

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held 8 January 2018

Venue: Main Hall, Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present: Parish Councillors – H. Jenkins, D. Peat, N. Lewis, R. Corkin, P. Johnson, J O'Neill

Also Present: County & District Councillor, I. Corkin. Madeleine Gilpin, Andrea & Rob.....

The Chairman introduced the 1st meeting of 2018 with a brief review of the major issues facing the village this year: traffic, the junction, speed, affordable housing and the neighbourhood plan.

Parishioners' issues: Madeleine Gilpin is concerned with the appalling state of the B430. Huw to attend the next Viridor meeting. Andrea resubmitted her planning application on 20th December. She presented her case along with a letter and a list of signatures in support of her application.

Declaration of Interests: None

Apologies: R. Curtis

Minutes of the meeting held on 11 September 2017 were accepted & signed.

Matters Arising:

- B430 air quality
- Barrier work at stream by Water Lane
- Emergency plans – D Peat
- Councillors training – H Jenkins
- Notice board – H Jenkins to deal with at next meeting
- Castlefields storm damage – liability lies with PC – R Corkin. P Johnson to walk the area
- Mower – J O'Neill to investigate selling
- Ragwort – leave to spring for clearing, check with Stephanie Austin, Manor Farm, and Agrivert for assistance/advice
- Woodlands maintainance – ongoing
- Footpath funds – I Corkin to see if can be transferred to traffic calming measures

District/County Councillor –

- CDC has a new management structure with new people in new positions.
- Oxford has unmet housing need so considering greenbelt around Kidlington.
- The Oxford/Cambridge express route will include 4 new towns and 1 million new houses.
- CDC now owns Castle Key with Castle Key2 development to include entertainment and restaurants.
- The first residents have moved into Graven Hill.
- McDonalds are aware of community complaints re litter.
- AwF is a category C village so there is no pressure on CDC to grant planning.
- OCC budget setting will allow +1% per central government. The new cabinet system at OCC is under review.
- The Heyford Park crossing is to be investigated by OCC.
- I Corkin to continue to press OCC to take responsibility for the stream.
- OCC has instructed the Dorchester to model the junction on the B430. I Corkin asked that the traffic report be sent to Dorchester.
- Middleton Stoney has issues with the neighbourhood plan and whether to be bound by it.
- Viridor Liaison – I Corkin to meet with Viridor to see if it can work and refocus on its purpose.
- Community fund – many applications have been received including the Community Café. Its hopeful funds will be forthcoming.

Recruitment of new clerk – this is an employed role requiring competent legal advice to the PC. D Peat to speak to possible candidate in Russet Road. I Corkin to speak to other parish councils. CDC could provide a temp if required. Aim for 31 Jan deadline.

Affordable housing – a site has been found and plans are ongoing. Available councillors to attend next representative meeting on 17 Jan.

Grass cutting and woods report - Grass cutting costs to remain the same as last year. The woods need walking and quotes for required work.

Finance – The precept to remain unchanged.

Neighbourhood plans – Middleton Stoney are leaving the NP over traffic issues.

Planning applications - none

Any Other Business -

Traffic survey – N Lewis to email PC and share with OCC, Dorchester & police.

Fritwell School signs at crossroads need permission from PC

There are still a number of broken manhole covers and blocked gully pots.

PC meetings require 3 clear days notification.

Dorchester signs – may need planning if commercial signs. PC requires details of location, size, duration.

Playing Field Committee rep required – J O'Neill or R Corkin to consider.

Next Parish Council Meeting will be in the Village Hall on **12th March 2018 at 7.30pm**

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