

ARDLEY with FEWCOTT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ardley with Fewcott Parish Council on Monday 8th July 2019

Present: Cllrs H Jenkins, P Johnson, J O'Neill, and A Killick.

Apologies: N Lewis and J Mills.

In Attendance: Cllr I Corkin (CDC/OCC)

Members of the public: 1

11. Parishioner's Issues

The following matters were raised :-

There was concern that the sign indicating priority on the Ardley/Somerton road was not in the right position as cars did not appreciate the upcoming hazard. The Clerk will request OCC move the position of the sign closer to Ardley.

There was also concern at the depth of the potholes between Ardley road and Russet road.

12. Declarations of interest

None.

13. Minutes of the meeting of 2nd May 2019.

The Council agreed that the minutes of the meeting of the 2nd May 2019 were an accurate record of the proceedings.

14. Progress on Parish matters

- a) Rural Housing – the road fronting the development will be called “Church View.”
- b) **Mid Cherwell Neighbourhood Plan** – The Parish Council agreed the payment of £290, which has been requested as their precept.
- c) Ardley Woods – The Chairman has met with a representative of the Forestry Commission, who was very positive about the Parish Council management of the woods and (whose report is attached). Councillors agreed to consider the appointment of an arborist to advise on maintenance at its next meeting. The Council also agreed that, where tree branches from the woods overhang the gardens of adjoining properties residents should be encouraged to cut back the encroaching branches. If residents consider trees in the wood to be unsafe, they should be reported to the Parish Council.
- d) It was agreed overhanging vegetation should, where possible, be reported to the Clerk, who will report it to OCC.
- e) The gardening group updated the Council on the progress of planting, which the Council agreed.
- f) White Gates - The Parish Council noted the quote for repairs to the white gates at the entry to the village on the Fritwell and Somerton roads and agreed the works.
- g) Trees on the Boundary of the playing field -The Parish Council noted that the Playing field committee are considering tree works to the trees around the playing field. The Parish Council agreed that they would consider making a grant to the Committee to support the work should it be necessary.
- h) Great Wolf resort – Chesterton Parish Council is opposing development at Bicester 3 into a major tourist attraction. After discussion the Council agreed that access to the property by a substantial number of vehicles on a daily basis would be a major issue for local roads. Cllr O'Neill agreed to make contact with the Chesterton group.

- i) Viridor Liaison Meeting – following an informal meeting arranged by Cllr Corkin future meetings will be held in Ardley Village Hall and professionally minuted. The first meeting will take place in September 2019.

15. Cllrs Report

Cllr Corkin reported that Junction 10 of the M40 remains problematic as traffic regularly queues on the southern slip road onto the M40. OCC/Highways England and Dorchester are in discussions about improvements required.

The Dorchester Master Plan is progressing through planning, and currently there is significant traffic monitoring being undertaken.

Cllr Corkin offered to arrange for OCC officers to walk round the Parish, which will be progressed by Cllr Johnson.

He suggested the Parish should consider re launching its Speedwatch group.

He reported concerns from Chesterton about the Great Wolf planning proposals, and advised that the Environment Agency had issued an improvement notice regarding the management of the Agrivert site.

CDC should have completed its separation from SNDC shortly.

The COMET bus service will shortly be circulating current usage figures.

16. 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>
100711	The Noticeboard Co	Noticeboards	£1521.60
100712	Gardening Club	Planters	£163.96
100713	RT Gardens	grass	£600.00
100714	OCC	COMET Bus	£48.00
100715	MCNP	precept	£290.00
100716	cancelled		
100717	Wel medical	Defib door	£144.54
100718	RT Gardens	grass	£600.00
100719	Mrs A Davies	CI salary and expenses	£278.24
100720	HMRC	CI tax	£67.40
100721	123	Domain	£35.96
100722	A Lambourne	audit	£26.00

17. Planning

Applications

None relevant.

Decisions

None.

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

None.

19. Items for information or next Agenda

There have been problems with the building work adjacent to the Village Car park, but these have now been resolved.
The Council has purchased new noticeboards, which will be erected once the building work is completed.
The Chairman reported he and Cllr Killick will meet and discuss the planning application for development in Water lane with the applicant.
Cllr O Neill agreed to monitor the development at Chesterton and become involved if necessary.
The Council agreed to re consider the village grass cutting at its September meeting.

20. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be Monday 9th September in the Village Hall.

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