

# ARDLEY with FEWCOTT PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Ardley with Fewcott Parish Council on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018

**Present:** Cllrs H Jenkins, N Lewis, P Johnson, and J Mills.

**Apologies:** Cllrs D Peat and J O'Neill

**In Attendance:** Cllr I Corkin (CDC/OCC)

**Members of the public: 2**

### 35. Parishioner's Issues

The following matters were raised :-

- a) The hedge by 66 Somerton Road requires cutting back, as does the hedge opposite Manor farm, the hedge along the Ardley Road between the Gables and the field entrance and the hedge bordering the corner bungalow by Water Lane.
- b) Fritwell Road and the road opposite Manor Barn has a concerning level of potholes and requires extensive repair.  
The Clerk will report all these matters to OCC via "Fix my Street".
- c) There were a number of concerns raised about the speed of traffic travelling down Water Lane towards the Heyford base at about 6.30am, The Clerk will refer the matter to Thames Valley Police and will raise the issue with British Car Auctions on the base, as it is believed the cars are used by employees of that company.

### 36. Declarations of interest

None other than a personal interest of Cllr Lewis in an application to tree felling consent at fritwell Road Fewcott.

### 37. Minutes of the meeting of 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018

The Council agreed that the minutes of the meeting of the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018 were an accurate record of the proceedings.

### 38. Progress on Parish matters

- a) Village Car park Barrier  
Money from Cllr Corkin's Community Fund has been banked and the barrier at the Village Hall Car Park has recently been installed. The barrier has been ordered and should be delivered shortly.
- b) COMET bus service.  
The Parish Council understands that the trial will end in November, at which time it will evaluate the benefits to the Village.

### 39. Neighbourhood Plan

The Neighbourhood Plan is currently out for consultation, there will be a Plan group meeting in October when the group will discuss the outcome of the consultation and agree how to proceed.

### 40. Rural Housing

Discussions are ongoing with CDC as to the split between affordable houses to purchase and rental properties, as the Parish Council would like to see at least one 3 bedroomed house available for shared ownership purchase as it would ensure that families could remain in the village. However it has been agreed between CDC and the Housing Association that priority for the housing will be given to applicants with a connection to the village. It was agreed that the Parish Council would publicise the criteria for the allocation of properties so that all residents are aware of this.

#### 41. Ardley Woods

It was reported that a fence at the entrance to Ardley Woods had been damaged, but had been repaired (probably by a local resident) before the matter could be reported to the Parish Council. A noticeboard has also been erected by the entrance to the Woods, attributed to DBS Direct Services Ltd. The Clerk was asked to write to the company, confirm retrospective permission from the Parish Council to erect the noticeboard and thank the company for their public spirited action.

#### 42. Defibrillator

The Clerk reported that the BHF has agreed to provide a defibrillator to the Parish on payment of £500. It was agreed that the resident who had made the suggestion regarding the defibrillator should be contacted, and an application should be made to Cllr Corkin's Community Fund for financial support for the remainder of the cost.

The Parish Council noted that the Village Hall Committee had given their approval to the proposal of a defibrillator being installed on the outside wall of the Village Hall.

#### 43. Asset Register

The Parish Council noted the Asset register prepared by the Clerk, and suggested that the Parish Gazebo and the sign to advertise village events which were sponsored by the Parish Council.

#### 44. Risk register

The Parish Council agreed the Parish Risk register prepared by the Clerk.

#### 45. Dewars Farm Quarry Liaison

Cllr Lewis confirmed she would try to attend this meeting.

#### 46. Commemorative Tree

The Parish Council agreed to accept the offer from OCC of a commemorative tree and plaque to commemorate the end of WW1. It will probably be planted in the old churchyard in Fewcott.

#### 47. Application from PCC for grant support

The Chairman reported that he had received a letter from the PCC requesting support for the upkeep and maintenance of the Churchyard at St Mary's Ardley. After discussion the Council agreed to suggest to the PCC that they ask their grass cutting contractor to carry out a spring and autumn cut of the Churchyard, and if the Church would let them have sight of the estimate for the cost of repairing the dry stone wall, they will consider making a grant towards the cost at their next Parish Council meeting.

#### 48. Cllrs Report

Cllr Ian Corkin had sent a written update for the Parish Council meeting, and highlighted issues raised in his report. He advised the Council that it is possible that further planning applications with regard to development at Heyford Park could be submitted before the end of September.

He has discussed the Village Rural Housing Project with CDC, who have indicated that they would look for a split between affordable and rental homes of 6 shared ownership and 7 rental, and this proposal is supported by the formal consultation carried out.

He is waiting for details of the usage of the COMET bus, and will then ask the Parish Councils to consider whether they wish to contribute towards the cost of an ongoing service.

#### 49. Finance

The Council noted the financial report and bank reconciliation contained in Appendix 1 and authorised the following payments:-

<i>Cheque Number</i>	<i>Payee</i>	<i>Reason</i>	<i>Amount</i>
100646	cancelled		

100654	R Townsend	Grass cutting	£600.00
100655	Ardley with Fewcott Village Hall	Donation towards fete	£500.00
100656	R Townsend	Grass cutting	£600.00
100011	Mrs A Davies	Salary + expenses	£272.00
500651	HMRC	Cl tax	£65.00


**50. Planning**

**FIVE DAY NOTICE T1 x Fir Leylandii - Fell** 

Fewcott Lodge Fritwell Road Fewcott Bicester OX27 7NZ

Ref. No: 18/01599/TCA\_5

No objection

**T 1 - Siver birch - fell because rot has set in at the base of the tree and due to the location significant damage could be caused to the property if it was to fall over.** 

Penlington Fritwell Road Fewcott Bicester OX27 7NZ

Ref. No: 18/00238/TCA

No objection

**Outline development for up to 7,161 m2 of B2 and/or B8 industrial development with ancillary offices (B1a), access and landscaping.**

OS Parcel 8233 South Of Baynards Green Farm Street To Horwell Farm Baynards Green

Ref. No: 18/00672/OUT

The Parish Council agreed to object strongly to the amended application on the grounds that the proposal would seriously affect traffic on the B430 and local roads, and without regular public transport the development was not sustainable. The proposed development would therefore have an unacceptable effect on a Category C village.

**51. Reports from meetings - to receive any reports; for information.**

None.

**52. Items for information or next Agenda**

The Parish Council agreed to consider options for “soft” traffic calming through the village before the next meeting – to enable the Council to agree proposals for works at that meeting.

**53. Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will be Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November in the Village Hall.

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