

Present	Mr C Broad	Chairman
	Dr J Berry	
	Mr F Dumbleton	
	Mr R Girling	
	Mr M Urso-Cale	
	Ms H Gascoigne	District Councillor
	Ms S Medley	District Councillor
	Mrs M E Morris	Parish Clerk
	19 Members of the public	

- 1. Apologies for Absence** were received from Dr S Druce, Mr J Lewis, Mr M Fox-Davies, Mrs S North and PCSO T Deane.
- 2. Chairman's Report**

Mr Broad welcomed everyone and referred to his previously published report. The Local Plan Part 2 has been examined by the Inspector who asked for the removal of the 1000 houses on the Harwell Campus. A revised plan will emerge from the Campus with a smaller number of houses just for Campus employees. It is probable that the shops will be redeveloped at some point. There is no further news regarding the proposed Expressway or the proposed Petrol station at the Chilton roundabout. Mr Broad then thanked Mr Morris who had stepped down after 24 years as a Councillor due to ill health. He also thanked Mr Beech for his 8 years and Mr Roots-Petty.

There were no questions on the Report.
- 3. Resumé of the last Meeting**

The Clerk read a brief resumé of the last meeting.
- 4. Matters Arising**

At the last APM there was a request for the speed limit on Lower Road to be reduced. Following a speed survey by OCC it was decided that no further action would be taken.
- 5. Comments on Items in the Chronicle**
  - Mr Girling reminded everyone about the forthcoming STEAM day at Harwell Campus and the Service of Remembrance at the Stone. This year is the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of D-Day.
  - Dr Walter said thank you for the Chronicle, it is very useful.
  - Mrs Goodall noted that there would be the Charity Market on 8<sup>th</sup> June on Crafts End Green in aid of Brain Tumour Research.
  - Mr Smith asked about the sums of money that the Council had received recently. The Clerk explained that they were Sec 106 payments related to the Chilton Field development. Some of the money was for maintenance of the Public Open Space and some was for the Equipped Activity Area which should be constructed soon.
  - There was a complaint regarding the long grass on the verges, the Parish Council is only responsible for some areas in the village but not the verges.
- 6. Area Beat Officer's Report**

The Clerk read out a brief report from PCSO Deane covering the past 10 months. In that time there have been 14 reported incidents including theft, burglary, attempted burglary, criminal damage and hare coursing/poaching.
- 7. County Council Report**

Mr Broad read out the report from Mr Fox-Davies which covered key issues in the County. The full report can be found on the Parish Council website under Annual Reports.

**8. District Council Report**

Mr Broad welcomed Hayleigh Gascoigne and Sarah Medley as the new District Councillors. They noted that there had already been a Full Council Meeting and they were doing their best to get up to speed. They cannot promise to fix problems will do their best to help. There was a question regarding the Work of Art, Ms. Medley said she would try and find some information.

Ms Gascoigne is on the Oxfordshire Growth Board Scrutiny Panel, joint Scrutiny Committee and a substitute on the Planning Committee. Ms Medley is on the Community Governance and Electoral Issues Committee. They are both looking forward to working with the communities.

Mr Girling said that there is an issue with the construction traffic for the Harwell Campus car park. There is very little understanding about the sheer complexity of all the building and the impact it will have on Chilton Field and Severn Road. He is not against development but there needs to be proper consultation and infrastructure should not come last but first. Ms Medley said that the Liberal Democrats are very much in agreement and want to have infrastructure brought to the fore.

**9. Neighbourhood Plan Report**

Mr Broad reported that the Plan is progressing well, they are collecting evidence and looking to draft planning policies. When it is adopted it will become an important document and planning applications will have to comply with the Policies.

**10. Chilton School Report**

Mrs Morris, Vice Chair of Governors, read out the report. This is the last Annual Report from Mrs North as she retires at the end of the School year having been Head Teacher since January 2011. The Report noted that there had been an Ofsted Inspection in February which had many positives regarding the School. The School is continuing to expand as 45 children are taken into Reception. From September there will be 2 small Reception classes, three Key Stage 1 classes (years 1 and 2), three Lower Key stage 2 classes (Years 3 and 4) and two “stand alne2 classes in upper Key Stage 2 (Years 5 and 6).

Chilton Primary School is one of 720 designated Lead Teaching Schools across the country and the School will continue to work across Oxfordshire as a Lead School in Oxfordshire Teaching School Alliance.

The School has a broad and creative curriculum which is designed to motivate and engage all the children and ensure that the School motto is a reality for all “Learning to Live and Living to Learn”.

The new Head Teacher, Mr Zaheer Ahmed takes his post on 1<sup>st</sup> September.

The full report has been published in the Chronicle.

**11. Village Hall Management Committee Report**

Mr Smith read out the Annual Report. The Village Hall and Community Room continue to maintain a healthy list of regular hirer groups, covering diverse interests such as Art Groups through to Zumba. This year Rosehips and Barre Fitness have joined the list of classes now taking place. Thus proving that both facilities continue to be a vital asset to the community. The VHMC reviewed the Hirer rates for both venues in January and the decision was made to hold rates for this coming year. Reserves continue to be healthy, this is in part due to no major works having been required over the last twelve months.

Unfortunately, Brian Morris, the secretary had to stand down earlier this year due ill health. The VHMC would like to take this opportunity to thank him for the many years he was a member of the VHMC. Brian was such an enthusiastic and dedicated member of the Committee, and he is truly missed.

Mr Smith concluded by thanking all the VHMC for their dedication, time and effort over the past 12 months, without them we would not have either of these venues available to the community.

**12. Appointment of Two Independent Representatives to the Village Hall Committee**

Mr John Smith and Mrs Alex Kapp were nominated and accepted by all.

**13. General Discussion**

- (i) It was noted that there are some new bus stops on the Campus with a turnaround at the end of Fermi Avenue. The Bus stop in Curie Avenue is for the Science Shuttle bus. The new bus stops should not make any difference to the Chilton service.

- (ii) MrAlner asked about some seating close to the Children's play area. Some Sec 106 money is due to come from Pegasus Close for improving the play equipment; seating can be looking into then.
- (iii) Dr Berry said we are fortunate to have the bus service as Chilton is an off shoot of the Campus service. We must make sure that we use it so that we don't lose it.
- (iv) Ms Gascoigne said she had been approached by the developers regarding the Petrol station and wishes to know the Parish Council's views. Mr Broad said that the Council is against the application and all the comments regarding the application are on the Vale website. Chilton has small village status and if there is a 24 hour petrol station we might lose the status. This would then open the way to more, larger developments.
- (v) It was reported that A34 in Oxfordshire, particularly in the Vale area is always covered in litter. If Berkshire can keep the A34 clean, why not Oxfordshire.

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the Meeting at 8.55pm