (viii) A woman from Ashbury in the Vale of White Horse has been ordered to pay £1,630 after being found guilty of running a pet shop without a licence.
- (ix) A man has been sentenced to eight weeks in prison after admitting carrying out two fly-tips in Oxfordshire on the same day.

7. County Council Report

Mr Fox-Davies reported that :-

- (i) News that ground-breaking transport technology being pioneered in Oxfordshire has won a share of a £51million government prize has been welcomed by two council leaders. Oxfordshire is home to Science Vale UK and some world leading science and technology companies who are blazing a trail towards more energy efficient and road safety.
- (ii) Applications for children due to start primary school in September 2018 can now be made online. Families with children born between 1 September 2013 and 31 August 2014 are urged to visit the primary school admissions pages on the county council’s website to find out how to apply for places for next year. The Clerk to put the article in the Chronicle.
- (iii) Oxfordshire County Council is launching a series of events to tackle sellers of illegal tobacco. Trading Standards Officers and sniffer dogs will take to the streets to ask for the public’s help and crack down on this criminal activity.
- (iv) The new Westgate Centre has opened in Oxford.
- (v) Mr Fox-Davies asked if the Parish Council were applying for Locality Funding. The Clerk will contact Blewbury and East Hendred Parish Councils to see what they had applied for.
- (vi) Mr Girling asked if the Chilton Field roads had been adopted yet. Mr Fox-Davies will check.

8. Planning

- (i) Applications considered by the Parish Council

Application for amendment to P17/V2315/FUL dwelling at Willow Farm.

Comments

No objections.

It was agreed to meet on Wednesday 15th November to discuss the Council’s response to Part 2 of the Local Plan. Mr Waite will let the Clerk borrow his hard copy of the Plan. The

Vale has invited the Parish Council to meet with them to discuss the housing at the Harwell Campus. Mr Broad and Dr Druce to go.

(ii) Applications determined by the Vale

Permission for Variation of condition 2 of planning permission P16/V1243/O Land north of Manor Close P17/1628/FUL

Permission for reserved matters for landscaping –Manor Close P17/V1730/RM

Mr Fox-Davies left the meeting at 8.50pm

(iii) Enforcement Matters

Following a report of a fence being moved at 7 Chilton Field Way, it was agreed to write to the Enforcement Officer again regarding the significant encroachment onto the Open Space, the loss of parking space and a parked car extending onto the pavement.

Mr Waite left the meeting at 9.00pm

9. Matters Arising

- (i) A letter has been posted to Mr King re the green container.
- (ii) A list of private roads has been put on the website.
- (iii) The manhole has a temporary cover over it with two cones as well.
- (iv) The Dene Hollow track has been resurfaced. A letter has been received from the stable owners thanking the Parish Council for their help re the re-surfacing of Dene Hollow and offering to make a donation to the Parish Council. The owners to be reminded about using an alternative route for large vehicles rather than Dene Hollow.
- (v) Slip roads – the list has been updated again and sent to Mr Fox-Davies.
- (vi) Neighbourhood Plan – Dr Druce reported that the Vale have formally accepted the designated area for the Plan minus Severn Road and the War Memorial. The next stage is to develop the Plan so that a grant can be applied for. A secretary for the meetings is now urgently needed, a note to be put in the Chronicle. Some of the grant money can be used to pay a secretary.
- (vii) Chilton Field - Mr Broad said that he and the Clerk had met with Simon Kirk to discuss a way forward. It seemed a helpful meeting, it was explained that the Council had used a Consultant to arrive at the figures for the trees. Simon Kirk said he would look at the figures and come back to the Parish Council. A reminder has been sent as there has been no further news.
- (viii) Tanglenet – Fawns have carried out the repairs.

10. Defibrillators

Mr Girling asked if there were any more ideas for fund raising for the defibrillators. The Clerk said the WI is raising money at the Diamond Open Day on 11th November and there may possibly be a dance in February/March. So far £1227 has been raised.

11. Festival 2018

Mr Girling said there would be a Chilton Village and Harwell Campus Festival on 9th June 2018 and will be supporting Helen and Douglas House and Young Carers in the Community. More stallholders are needed. The Clerk noted that the Church and WI will have stalls. It was agreed that the Parish Council will support the Festival.

12. Finance

- (i) Expenditure

Cheques

63. AAD Plumbing Ltd. – tap on allotments Chilton Field	240.00
64. Mrs Morris – Oct. salary, toner, AONB registration fee	365.00
65. Berinsfield - September grass cutting	333.84
66. L Rees - Chron 440	85.80
67. LexisNexis – Copy of Local Council Administration	64.60
<u>Total</u>	<u>1089.24</u>

Petty Cash

5 weeks litter clearing 50.00

Balances

Treasurers Account	500.00
Instant Access	52165.15
Business Account	26528.18
Petty Cash	70.00

(ii) Request for a donation from Sue Ryder Hospice at Nettlebed – No does not meet the criteria.

13. Village Hall Management Committee Report

Balances: Main a/c1, 616.06; Savings a/c 10,001.23; Social fund 489.21 The 2016/17 accounts are with the auditor. With the increase of regular hirers there is over £1.0k of monthly invoices.

Emily O'Shea organised the very successful Scarecrow Trail and is thinking about a flower show for 9th June Festival. There may be a Valentine Social.

14. Reports of Meetings Attended

(i) North Wessex Downs AONB Annual Forum

Mr Morris and Mr Dumbleton attended, there were 4 interesting presentations; the impact on health and walking outdoors, The Ridgeway Trail Project, The Chalk Way from Dorset to Flamborough Head and one on a suggestion that there should be the ability to use bikes on footpaths. In the afternoon there was a walk lead by the artist Anna Dillon.

(ii) Mr Dumbleton attended the Parish Transport Representatives meeting.

(iii) Mr Broad noted that Magnox are keen for applications for grants from the Socio-economic fund. ? A possibility for the defibrillators.

15. Play Equipment Inspection

Mr Girling carried out the inspection. A photographic record is in the folder, the protective sleeve on the zip wire is split and one of the wooden steps on the slide tube is rotten.

Mr Morris to do next inspection.

Dr Clements noted that there is some rot in the climber on the Chilton Field Toddler play area.

16. Correspondence

From the circulated list it was noted:-

(i) A meeting on 21 November re Didcot Garden Town. Mr Broad may go.

(ii) OALC has sent guidelines for the new General Data Protection Regulations that come into force in May 2018.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.25pm.