

ARDLEY with FEWCOTT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ardley with Fewcott Parish Council on Monday 13th November 2023 in the Norman Fraser Room of the Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs H Jenkins, N Lewis, J Mills, S Hazelwonder and (from item John Sparrow)

Apologies: Cllr R McCulloch, Cllr M Ellis and Cllr I Corkin (OCC)

In Attendance: Cllr N Simpson (CDC)

Members of the public: 2

64. Parishioner's Issues

The Clerk was asked to request that OCC arrange for the overgrown bushes in Water lane to be cut back. She also agreed to update the details of the Parish Councillors on the website.

It was noted that the yellow bin at the top of Orchard Road and Water Lane has been filled with dog bags, and it was agreed that the Council would put up signs to try to deter this, as it was exceptionally unpleasant for neighbours during hot weather.

65. Declarations of interest

None.

66. Co-option of Councillor

The Parish Council agreed to co-opt John Sparrow onto the Council with immediate effect.

67. Minutes of the meeting of 11th September 2023

The Council agreed that the minutes of the meeting of the 11th September 2023 were an accurate record.

68. Councillor's Report

Cllr Simpson's written report has been circulated to Councillors. At the meeting he reminded councillors of the CDC Warm Homes grant, and briefly discussed the current position with regard to the Fox and Hounds planning application.

69. Progress on Parish matters

a) Traffic issues

The Parish Council has received an initial consultation on proposals for a 20mph speed limit in the village and the clerk has responded to urge OCC to consider reducing the speed limit on the B430 through the village.

Discussions with regard to the use of s 106 monies from the Dorchester Homes development are ongoing, but should generate both traffic calming measures, and a traffic light controlled junction on the B430.

It was suggested that the Village may try to encourage the development of a Speedwatch group once the evenings become lighted.

b) Green/environmental issues

The Council noted and agreed the proposed rent increase for the quarry, but did not agree to pay back rent as OCC had not initiated a rent review in time. The quarry field now requires maintenance, and the Council agreed to ask for volunteers to assist.

- c) Viridor
The liaison meeting took place on 5th October. The Council agreed they would support quarterly liaison meetings with Viridor, which could be over ZOOM if necessary.
- d) Mid Cherwell Neighbourhood Plan
The Mid Cherwell Neighbourhood plan group is currently reviewing the plan, which, following this review will be formally submitted to CDC by Ardley with Fewcott parish Council, as the Lead Authority. Public consultation on the proposals will take place in early 2024.
- The Clerk was asked to confirm the names of all parish councillors as potential parish representatives on the MCNP Group.
- e) CDC Draft Local Plan
CDC are currently consulting on its Local Plan review (until 2040). It was noted that the Plan safeguards the land for a station at Ardley.
- f) Village Hall
It was noted that the resilience Grant from SSE included £5000 towards the provision of a shed at the Village Hall.
- g) Fox and Hounds
It was noted that CDC are likely to grant planning permission for this development, subject to conditions (details of which are awaited).

70. Finance

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

information commissioner	Fee	£40.00
bicester trees	tree work	£762.00
HMRC	cl tax	£97.40
Mrs A Davies	cl salary	£399.25
RT Gardens	Grass	£378.00
Elan City	VAS	£572.63
Moore e mids	Audit	£252.00
cherwell DC	dog bins	£669.24
AwFVH	room hire	£104.00

71. Planning

23/02908/LB	Manor Farm Fritwell Road Fewcott Oxfordshire OX27 7NZ	Addition of external tanking. Replacement plaster to areas affected by damp
23/02686/F	Ardley House Somerton Road Ardley OX27 7NS	Construction of a single storey timber garden building
23/02441/F	12 Ploughley Close Ardley Bicester OX27 7PP	Single storey front, single part two storey rear extension, part garage conversion and detached garage with associated internal and external works

The Parish Council had no objections to these applications, provided that the development at Ploughley Close did not mean that parking provision was reduced.

72. Items for information or next Agenda

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73. Date of next meeting

8th January 2024

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