

Present	Mr C Broad	Chairman
	Dr JA Berry	
	Dr S Druce	
	Mr F Dumbleton	
	Mr R Girling	
	Dr M Hansard	
	Mr M Urso Cale	
	Mrs M E Morris	Parish Clerk
	Ms H Gascoigne	District Councillor
	Ms S Povolotsky	County Councillor
	Mrs F Goodenough	VHMC
	3 members of the public	

- Apologies for Absence** Mrs L Amstead.
- Declarations of Interest** Dr Hansard signed the Register for item 13(ii) as he is a neighbour.
- Minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting**, Planning Meeting of 15th March and 24th March were all signed as a true record.
- Area Beat Officer's Report**
PCSO Deane had emailed to report thefts of catalytic converters on Chilton Field, suspicious males asking about dogs in the vicinity of The Lane, theft of a Land Rover from South Row and a burnt-out Ford Transit at Chilton Waste.
- Open Forum**
 - Mr Maughan said that the climber at the Toddler area on Chilton Field is too high for a small child to climb up. Mr Broad noted the comment, maybe it can be look out at in the future.
 - Mr Maughan asked if the two gazebos used at the Market are available for any villager to use. Yes, they are.
 - Mr Maughan thanked the Play Equipment Working Group for the work they are doing.
 - Mr Softley spoke about the proposed CCTV cameras and said he is unable to get any information from RAL. He is very concerned about who will have access to the base data from the cameras. It was agreed that if Mr Softley send his questions to the Clerk, the questions will then be forwarded to the Vale for onward transmission to RAL.
- District Council Report**
Prior to the meeting the Monthly report had been circulated and put on the website. Ms Gascoigne said that a website will be created for updates on the healthcare provision for Great Western Park. Provision has been made at Woodlands Medical Centre for some extra space. The Project Resilience application will be going to a Planning Meeting for determination as the Parish Council had objected. The Parish Council is very concerned regarding the cumulative effect all the new building will have on ingress and egress from the Village. Three parish councils cover the Campus, an overview of the whole Campus is needed as there is the UKAEA site, Diamond and STFC all wanting to build but not being co-ordinated.
- County Council Report**
Prior to the meeting Ms Povolotsky had emailed with information re Hagbourne Hill, Tim Shickle from OCC had visited the site, some work on the verges should occur soon. Mr Girling asked Ms Povolotsky to pass on to OCC his disappointment at the state of the roads particularly all the potholes.
The Boundary Commission have completed their review and Hendred and Harwell will become Charlton, Blewbury and Hendred and the number of Councillors will go up by 3 to 70.
There are two consultations regarding the proposed Steventon Reservoir and a third consultation is about to open, this will be a technical assessment.

The Councillor Priority Fund has re-opened and the Play Equipment Working Group will apply for money for a trampoline.

It is possible that a solution to the adoption of the Chilton Field roads has been found.

8. **Planning**

(i) Applications considered by the Parish Council

Project Resilience – comments in separate planning minutes.

(ii) Applications determined by the Vale

Permission for erection of 8m mast with CCTV camera RAL, Harwell Campus, P23/V0195/FUL and P23/V0196, P23/V0198, P23/V0202

9. **Matters Arising**

(i) Chilton Field Lights

A list of the lights not working has been sent to DWH and passed to their street lighting contractor. The lights on Downside do not belong to DWH, the Clerk will check again with the Campus re ownership.

(ii) Play Equipment Working Group

Mr Urso-Cale reported that the Project is over budget, but the Group are looking at the items. Planning permission may not be needed, just a Certificate of Lawfulness, forms for both will be completed and sent to the Vale.

(iii) Tree Crafts End Green

The tree has been planted.

(iv) New Website

Work still on going.

(v) Parish Transport Rep

A letter has been sent to Mr Harrison re bus services to Chilton, a reply to be sent when Mr Harrison returns from leave.

(vi) Correspondence – Garden Centre Meeting

Mr Broad reported on the meeting with Mr Lazenby, the Garden Centre wish to retain title to their land, our piece of land (the Charity land) appears to be unregistered. Their land has little value to them and they will probably offer it to us on a short lease for a £1.00 per year. Mr Lazenby will get back to the Parish Council. The Clerk to try and find out about the Charity land.

10. **Finance**

(i) Expenditure

Cheques

65. Mrs Morris - February salary	385.59
66. The Landscape Group Oxford - Winter work	762.00
68. Nurture Landscapes - January POS work	2216.30
69. Tactical Facilities Management Ltd. - pothole repairs	468.00
70. Friends of The Ridgeway - annual subscription	15.00
71. Taps & Toilets - allotment tap Lower Road	84.00
72. Akro - new tap for the allotment	43.32
73. Nurture Landscapes - February POS work	2216.30
74. Mrs Morris - Chronicle 497	99.36
75. Castle Water - Water Chilton Field allotments	111.76
Total	6401.63

Petty Cash - Nil

(ii) Income

9 Allotments	143.55
SA Clothing Bank – January	67.10
SA Clothing Bank – February	<u>44.16</u>
	<u>254.81</u>

Balances

Treasurers Account	500.00
Instant Access	93640.01
Business Account	161342.42
Petty Cash	50.00

- (iii) A 2nd quote had been obtained for carpark marking, although cheaper it did not offer as much as the TMF quote. Mr Broad proposed, seconded by Mr Girling that the TMF quote be accepted, agreed by all present. The Clerk will liaise with the VHMC re suitable dates for the work to be carried out.
- (iv) There is no minimum number of bins that TMF will empty, it was agreed that to have TMF empty the 2 bins on the playing field and the one bin at the Community Room, initially weekly but the frequency to be monitored.
- (v) Ms Boot replied re the Lower Road paddock, there is illness in the family. It is hoped to get things sorted by end of April. Ms McGoey noted that there is ragwort in the paddock.
- (vi) 2 plumbers have been out to the allotment tap, one couldn't do anything, second one stopped off tap and will put in new tap. Clerk contacting Thames Water to renew the stopcock.
- (vii) Invoice finally received from Hags Smp and paid.
- (viii) Sawscales topping up bark on 30th March.
- (ix) OALC membership renewal - £264.06 +VAT, it was agreed to pay.
- (x) OPFA subscription renewal - £45.00, it was agreed to pay.

11. VHMC Report

Dr Berry reported that the new online booking system seems to be working well and is popular with the hirers. The VHMC are looking into having solar panels and will have an energy survey carried out to see if the roof is suitable. Lights are to be replaced with LED ones. The curtains in the Main Hall are to be replaced and there will be curtains in the Community Room instead of the blinds.

12. Play Equipment Inspection

Mr Dumbleton carried out the inspection, Sawscales to replace the missing rota play bolts on 30 March. Mr Broad to do the next inspection.

Mr Girling carried out the Chilton Field inspection, he noted that the amphitheatre wood gets slippery when wet. The amphitheatre to be re-oiled in the summer.

13. Correspondence

- (i) Notice of the Annual Submission of Accounts has been received from the external auditors.
- (ii) Mrs Lucas has written to say that some of the trees in Avon Road are overhanging her garden in Spa Street. Dr Hansard will check the trees, he signed the Register of Interests as he lives in Spa Street.
- (iii) An email was received from David Johnston MP with a link for a consultation on Health Services in the area. The letter circulated to Councillors to reply individually.
- (iv) Mr Broad said he had received an email re a tree in The Paddock not looking very well. The sender was advised to report it on Fix-my-street.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.30pm