

Present	Mr C Broad Dr J A Berry Mr F Dumbleton Mr R Girling	Chairman
	Dr D Dewhurst Ms S Povolotsky Mrs M E Morris Mr J King	District Councillor County Councillor until 8.25pm Parish Clerk

1. **Apologies for Absence** Dr M Hansard and Mr M Urso-Cale.
2. **Declarations of Interest** None
3. **Minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting** were signed as a true record.
4. **Area Beat Officers' Report**
PC Merritt emailed to report there had been an incident of shop lifting from the Garden Centre and some garden ornaments had been stolen from The Lane.
5. **District Council Report**
Prior to the meeting the monthly report had been circulated and put on the website. Dr Dewhurst noted that the Didcot Gateway planning application will be open for comments from 8th September on the SODC website. The Vale and SODC are carrying out a Landscape Character Assessment consultation as part of the new Joint Local Plan. The consultation is open until 29th September, the Clerk will circulate the link.
6. **County Council Report**
Prior to the meeting the monthly report was circulated and put on the website. Ms Povolotsky said that there are several consultations on the OCC website now. The HGV Freight consultation should soon open, the Council were recommended to comment. An update on HFI Didcot and surrounding areas planning decision is expected soon. There is a concern that some areas of Hagbourne Hill may be deteriorating. Ms Povolotsky is now the OCC Public Transport Champion.
Ms Povolotsky left the meeting at 8.25pm
7. **Planning**
 - (i) **Applications to be considered by the Parish Council**
Application for single storey extension. 6 Spa Street, Chilton Field. P23/V1769/HH
Comments No objections.
Application for single storey extension and some remodelling. 61 Crafts end P23/V1913/HH
Comments No objections.
 - (ii) **Applications determined by the Vale**
Permission for erection of two Class E buildings (known as DEB1 and DEB2) ancillary to the Diamond Synchrotron Land southeast of Diamond Synchrotron Fermi Avenue P22/V2864/FUL
Permission for upgrade and improvements to existing play area, to include replacement and re-siting of some play equipment, and the installation of five new pieces of play equipment, all with associated ground works and resurfacing works. Refurbishment of existing tarmac ball games / play area (MUGA) including an upgrade of existing games wall, and installation of a new netting games wall for ball sports. Land Adjoining Village Hall Church Hill. P23/V1203/FUL
Permission for single storey rear extension & internal changes at ground floor. Dene Lodge Dene Hollow P23/V1227/HH and P23/V1228/LB
Withdrawal of application for erection of eight semi-detached dwellings with associated landscaping, parking and access Land of Upper Farm Road P23/V1422/O
Withdrawal of application for single storey new build. Bay Tree House P23/V1326/FUL

8. **Matters Arising**

(i) Upper Farm Road

The Clerk sent an email to Mr Francis re signs for Upper Farm Road, Clerk will send a reminder. The Clerk wrote to OCC re no end of 20mph at top of South Row. The report has been passed to the Project Team.

(ii) Play Equipment Working Group

The Planning permission has been granted for the new play equipment.

(iii) New website

The Clerk has continued to work on the new website.

(iv) Spa Street Trees

The Clerk contacted three companies; one company made an initial response but nothing else. Quotes have been received from Ringrose and Jenks. Ringrose quoted £600 +VAT for a report and Jenks quoted £215 +VAT. It was decided to accept the Jenks quote.

(v) New Councillors

Mr King and Mr Clements have expressed an interest in joining the Parish Council. A meeting to be arranged to meet both candidates.

(vi) Car parking

Following the last meeting the vehicle complained about is no longer there. Dr Dewhurst had received a complaint re a commercial vehicle being parked on the area leading down to the allotments. The Clerk will check if the parking area belongs to the Parish Council.

9. **Finance**

(i) Expenditure

Cheques

04. Mrs Morris - June salary, expenses and stamps	387.19
05. Thames Water - Lower Road allotments	58.72
06. Nurture Landscapes Ltd - June POS	2216.30
07. Tactical Facilities Management Ltd – June waste bin emptying	77.33
08. Landscape Group Oxford - June grass cutting	400.32
09. Mr Broad - Planning application for play equipment	115.50
10. Mrs Morris - July salary, expenses	385.59
11. Mrs Morris - Chronicle 501 and 502	397.44
12. Tactical Facilities Management Ltd - July waste bin emptying	96.66
13. Nurture Landscapes Ltd - July POS	2216.30
14. Landscape Group Oxford - July grass cutting	204.78
Total	6556.13

Petty Cash

Nil

(ii) Income

SA Clothing Bank

41.13

SA Clothing Bank

53.28

Grant from Magnox

5000.00

Balances

Treasurers Account

500.00

Instant Access

87564.37

Business Account

163026.82

Petty Cash

50.00

(iii) Parish online subscription is due - 45.00 - agreed

(iv) The slope and pull up rope for the tube slide has been completed.

(v) The carpark marking due to be done on 22nd August.

- (vi) The Clerk wrote to the Insurers and asked them to make an offer. A reply is awaited.
- (vii) The Clerk is setting up online banking. The Clerk will ask Dr Hansard to look into alternative bank/savings accounts.
- (viii) The Clerk noted that the rental on the paddock is in arrears again and despite reminders the work has not been carried out either. It was agreed to start terminating the tenancy.

10. VHMC Report

Balances: Main a/c 5316.95; Savings a/c 51,773.86; Social a/c 215.03.

Mr Dumbleton reported the data from the Patio consultation is being looked at. The Committee are looking into CCTV for the VH. The present front door to the VH is not suitable for a keypad lock, it was decided to get the entrance measured up for a new door. The Vale have advertised for communities to host EV charging points, at the moment the Vale need expressions of interest (EOI). The Parish Council agreed that the VHMC should submit an EOI. There is a possible refurbishment of the VH kitchen. The CR boiler needs replacing. There will be a large booking on 26th September.

11. Play Equipment Inspection

Mr Broad carried out the Playing Field inspection and Mr Girling carried out Chilton Field. Mr Broad noted that one of the fold down bollards is broken, Clerk to get a replacement one.

12. Correspondence

From the previously circulated list it was noted:-

- (i) Mr Dumbleton to go to the North Wessex Downs Annual forum.
- (ii) A private individual had asked if speed bumps could be installed along Dene Hollow.

The Chairman closed the Meeting at 9.15pm