

Minutes of the Chilton Parish Council Meeting held in the Community Room on Wednesday 6th October 2021 at 8.00 pm

Present	Mr C Broad	Chairman
	Dr J A Berry	
	Dr Druce	
	Mr F Dumbleton	
	Mr M Urso-Cale	
	Ms S Povolotsky	County Councillor
	Mrs M E Morris	Parish Clerk
	1 Member of the public	

1. **Apologies for Absence** were received from Ms L Bent, Mr R Girling, Ms H Gascoigne and Ms S Medley.
2. **Declarations of Interest** Mr Dumbleton declared an interest in item 8(i) The Blenheims as he is a neighbour and Dr Berry declared an interest in item 8(i) 5 Visitor Cabins as he is a neighbour. The Register was signed.
3. **Minutes of the last Meeting and the last Planning Meeting** were signed as a true record.
4. **Area Beat Officer's Report**
PC Merritt had emailed to say that there had been a report of a suspicious person in Pegasus Close taking photos, the person liked the houses. Also a report of a suspicious vehicle left in Crafts End.
5. **Open Forum**
No issues raised.
6. **District Council Report**
The District Councillors were attending a Full Council meeting at the Vale. The previously circulated report was on the website. Dr Druce wanted to know when the offices in Milton Park would be open again.
7. **County Council Report**
The previously circulated report is on the website. Ms Povolotsky reminded the Council about the Oxfordshire 2050 consultation which closes in two days' time. Dr Druce will respond on behalf of the Council. There is a Libraries and Museums consultation on going. Ms Povolotsky is meeting with the Director of the Oxford Bus Company and the Bus implementation Plan is coming to Cabinet. One of the points raised in the Neighbourhood Plan was a bus service to Newbury, Ms Povolotsky will contact the Campus for information regarding a bus to Newbury. Ms Povolotsky is raising a question for Cabinet regarding the Hagbourne Hill situation, there has been a site visit by an OCC Officer and a design is being prepared.
Dr Berry said that it is difficult to know when bus services are affected by school holidays; the information is on the website.
8. **Planning**
 - (i) **Applications Considered by the Parish Council**
Application to demolish existing rear conservatory, new single storey rear extension, relocate front door with new porch, new driveway entrance from Main Street, block existing driveway entrance and internal alterations. The Blenheims Main Street. P21/V2679/HH
Comments
No objections.
Application for single storey rear extension with pitch roof & timber cladding 2 no. High level pitch rooflights
Glass link rear extension. Front porch extension with lean to roof over and roofing tiles to match existing.
Bargeway House , Lawson Lane. P21/V2692/HH

Comments

The Parish Council has no objections but would like a condition placed so that the extension cannot become a separate building.

Amendments no.2 to application P21/V1630/FUL – Provision of 5 units of visitor accommodation for outdoor/rural pursuits. South Row

Comments

This additional information has already been presented to the Parish Council at a prior Planning meeting and already considered. The additional documents submitted by the Applicant concentrate on landscape and site access claiming that there are comparable precedents for the development. However this is an application by an individual to build units of habitable accommodation in an AONB outside the Development Boundary of Chilton. It is claimed that Skippetts Stables is a precedent but this development is an equine business with owners accommodation linked to the business making it fundamentally different from this application. Skippetts also has three distinct access routes; one from the A34 used by HGV's for access to a Waste Transfer Station and farm as well as the stables; one from the A417 at Upton and the BOAT from Chilton referred to by the Applicant. This application is for several units of habitable accommodation in an AONB and there are examples of enforcement and or refusal for comparable accommodation including several attempts to establish accommodation at Warren Piece (adjacent to Chilton Parish Boundary), conversion of a barn at Willow Tree Farm to include an accommodation unit and the removal of secondary accommodation at Skippetts Stables. Chilton Parish Council continues to object to this application.

(ii) Applications Determined by the Vale

Permission for demolition of existing conservatory & erection of part two storey & single storey rear extension with internal alterations. 12 Elderfield Crescent P21/V1728/HH

Permission for erection of the Optics Fabrication Building. Land north of Diamond synchrotron P21/V1903/FUL

9. Matters Arising

(i) V Hall website

Mr Woods details have been removed.

(ii) Co-opting a new Councillor

Two expressions of interest have been received, it was agreed to hold a meeting on 13th October to meet the two candidates, Sharon Scott and Matthew Hansard.

(iii) Church Hill Sign

Mr Francis is chasing the contractor and waiting for an installation date.

(iv) Neighbourhood Plan

A successful Referendum was held and is being presented to the Vale at the full Council meeting on 6th October.

(v) RoSPA Checklist

Has been amended.

(vi) Play Equipment Working Group

Mr Broad will set up a preliminary meeting of the Group.

(vii) Tender for Tree Work

The Tender has been sent to Ringrose Tree Services, Jenks Oxford and Crosscut Tree Surgeons, responses awaited. Mr Beech asked if he could remove some of the logs already on the land, it was agreed.

(viii) Bus Consultation

Form completed and submitted.

(ix) Collard Skips

The Clerk contacted the Company and they said the driver “ will be dealt with appropriately through an internal process” The Company have offered a free skip for a community event.

(x) Charity Paddock

Two expressions of interest were received for renting the paddock; one for keeping chickens and other to graze horses. After a discussion it was decided that the paddock should be used for grazing horses at £17.00 per week. The Clerk to notify both people and draw up the Tenancy agreement.

10. Finance**(i) Expenditure**Cheques

33. Dr S Druce - Neighbourhood Plan banners	84.35
34. Parish on line renewal	40.50
35. Miss K Sachania - Rock Choir donation 7 th August	20.00
36. Nuture Landscape Ltd - August POS	2216.30
37. Mrs M Morris - Sept. Salary +expenses	354.79
39. Mrs Morris - Chronicle 481	132.48
40. Thames Water Utilities - Lower Road allotments	51.49
41. Moore - External audit fee	480.00
42. Came & Company - Insurance renewal	5901.57
43. The Landscape Group Oxford - August grass cutting	347.16
Total	9628.64

Petty Cash

5 weeks litter clearing 50.00

(ii) Income

SA Clothing Bank - August 21.21

2nd instalment Precept 9498.00

Paddock rental 450.00

9969.21

Balances

Treasurers Account 500.00

Instant Access 158126.74

Business Account 144841.20

Petty Cash 110.00

(iii) From September the SA Clothing Bank remittance will be increasing by 50%.

(iv) The External Audit Report and Certificate have been received, there were no matters arising. The Conclusion of Audit Notice has been posted on the website.

(v) The Clerk's monitor had failed some months ago and a borrowed one is being used, it was agreed that as the present computer is 11 years old a new one would be purchased. It was agreed to buy a Dell Desk top and monitor at £550.

11. Village Hall Management Committee Report

Dr Berry reported that a new member had joined the Committee, Mrs M McGoey. Dr Berry asked when the Parish Council was going to repay the VAT that was owed to the VHMC on the Morris Room. The Clerk explained that the VHMC was not owed any VAT. After a discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council will buy the litter bin for the Community Room, Dr Berry to let the Clerk know what style is required.

12. Play Equipment Inspection

Mr Broad had carried out the playing field inspection, Sawscape had also carried out their quarterly inspection of all the play equipment and sent the reports to the Clerk. Sawscape had sent a quote for the work that needed doing following the RoSPA inspection. It was agreed not to replace the tired safety surfaces as they will be affected by the Play Group Working Party. It was agreed to replace the seat on the Triceps Press, have the work carried out on the wooden climber, have the Wicksteed swing legs re-set, the area under the surfboard rocker levelled and re-turfed, the football posts repainted and the basketball post repainted.

Prior to the meeting Mr Girling had circulated a possible design for the play area sign on Chilton Field, he was thanked for his work but it was felt that there was possibly too much information and people wouldn't read it. The Clerk to design a simpler notice.

13. Correspondence

From the circulated list it was noted:-

- (i) The Vale is holding 2 ethical standards training sessions on 9 and 18 November on Teams, the Clerk will circulate the links prior to the meetings so Councillors can attend.
- (ii) OCC is running 2 workshops on 18 and 21 October on Teams to introduce the County Council's new priorities.
- (iii) A complaint had been received regarding a tree by The Rookery, the Clerk will ask Nuture to check the tree.
- (iv) A request had been made for a zebra crossing on Chilton Field Way, the Clerk will reply with information re the 20mph for Chilton Field.
- (v) A note to be put in the Chronicle thanking Mr Aldridge for clearing some footpaths.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.50pm