

# ARDLEY with FEWCOTT PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Ardley with Fewcott Parish Council meeting on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2019

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

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

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

**Members of the public: 1**

### 90. Parishioner's Issues

The following matters were raised:-

- a) The Litterblitz took place over the weekend of the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> March, with about 30 volunteers.
- b) The white gates at the entrance to the village on the Fritwell Road are rotten at the base and need to be repaired.
- c) There are extensive potholes on the bend on the Fritwell Road, and at the top of the Ardley Road. It was suggested that OCC's Highway technician should be invited to visit the Parish and survey the state of the roads.

### 91. Co option of Councillor

The Parish Council resolved unanimously to co-opt Andrew Killick onto the Council to replace Cllr Ruth Corkin, who resigned some months ago.

### 92. Declarations of interest

None

### 93. Minutes of the meeting of 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019

The Council agreed that the minutes of the meeting of the 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019 were an accurate record of the proceedings.

### Progress on Parish matters

#### 94. Salt Bins

Salt bins have been purchased and are now around the village. Next year bulk supplies of salt will be purchased from OCC.

#### 95. Rural affordable Housing

CDC have now resolved to grant planning permission for a small development of affordable housing in Ardley. As Cllr Peat has indicated her intention to resign from the Parish Council, Cllr Mills will take over the lead role in liaising with the developer. Of particular interest at present is the potential start date, and length of the development.

A parishioner has written with her concerns over eligibility for a property on the development. It was agreed that Cllr Mills would liaise with both Waterloo Homes (the developer) and the resident to ascertain all the possible options.

#### 96. Neighbourhood Plan

A referendum is now taking place into the adoption of the Neighbourhood Plan. Most residents have now been leafleted with the information about voting. The Chairman indicated that, at the next Neighbourhood

Plan meeting in April he would put forward an amendment to the procedure to ensure that all members of the Neighbourhood Planning Group should have an input into the group's response to any planning applications.

He would also continue to push for recognition of the need to carry out substantial improvement works at the staggered crossroads in Ardley to improve traffic flow from all directions.

The Parish Council also agreed to make contact with Bucknell Parish Council to ascertain whether they also had concerns about traffic build up at this junction.

#### **97. Ardley Woods**

The Chairman agreed to meet a representative of the forestry commission to take advice about regular maintenance of the woods.

#### **98. Defibrillator**

The safe storage box for the defibrillator is not lockable. The Clerk will return the box to the supplier and ask for a replacement lockable box.

#### **99. Overhanging vegetation**

The Clerk will ask OCC to take action in connection with the elder trees by Ardley house and Ardley House Barn. There is vegetation overhanging the path from the property on the corner of Paddock Road and Water Lane, which also requires cutting back.

#### **100. Highway Maintenance Scheme requests**

The Clerk will request resurfacing work across all the roads in the Parish.

#### **101. Traffic calming/Planting schemes.**

The Parish Council agreed to the purchase of a container, to be attached to the bus shelter and planted up, provided it did not cost more than £50.00. The Council also agreed that, in time for spring 2020 they would purchase bulbs to be planted by the white gates at the entrances to the Village, and along the main B430.

#### **102. Performing Rights Licence – Ardley Village Hall**

There is concern that the village Hall committee may need to pay a substantial sum for the right to play music in the Village Hall. Liability will depend on the structure of the Village Hall land holding. The Clerk agreed to raise the matter with the Village Hall Co-ordinator at Community First Oxfordshire.

#### **103. Cllrs Report**

Cllr Corkin reported that both CDC and OCC had set their budgets, and this year both budgets would result in an additional payment for Council tax payers.

Currently traffic is the major issue for most of the parishes in his area. He is trying to pursue the need for road improvements for satellite villages on the main traffic routes from major development areas. He will shortly be meeting CDC and OCC planners and will remind them of the need to recognise the substantial problems experienced by Ardley at the staggered junction in the middle of the village.

OCC will look at possible 20mph zones, provided that speed measurements indicate that traffic is currently travelling below 30mph. he suggested speed monitoring on the Somerton road, Ardley Road and Water Lane. He also suggested that the Clerk contact Colin Wilberforce, community safety Officer at CDC with a request that TVPA carry out speed monitoring activity in the village.

OCC and CDC are now starting to design the teams that will carry out the shared services functions between the 2 authorities.


Finally he will be standing for election as a CDC District Councillor at the local elections in May 2019.

#### **104. 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>
100697	Glasdon	Salt bins	519.89
100698	Glasdon	salt	126.00
100699	AwF Village Hall	Room hire	11.00
100700	OCC	rent	100.00
100701	Mrs A Davies	Salary + expenses	271.80
100702	HMRC	CI tax	65.80
100703	cancelled		
100704	OCC	COMET bus	48.00
100705	OALC	subscription	138.97

**105. Planning**

[Construction of a two storey side extension including the demolition of a detached garage and store and the change of use of land from paddock use to domestic garden use](#) 

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No objection

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

TVPA meeting 20<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

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

The Parish Council has received a request to lop the leylandii trees on the playing field boundary.

**108. Date of next meeting**

Signed by.....

Ardley w. Fewcott Parish Council			Monthly Financial Report	
			Parish Council Meeting	11 March 2019
Payments processed since last meeting				£505.60
	14-Jan-19	rocket pod	100694	£150.00
	14-Jan-19	Mrs A Davies	100695	£290.00
	14-Jan-19	HMRC	100696	£65.60
Receipts processed since previous report				£852.40
	27-Feb-19	HMRC		£852.40
Bank Reconciliation		Statement dated		28 February 2019
		Inquiry account		£513.81
		Savings account		£15,158.69
		Current account		£24,518.67
Items not yet cleared:				
	Receipts	None		
	Payments	cancelled		£0.00
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			Net Total	<b>£40,191.17</b>



