Present Mr C Broad Chairman

Dr J A Berry Dr S Druce Mr R Girling Dr M Hansard Mr M Urso-Cale

Ms H Gascoigne District Councillor Mrs M E Morris Parish Clerk

3 members of the public

- **1. Apologies for Absence** Ms L Bent, Mr F Dumbleton and Ms S Povolotsky.
- **Declarations of Interest** Dr Druce declared an interest in Item 10(i) Planning, P22/V1268/HH as he is a neighbour. The Register was signed.
- **Minutes of the last Meeting**, the Annual Parish Meeting and the Planning Meeting were signed as a true record.

## 4. Area Beat Officer's Report

None

#### 5. Open Forum

(i) Ms Del Cano asked if speed bumps could be installed along Upper Farm Road, the traffic has increased recently and there are two footpaths from Chilton Field that open directly onto the road. The exits are not very visible. It was agreed to contact OCC for advice.

#### 6. District Council Report

Ms Gascoigne reported on the Great Western Park meeting regarding the new Medical Centre. Woodlands Medical Centre will be running the surgery, a pre-application planning advice has been submitted and the next step is to apply for planning permission. The money and site have been allocated and it is hoped that building will commence in the next 18 months. The Centre will cover Didcot and the surrounding villages, this will be a long process, and the OCCG could not specify exact timescales, but it was emphasised that both OCCG, the VWHDC and SODC are committed to delivering the medical centre as soon as possible.

# 7. <u>County Council Report</u>

Ms Povolotsky phoned to say that she had attended a bus summit meeting and would be attending the Big Bus Summit on 24<sup>th</sup> June. The new Newbury bus when it starts will run from Newbury, Chilton, Harwell, Didcot to Oxford. The Clerk to ask for an update on Hagbourne Hill and the recent problem in Main Street.

#### 8. Acceptance of the New Code of Conduct

It was proposed by Mr Broad, seconded by Mr Girling that Chilton Parish Council adopts the new Code of Conduct. It was accepted by all.

#### 9. VWHDC/SODC Joint Local Plan Consultation

Prior to the meeting Dr Druce had produced and circulated a list of proposed answers to the consultation questions. It was agreed to accept the answers, the Clerk to respond to the consultation.

# 10. Planning

(i) Applications considered by the Parish Council

Application for two storey side/front and single storey rear extension. Additional parking to frontage with extended crossover. 7 Crafts End. P22/V1268/HH
<u>Comments No objections</u>

## (ii) Applications determined by the Vale

The installation of Solar PV panels on the roof of building R105 & R106 on RAL on Harwell Campus P22/V0819/N8A

The installation of Solar PV panels on the roof of building R8 & R9 on RAL on Harwell Campus.

P22/V0822/N8A

The installation of Solar PV panels on the roof of building R1 at RAL P22/V0823/N8A

The installation of Solar PV panels on the roof of building R97 at RAL P22/V0824/N8A

The installation of Solar PV panels on the roof of building R25, R61 & R68 on RAL on Harwell Campus P22/V0826/N8A

The installation of Solar PV panels on the roof of building R22 at RAL P22/V0827/N8A

All of the above applications have been withdrawn.

Permission for erection of new single storey rear and side extension. New roof to existing garage to tie in with new extension 1 Crafts End. P22/V0832/HH

## (iii) Appeal for Holiday Cabins

APP/V3120/W/22/3291651

#### Comments

The Parish Council's original comments still stand, and they continue to be strongly opposed to this proposal which contravenes the Neighbourhood Plan. The Parish Council fully supports the reasons for refusal given by the Vale.

## 11. Matters Arising

(i) Open Forum – Chalk Hill

The Clerk wrote to the Vale re the hedges.

(ii) Queen's Platinum Jubilee

The Big Lunch was well attended by both sides of the village despite damp weather, the Clerk is waiting for a small number of expenses to come in.

(iii) Play Equipment Working Group

Mr Urso-Cale reported that there will be a consultation on 16<sup>th</sup> July in the Village Hall and the Community Room. Jupiter have emailed some mood boards; the Working Group have discussed them and some changes are to be made. The next meeting of the Working Group will be the first Wednesday of the month. A note to go in the Chronicle re the consultation.

(iv) Festival at Amphitheatre

Mr Urso-Cale noted that he has not booked any acts yet but is still hoping to do something in August.

(v) <u>F/P 11</u>

Rights of Way response forwarded to Ms Povolotsky, awaiting to hear from her.

(vi) County Council Report

The Clerk wrote to Mr Francis re exiting the village from Lower Road, the only way to improve it is to instal signals which are very expensive, so this is very unlikely to happen.

# 12. Finance

(i) <u>Expenditure</u>

Cheques

| 00. Nurture Landscapes - April POS work   | 2216.30  |
|---|----------|
| 02. Nurture Landscapes - Church Path work | 9660.00  |
| 03. Mrs Morris - May salary               | 360.75   |
| 04. Mrs Morris - Chronicle 489            | 132.48   |
| 05. Nurture Landscapes - May POS work     | 2216.30  |
| Total                                     | 14585.83 |

**Petty Cash** 

7 weeks litter clearing 70.00

(ii) <u>Income</u>

Paddock rental 450.00

SA Clothing Bank 43.78
-------493.78

**Balances** 

Treasurers Account 500.00
Instant Access 127322.43
Business Account 155111.17
Petty Cash 120.00

- (iii) The Parish Council approved the Annual Governance section of the Annual Return. Proposed by Mr Broad, seconded by Dr Berry and accepted by all.
- (iv) The Parish Council approved the Annual Return. Proposed by Mr Broad, seconded by Dr Berry and accepted by all.
- (v) The books have been returned from the Internal Audit, there were no matters arising. The Council thanked Mr Gibson. It was proposed and accepted by all that Mr Gibson be appointed Internal Auditor for 2022/23. It was agreed that in lieu of payment, the Clerk would purchase 8 bottles of wine.
- (vi) Oxfordshire Wildlife Rescue request for £250 donation, the charity does not meet the Council's criteria.
- (vii) Charity Commission Annual Return completed and returned.
- (viii) The Clerk contacted the Insurance Company for an update on the insurance claim. The claimant's solicitor provided medical evidence but did not provide clarity to some discrepancies that had been raised. Due to this and given the circumstance change from the CNF to the contemporaneous A&E entry the Insurers have formally withdrawn the breach of duty and denied liability in full. The Insurance company will keep the Council updated.

# 13. <u>Village Hall Management Committee Report</u>

Dr Berry reported that bookings continue to be good and the total finance stand at £54,470. Ms Fiona Goodenough has now taken over as Chair of the VHMC and Dr Berry is the interim Secretary. New members are actively being recruited. Sharon Scott will do a note for the Chronicle re the patio consultation. Quotes are still being sort for the ongoing maintenance projects. There have been problems with wedding groups leaving the hall in a very poor condition, one group will not have their deposit returned. The VHMC to discuss weddings at a future meeting.

## 14. Play Equipment Inspection

Dr Druce carried out the inspection, it was noted that there is a large hole by the rocker board. The Clerk has asked TLGO to fill it in and turf it over. Dr Berry to do the next inspection. Mr Broad said the football club who meet on Wednesday's had asked to leave the nets up permanently. This was agreed and the Clerk will confirm with the insurers it is not a problem.

Mr Girling carried out the Chilton Field inspection. The new signs for the Play Area and Toddler Area have been ordered.

RoSPA will be carrying out the annual inspection during July.

# 15. <u>Correspondence</u>

From the previously circulated list it was noted:-

- (i) A letter had been received from All Saints'/St Matthew's asking about the opportunities for Church life to develop in Chilton as part of the Parish Profile being prepared to advertise for a new Rector. The Clerk forwarded the replies.
- (ii) Airband had written offering to do a presentation re the new ultra fast broad band, the Clerk to arrange a face-to-face meeting.
- (iii) The OALC AGM is on 4<sup>th</sup> July, details to be circulated.
- (iv) The Vale have sent a schedule of Sec 106 contributions paid and still payable to Chilton. They have asked for copies of the invoices for the expenditure on the Village Hall extension. The Clerk to respond.
- (v) There is no further news on the Chilton Field footpath as the land is still in dispute.

The Chairman closed the Meeting at 9.20pm