Minutes of the Parish Council meeting duly convened and held on Wednesday 16th December 2020 on line at 7.30pm

Present were Mr M Gray (Chair), Mrs I Neill, Mrs V Bolt, Mr D Bamford, Mr D. Seed, Mr P. Jenkins, Mrs G Herbert, Mr C. Worley, Mrs Dyer -Lynch and Mr Hope-Smith

Also present L. Dalby (Clerk) and one member of the public.

172. To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from District Cllrs J. Murphy and A-M Simpson.

173. To hear questions or comments from members of the public (max 15 mins) The member of the public introduced himself as he is interested in joining the Parish Council.

174. To receive any reports from County and/or District Councillors No reports

175. To receive Declarations of Pecuniary Interest for any agenda items There were none.

176. To approve and sign the minutes of the meetings held on 2nd December 2020 Proposed Mr Gray Seconded Mrs Dyer-Lynch Carried Unanimously

177. To report Matters Arising from

- The minutes of 2nd December

The Clerk will contact Mr Smith to discuss his attendance at meetings. The County Council has voted to make it easier to create 20 mph speed limits in villages.

167 – It was noted that an electricity supply will be needed in the storage container

171 – Mr Seed asked that the declaration of personal as well as pecuniary interest be included on future agendas.

- The Action Point Register

Noted and agreed it should be published separately on the website.

178. To note Chair's Report

Mr Gray reported there had been a report of a car driving around the recreation field last night but there doesn't appear to be any damage. It has been reported to Police.

179. To receive report from Environmental Group

Mrs Herbert reported survey has been consolidated in to a leaflet which is being delivered by the Scouts. Suggests 6 task groups. Hope that people step up and join in. Community Energy group to look at jointly providing renewable energy. Been in touch with Oxford Carbon Group who will be joining a meeting in January to offer advice. Need a procedure for projects. Is there a budget for Environment Group as the council has declared a Climate Emergency? Consider applying for grants as well as funds from PC.

Mr Seed – need to confirm terms of reference. Working Groups transport, waste reduction, home energy etc.

180. Finance

To approve accounts for payment

PAYMENTS FOR APPROVAL			
Higgs and Co Printers Ltd	Environment group leaflet		£199.00
MHSW	Expenses		£30.00
OALC	Training		£120.00
Castle Water	Water Supply		£350.22
Total			£699.22

Proposed Mr Gray Seconded Mrs Neill Carried Unanimously

181. To note Estate Managers Report

Noted

182. To consider planning applications as at 11th December 2020

P20/S4378/FUL	Conversion of a 3 bay garage into a 2 bedroom dwelling with 1 bay garage retained. 83 Station Road Mr Jenkins took council through the application. There are no close neighbours and plenty of space for parking No reason to object. Support as two bed dwelling which are needed in village Proposed Mr Jenkins Seconded Mr Worley Carried	
	unanimously	
MW.0114/20	The use of the land at New Barn Farm quarry for the importation, handling and re-sale of aggregates at New Barn Farm Concerned about the number of lorry movements as original plan did not include importation of aggregates. It is time limited. Object. Proposed Mr Gray Seconded Mr Jenkins Carried 8 in favour 1 abstention.	

183. To note planning decisions

P20/S3600/HH	Rear extension 9 Station Road. Granted	
P20/S3846/HH	New vehicle entrance with dropped kerb. 9 Station Road. Granted	

184. Items for report or inclusion on next agenda

- Post on The Forty needs replacing
- Biffa emptying bin along Honey Lane. Household waste being put in bin. Previously been reported.
- Wallingford Road hedge has been replaced.
- Hedge next to barn needs cutting back. Mr Gray to report to Grundon.
- Bins reported a bin has been removed from bus shelter on Reading Road.
- Branches on footpath David Seed will deal with easy branches if Grundon don't do it.
- CIL for environment group

185. That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

Proposed Mr Gray Seconded Mrs Bolt Carried Unanimously

186. To note a matter regarding the pavilion extension

Mr Gray reported a matter regarding the air source heat pumps. The Clerk will write to Pinelog. The future of the pumps needs to be considered. Mrs Bolt agreed to investigate options.

Action Point Register – November 2020

AP No	Minute	Detail	Responsible	Status
17/033	123	Solar Farm Payment – Clerk to chase	Clerk	Clerk has written to owner of solar farm
19/12	211	Climate Emergency Plans	Council	Environmental Working Party meeting
19/13	15	Bank Mandate Revision	Clerk	Needs review
19/19	41	Church Path Weeds	EM	No response from contractor
19/24	69	Replace rabbit fence at burial ground	EM/	Pest controller booked to complete work
			Handyman	
19/26	74	Forty Grass Cutting Consultation	MG/VB	To be arranged
19/33	90	Website	Clerk	In hand
19/36	119	Adopt red telephone box	Clerk	In hand
19/39		Footpaths	DS/DB	
20/01	175	Reinforce entrance to Whitehead meadow	EM	Quote received – on hold
20/02	188	Advertise Street cleaner position	MG/Clerk	Job advertised – no applications
20/03	202	Parish Emission Audit	DS	
20/04	204	Access to new section of burial ground	Clerk/EM	Progressing
20/05	217	Repair of footpath to Bullshole	DS/EM	
20/06	23	Set up Parish email news group	DS	
20/08	25	Review Allotments and Burial ground	Working	Working group has met and is progressing
			Group	
20/13	42	Purchase AV equipment	CW	
20/17	66	Purchase Laptops for staff		
20/18	96	Storage Container for Handyperson	EM	
20/19	96	Arrange for repair of gravestone	EM	
20/22	106	Stagshorn sumac	Maintenance	
			Person	
20/23	121	Tree works	EM	Awaiting second quote
20/24	123	Repairs Cholsey Meadows NB	Maintenance	
			person	
20/25	162	Recreation Field Regulations	DS +VB	Clerk to provide information

20/26	163	Website Review	DS + CW	All councillors to look at website
20/27	164	Investigate unadopted roads	DS	
20/28	169	Church Path repairs	EM	To contact grave digger and Reading Asphalt
20/29	169	Bus Shelter Clock Repair	EM	To obtain quotes
20/30	169	Consider replacing bulbs in car park with LEDs	EM	To obtain quote
20/31	179	Environment Group Procedures		
20/32	184	Post on Forty	EM/	
			Handyperson	
20/33	186	Air source heat pumps	Clerk/VB	

Neighbourhood Plan Pledges

Pledge	Detail	Responsible	Status
Ref.			
I1	The Parish Council will apply pressure on the Clinical Commissioning Group and Wallingford Medical Practice to provide surgery facilities in Cholsey and will investigate options for a separate surgery or a satellite surgery in Cholsey. Space is available in the Pavilion for a satellite surgery.		Closed
12	The Parish Council will investigate opportunities for improvements around The Forty with retail owners and operators	DS & VA	DS & VA have spoken to Tesco about the damaged road – the manager has reported the matter further. The landlord won't make the car park behind the shop available. DS & VA have looked at green space outside hairdressers and it would cost approx. £5000 to convert to parking. VA to speak to owner. Plenty more to think about at The Forty. Central tenant of the NP was to encourage people to walk so are the car parking places the answer. VA – spaces needed to help village businesses.

T1	The Parish Council will explore the feasibility of including a pedestrian crossing facility on the Reading Road close to the junction with Papist Way and Ferry	MG	03-06-2020 A decision needs to be made. Consideration should be given to bays for the less able. OCC will not give permission for extra bays as the area is too close to Ilges Lane. There is space for 25 cars but staff and residents use many of these. There is also an issue with the landlord not allowing parking behind Tesco and Tesco delivery lorries blocking and damaging the road. It was felt that work should concentrate on utilising the available spaces rather than creating more. There is a conflict between T4 and the NP pledge to discourage the use of cars. 1/07/2020Mrs Artenne has spoken to other business's and they are all unhappy with the current parking situation and they are struggling. Problem with new tenants above the shops with more cars. Working with OCC
T2	Lane in the CIL spending plan. The Parish Council will work with public transport providers to endeavour to secure convenient and reliable public transport options, including a bus service for primary school children		Complete – bus times changed
Τ3	Pledge T3: The Parish Council will investigate opportunities to increase the quantity of off-road parking available at Cholsey Station and will strongly encourage the relevant authorities to provide more car parking, secure cycle parking, cycle transport and disabled access.		Continuing to explore. No way forward currently.
T4	The Parish Council will investigate potential improvements to the parking and manoeuvring arrangements at the Forty to improve safety and	DS & VA	Linked to I2

	enhance its appearance as an important public space. It will be considered for inclusion in the CIL spending plan.	
T5	The Parish Council will consider options for encouraging more children to walk or cycle to school and for improving parking provision at the Primary school.	The School have permission for improved cycle storage
T6	The Parish Council will seek the imposition of appropriate speed limits and traffic calming measures. Build-outs are preferred to speed humps. This will include:	Investigating process of introducing new speed limits. 20mph limit outside school a priority especially during school pick up and drop off time.
	 Wallingford Road - 30 and 50mph Station Road, Church Road, Honey Lane, Ilges Lane – 20mph Church Road east of Manor Farm, Westfield Road, Hithercroft Road – 20mph with crossing facilities 	2 nd December 2020 DB to lead investigation.
ED2	We will work with relevant organisations to seek to provide opportunities for adult education within the village.	Complete
ED3	To investigate opportunities for a school bus service for the primary school.	Complete