

Minutes of Chilton Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 16th January 2019 at 8.00 pm in the Community Room.

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| Present | Mr C Broad | Chairman | |
| | Mr R Girling | | |
| | Mr Lewis | | |
| | Mr Roots-Petty | | |
| | Mr Urso-Cale, | | |
| | Mr M Fox-Davies | County Councillor | From 8.15pm |
| | Mr R Waite | District Councillor | From 8.15pm |
| | Ms J Shelley | District Councillor | From 8.15pm |
| | Mrs M E Morris | Parish Clerk | |

6 members of the public

1. **Apologies for Absence** were received from Dr S Druce, Mr B Morris and Mr F Dumbleton.
2. **Declarations of Interest** None
3. **Minutes** of the last Meeting were signed as a true record.
4. **Area Beat Officer's Report**
PC Merritt emailed that there was nothing of note for December and January so far.
5. **Open Forum**
 - (i) In response to a question, the Petrol Station application will be discussed at a separate planning meeting.
 - (ii) Mr Woods noted that the Didcot Herald had 4 articles referring to Chilton.
6. **Planning**
 - (i) **Applications considered by the Parish Council**
Application for erection of a new roadside service area comprising petrol filling station, retail shop (Class A1), electric car charging points, drive-through unit (Class A3/A5), parking and associated works. Land at A34 Chilton Interchange Chilton P18/V3052/FUL
This application to be discussed at separate public planning meeting on Tuesday 29th January at 8.00pm in the Village Hall.
 - (ii) **Applications determined by the Vale**
Permission for application for bus stops at Fermi Ave, Eight Street and Curie Ave. Harwell Campus P18/V2299/FUL
Permission for application for erection of Class B1 research and development building to be known as Rosalind Franklin Institute with associated car parking. Land west of Road 6 RAL P18/V1996/FUL
Permission for application for erection of two Class B1 research and development buildings, R114 and extension to R100 with associated car park and relocated car park. Land north of Fermi Avenue P18/V2196/FUL
Permission for application for Variation of condition 2 of permission P18/V1431/FUL Erection of new building R115 to replace R74. RAL P18/V2823/FUL
Permission for front and side single storey extension. Kilbo South Row. P18/V2838/FUL
7. **Matters Arising**
 - (i) **Main Street Hedge**
Household to be contacted.
 - (ii) **County Council Priority Funding**
Mr Roots-Petty to obtain a further quote for work on the footpath.

- (iii) Neighbourhood Plan
Mr Broad reported that there is to be meeting later in January to discuss the green spaces in the Village.
- (iv) Chilton Field
The form for the Sec 106 money is in the process of being completed.
- (v) Play Equipment
The work at the Toddler Play Area has been completed. The work in the playing field has not yet been completed.
- (v) Mr Sanders cut back the vegetation by the Garden Centre end of the footbridge. The Clerk wrote and thanked him, a note will be put in the Chronicle.

8. District Council Report

From Mr Waite's written report it was noted:-

- (i) Modifications to Vale's Local Plan Part Two; The Inspector stated he is "now satisfied that the examination can progress to the next stage and am able to provide an outline of the Main Modifications to the plan which are required for soundness. In addition to the need to amend the proposals for Dalton Barracks which was dealt with in my earlier letters, the most significant of these modifications is the deletion of the housing allocation of 1,000 dwellings at Harwell Campus which is not justified by the available evidence. The reasons for the Main Modifications will be set out in my final report."
- (ii) Enquiries for Vale grants can be made by visiting the Vale's website.
- (iii) Business owners, managers, leaders and entrepreneurs attended the launch of the business awards at Cornerstone on 31st October. The closing date for nominations is 18th January.
- (iv) Hundreds of empty homes in southern Oxfordshire could be brought back into use as a result of increased charges proposed by South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils. The two councils are set to increase the amount of council tax that property owners must pay on homes which are left empty for more than two years, with an even greater premium after five years and the years unoccupied.
- (v) There will be a meeting of the Didcot Garden Town Board on 6th February
- (vi) From Monday, 4 February a free five-day business course will be held in Faringdon to help people kick start a new business and to support independent businesses grow and succeed.
- (vii) Fly-tipping can be reported online using the Vale's [online form](#), or telephone 03000 610 610 or email admin.vale@biffa.co.uk or contact your local District Councillor.

The full report can be found on the Parish Council website.

Mr Woods asked if the District and County Councillors are for or against the Expressway. Mr Fox-Davies said he will be supporting the residents in their views. Mr Waite said he would be supporting Chilton residents in their objections. There should be a public consultation in the autumn.

9. County Council Report

From Mr Fox-Davies written report it was noted:-

- (i) Tough decisions taken since 2010 have created a route to financial stability at OCC as the council plans to set its 2019/20 budget at a time when all councils face financial challenges. The main budget proposals are:
 - Investment of almost £6m by 2023 to increase care packages to meet assessed needs for adults with learning and physical disabilities. (Adult Social Care)
 - An increase of £5.8m is proposed to be added to the budget in 2022/23 in adult social care to meet projected increased need as a result of the aging population. The council's existing planning up to 2021/22 already includes provision for budget increases of £5.0m in 2019/20 and 2020/21 and £5.6m in 2021/22. (Adult Social Care)
 - Invest £3.2m up to 2023 (£800,000 per year) to support the increasing number of children qualifying for school transport – in particular children with special educational needs. (Children, Education and Families)
 - Invest £17m to support the predicted increasing numbers of children in care, including more permanent care staff (Children, Education and Families)
- (ii) Living longer and living better is the drive behind a new Older People's Strategy for Oxfordshire. The strategy sets out how OCC and Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group will deliver a positive future for the county's older population.
- (iii) Twenty-nine organisations have been recommended to receive grants from the county council's adult social care Sustainability Fund. The fund was established last year as part of measures designed to enable the ongoing delivery of daytime support services in Oxfordshire. A grant pot of £250,000 was approved for

2019/20 and community and voluntary organisations were invited to apply for the fund between 18 September to 2 November 2018.

- (iv) Plans to create significant new provision for Oxfordshire children with special educational needs (SEND) have been agreed by councillors, with a £15m investment set to create 300 new places which will involve a major rebuild for Northfield School in Oxford.
- (v) Journeys on Oxfordshire’s roads have already been significantly improved in recent months thanks to an extra £10million being spent by OCC this year on repairing and improving road surfaces. Government announced in November that OCC would get £7.4 in additional funding to top-up this activity.
- (vi) OCC has welcomed the government’s new Waste and Resources Strategy for England, describing it as “ambitious”, with the potential to “transform the way that waste is viewed and managed.
- (vii) Oxfordshire has been named the best performing county council waste disposal authority in England for its recycling rates during 2017/18. The success reflects OCC’s commitment to work with districts to protect the environment. Figures published on Tuesday 11 December by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) show that Oxfordshire is the highest performing disposal authority, ahead of Buckinghamshire and Cambridgeshire.

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Mr Fox-Davies noted that there had been unanimous support at the County for a second consultation on the reservoir. There is a request for a public inquiry which Ed Vaizey MP is supporting.

The planning application for Steventon Bridge will go to Appeal with a decision later this year.

Blaze are starting work on Chilton Field Way, it may be part of the remediation work.

Mr Roots-Petty asked if there was any information regarding the Keep Clear signs. Mr Fox-Davies will check.

Mr Fox-Davies, Mr Waite and Ms Shelley left the meeting at 8.40pm

10. **Finance**

(i) Expenditure

Cheques

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| 75. Mrs Morris – Dec salary and expenses | 326.00 |
| 76. CPRE – Annual subscription | 36.00 |
| 77. Thames Water Utilities Ltd – Allotment water | 18.08 |
| 78. L Rees – Chronicle 453 | 42.90 |
| 79. SLCC – Annual membership | 89.00 |
| 81. Gavin Jones - December POS maintenance | 2131.91 |
| 82. OCC – Payment for Lower Road speed check survey | 120.00 |
| 83. Fenland Leisure – Repair to Toddler Play Area, Community Room | 1615.38 |
| Total | 4379.27 |

Petty Cash

4 weeks litter clearing 40.00

Balances

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| Treasurers Account | 500.00 |
| Instant Access | 287394.69 |
| Business Account | 83700.05 |
| Petty Cash | 90.00 |

- (ii) Prior to the meeting the Budget papers for 2019/20 were circulated, following a discussion the Budget was amended and proposed by Mr Broad, seconded by Mr Girling that the Precept for 2019/20 should be £20,194 giving a figure of £30.28 per band D house. It was accepted unanimously.
- (iii) The Friends of the Ridgeway subscription is due - £15.00 – it was agreed to pay.

11. **Village Hall Management Committee Report**

Not available.

12. Play Equipment Inspection

Dr Druce had carried out the last inspection. Mr Lewis to do the next one.

13. Correspondence

From the circulated list it was noted:-

- (i) Dr Druce had circulated comments on the CIL consultation. These comments are to be incorporated into the Parish Council's comments.
- (ii) The Salvation Army had written asking if a clothing recycling bank could be sited on Parish Council land. It was agreed that the Village Hall car park would be a suitable site. The Clerk will contact the Salvation Army for further information.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.00pm