

ARDLEY with FEWCOTT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ardley with Fewcott Parish Council on Monday 8th March 2021

Present: Cllrs H Jenkins, N Lewis, A Killick, and J Mills.

Apologies: Cllr E Key.

Also present: Cllr I Corkin (CDC/OCC)

Members of the public: 2

Parishioner's Issues

Primroses have been planted in the woods.

Could hedges be properly flailed to ensure that wildlife flourishes?

The Church will hold its easter service outside.

The road narrowing by the bridge is dangerous – could OCC look again at other appropriate signage – eg Hazardous bend, or people walking in the road? The hedge at the bend has been cut back, but would benefit from being cut back harder.

Declarations of interest

None.

36. Minutes of the meeting of 11th January 2021.

The Council agreed that the minutes of the meeting of the 11th January 2021 were an accurate record of the proceedings.

37. Councillors Report

Cllr Corkin reported that, since the serious flooding on 23rd December, when over the average monthly rainfall fell in one day, OCC have looked at what infrastructure failed? What was overwhelmed? What are the implications for residents and how can the Parish council provide support? Main issues in Ardley were the west end of the village, and behind Backwater Cottage, where the infrastructure was overwhelmed. He suggested that the Parish may like to consider a parish Flooding Plan, and arrange for the store of some sandbags, as OCC had handed out 25000 during the recent flooding, and logistics could be a problem.

Highways issues from the Dorchester master Plan are currently being considered by OCC and CDC.

The Planning Inquiry into the Great Wolf development has been completed.

CDC have published the criteria for the Waterloo homes development.

CDC have made available a grant to provide support for communities recovering from the COVID pandemic.

He reported that he had spent all but £1.99 of his OCC Councillor Priority Fund and 21 projects have benefited.

He was asked about

- Q. the cost of the low cost housing, as rumours in the village suggested it was too high.
 Q. Does the village have any floodplains? A No
 Q. Is there an update on the Fox and Hounds? A. No – this is now with the Planning Inspector.

The Parish council agreed to publicise the availability of low Cost hosing in the village again.

38. Matters arising/Parish matters

- a) Rural Housing
 The Council agreed to publish availability on the village Facebook page. Cllr Corkin has since confirmed that the full price of the properties is £270,000.
- b) Ardley Woods
 The Council agreed to the quote from RT Gardens to clear the entrance to the woods, and to instruct Nicholsons to remove the overhanging tree.
 A resident has expressed interest in becoming a “tree warden”.
- c) Great Wolf/ Other developments
 The Inquiry has now finished and the inspector’s decision awaited.
- d) Flooding
 The Clerk reported the availability of the SSE Resilience grant. An application will be made for shed and sandbags once the grant application has opened, which is likely to be later in 2021.
- e) COVID
 The council agreed to consider options to rebuild the community at its next meeting.

39. Finance

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

<i>Cheque Number</i>	<i>Payee</i>	<i>Reason</i>	<i>Amount</i>
100788	RT Gardens	clearance	866.74
100789	OCC	Field rent	100.00
100790	OALC	subscription	147.89
100791	cancelled		
100792	Mrs A Davies	Cl salary and exp	£275.94
100793	HMRC	Cl tax	£69.00

40. Planning

- [21/00612/NMA](#) Land East Of Jersey Cottages Station Road Ardley Minor variation to the Site Layout and Soft Landscaping Layout, to allow for a public footpath to pass through the site at the request of Oxfordshire County Council (proposed as non-material amendment to 18/01881/F)

No objections

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

None

42. Items for information or next Agenda

The Clerk reported arrangements for the Parish Council elections. Cllr Killick agreed to deliver nomination forms to the election Officer at CDC.

The lorry reported to have been parking on the verge has gone.

Work has been carried out at the White lion PH.

43. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be Monday 10th May 2021

Ardley w. Fewcott Parish Council			Monthly Financial Report	
			Parish Council Meeting	08 March 2021
Payments processed since last meeting				£706.23
11-Jan-21		A Davies	100784	£275.94
11-Jan-21		HMRC	100785	£69.00
11-Jan-21		rocketpod	100786	£75.00
11-Jan-21		glasdon	100787	£286.29
Receipts processed since previous report				£0.00
Bank Reconciliation			Statement dated	28 February 2021
			Inquiry account	£515.25
			Savings account	£15,200.84
			Current account	£27,453.29
Items not yet cleared:				
Receipts	None			
Payments		rocketpod		£75.00
			Net Total	£43,094.38