



**Minutes of the Stratton Audley Parish Council on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

**Present:** Mr J Honsinger (Chairman), Mr A Flack, Ms C Lloyd, Mr S Hopkins and Mr G Nicholson

**Apologies:** Cllr B Wood (CDC) Cllr I Corkin (CDC/OCC)

**In Attendance:**

**Members of the public:**

**18. Election of Chairman**

It was agreed unanimously that Cllr John Honsinger should be elected Chairman of the Parish Council for the year 2017-18 and Cllr Anthony Flack should be appointed Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

**19. Declarations of interest**

None.

**20. Minutes of the meeting of 5<sup>th</sup> April 2017**

The Council agreed that the minutes of the meeting of the 5<sup>th</sup> April 2017 were an accurate record of the proceedings.

**21. Cllrs Report**

None present. The Chairman advised the Parish Council that Ian Corkin had been elected as the County Councillor for the Ploughley Division.

**22. Progress on Parish matters**

- a) Road signs. The Clerk was asked to chase OCC for an update about their request for a signs alerting motorists to the presence of horses/cyclists by Pool Farm.
- b) Quarry Entrance. The Clerk was asked to make further enquiries with the users of the site to confirm that the concrete blocks will be moved, as the site is now attracting a considerable amount of litter..
- c) Planning The Clerk has asked CDC for an explanation of the planning points when making decisions on applications in the Village. She was asked to chase for a response.
- d) Trees. The Parish would like a note on the law to clarify the position on tree works which could be put onto the Parish Council's web site. The Clerk was asked to request a leaflet from CDC that could be handed to all residents.
- e) The road sweep through the village on 20<sup>th</sup> May was very successful. The Chairman has thanked CDC for their help.

**23. Finance**

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

<i>Cheque Number</i>	<i>Payee</i>	<i>Reason</i>	<i>Amount</i>
500371	Mrs A Davies	Cl salary and expenses	£172.15
500372	HMRC	Cl tax	£38.20
500373	Mike Gore	Mowing/playground	£190.00
500374	Mike Gore	Mowing/playground	£190.00
500375	Came and co	insurance	£462.78
500376	S Hopkins	resilience	£56.09

#### **24. Community Transport**

There has been no more information about the Community Transport group at Fringford. Some of the traffic cones used to ensure that the Langston and Tasker bus passes through the village without being blocked by parked cars have gone missing. Cllr Nicholson has drafted a note, which will be put up on the noticeboard.

#### **25. Maintenance**

- a) Grass mowing. It was agreed that the Parish Council should include the grass by the entrance to The Bradburys in Launton Road in its schedule of grass to be cut by its contractor.
- b) It was agreed that one buddleia tree in the playground should be cut back, and the buddleia that appears to have died following the work to the playground should be replaced.

#### **26. Un-metalled footpaths and bridleways**

It was reported that the Historical Society would like to draw together description of the walks around Stratton Audley which would be published in leaflet form. The Parish Council agreed in principle to support this initiative.

#### **27. 20 mph signs**

The Parish Council agreed to consider options for statutory or advisory 20mph speed signs. Villages will be contacted to understand how effective advisory (20 is plenty) signs are. The Council will also consider the installation of a vehicle activated speed sign to ensure that drivers are aware of the built up location and the need to drive with care.

#### **28. Cyclepath on A4421**

The Parish Council agreed that they would still like to consider options for this. The Chairman agreed to discuss with Bicester Heritage whether there was any way they could assist. The Clerk agreed to look for sources of funding should these discussions be successful.

#### **29. CLP update**

The CLP Group is planning an open Garden event/Scarecrow display for the weekend 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> June when the group is hoping for between 12 and 15 gardens will be opened, and a similar number of scarecrows will be on display. There will also be a Village Funday on 2<sup>nd</sup> July and ferret Racing (provisionally) on 1<sup>st</sup> September (although the group needs to arrange a suitable venue). A leaflet advising residents of the activities will be circulated shortly, together with a plan showing the location of the gardens. The event will also be advertised in the "letterbox" publication and to neighbouring villages.

#### **30. Strategic Review**

The Parish Council discussed the Strategic Review, and agreed the Council's objectives for 2107/2018 as :-

- Continue to communicate regularly with the community
- Increase the Number of Parish Councillors and identify a new Chairman for 2018/19
- Support the bi-annual Food Beer & Music Festival in June 2018
- Promote tree awareness in the area
- Raise money for a Vehicle Activated Electronic Road sign

and agreed that a leaflet containing the full review should be printed and circulated to all houses in the Parish

### 31. Planning

#### Applications

- Removal of existing lean to conservatory and replacement with single storey pitched garden room and a single storey lean to side extension; also including internal alterations

Rigden House Bicester Road Stratton Audley Bicester OX27 9BT Ref. No: 17/00922/F

- T1 and T2 x Lime and Field Maple - Fell to near ground level.

Candlemas Bicester Road Stratton Audley Bicester OX27 9BT Ref. No: 17/00128/TCA (withdrawn)

#### Decisions

- None.

### 32. Correspondence received - to note any correspondence received not otherwise on the agenda where decisions are not required.

The Parish Council noted receipt from OCC of the formal agreement to take responsibility for cutting road verges, and authorised the Chairman and Vice Chairman to sign this document on behalf of the Parish Council.

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

None.

### 34. Items for information or next Agenda

### 35. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June in the Hunt Room of the Red Lion Public House at 7.00pm.

Please note the new numbering system for items in the minutes. They now run on sequentially from one month to the next across each statutory year and then begin again from no.1 at the start of the new financial year.

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Stratton Audley Parish Council			Monthly Financial Report	
			Parish Council Meeting	10 May 2017
Payments processed since last meeting				£1,604.35
05-Apr-17		Community First Oxon	500363	£35.00
05-Apr-17		OPFA	500364	£40.00
05-Apr-17		OALC	500365	£133.07
05-Apr-17		CDC	500366	£144.14
05-Apr-17		Roger Cross	500367	£1,030.99
05-Apr-17		HMRC	500368	£38.00
05-Apr-17		Mrs A Davies	500369	£163.15
05-Apr-17		the Red Lion	500370	£20.00
Receipts processed since previous report				£5,197.18
05-Apr-17		Bank		£4.84
18-Apr-17		CDC		£5,000.00
21-Apr-17		CDC		£192.34
Bank Reconciliation		Statement dated		08 May 2017
		Savings Account		£14,088.39
		Current account		£5,331.83
Items not yet cleared:				
Receipts	None			
Payments		Community First Oxon		£35.00
			Net Total	<b>£19,385.22</b>