



Minutes of the Stratton Audley Parish Council on Wednesday 1st November 2017

Present: Mr J Honsinger (Chairman), Mr A Flack and Mr M Hedgecox.

Apologies: Mr S Hopkins , Mr G Nicholson Cllr B Wood (CDC) and Cllr I Corkin (CDC/OCC)

In Attendance:

Members of the public: One

128. Declarations of interest

None.

129. Minutes of the meeting of 11th October 2017

The Council agreed that the Minutes of the meeting of the 11th October 2017 were an accurate record of the proceedings.

130. Progress on Parish matters

a) Horses and cyclist signs/traffic on the Bicester Road

OCC have confirmed that the new road signs will be in place before the end of the financial year, and the Clerk agreed to meet their representative to confirm locations for the signage.

b) Mill Road

Repairs have not yet been carried out on Mill Road, but there are large areas of road marked up for repair. The Clerk was asked to report the large number of potholes in Launton Road.

c) The Quarry

Cllrs Honsinger and Hopkins met Cllr Corkin and OCC planners at the quarry entrance on 12th October. Officers are waiting advice from their ecologist, but the area is substantial and, if possible, would make a useful additional recreational facility for Bicester.

d) Cycleway

The Council agreed to make contact with potential local developers in the hope that some development would also facilitate a cycleway into Bicester.

e) Meeting between the Parish Council and the Church

This took place on 31st October and minutes will be circulated shortly. Both parties agreed to continue to hold twice yearly meetings to enable activities and events to be co-ordinated. Various matters were discussed and a separate note circulated. A discussion was held on Resilience in the event of emergencies and the desire to assist those in need and the meeting agreed to investigate the purchase of personal panic/alert alarms.

f) Vehicle Activated Signs

The Parish Council has made an application to Cllr Corkin for support to assist in the purchase of this out of his Community Fund. Cllr Hedgecox agreed to investigate suitable VAS options.

g) Planning Officer Discussion

This is to be arranged by Barry Wood with CDC for a meeting in the next few weeks.

131. Councillor's Report

Cllr Corkin's written report has been circulated.

132. 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>
500467	The Red Lion	Room hire	20.00
500468	CDC	Dog bins	288.29
500469	SA PCC	Donation	900.00
500470	Mrs A Davies	CI salary and expenses	175.70
500471	HMRC	CI tax	76.60
500472	Royal British Legion	wreath	100.00

133. Rural Transport

Ongoing.

There are new traffic cones on the corners of Church Street which have been favourably commented upon and more are awaited from OCC.

134. Resilience/First Aid Training

The Parish Council had discussed SSE Priority Customers in its meeting with Church representatives, and agreed that, as part of their Emergency plan/resilience programme, they should look into the cost of purchasing and maintaining personal alarms for residents living on their own.

135. Website

Ongoing.

136. Vehicle Activated Speed Signs

Discussed earlier.

137. Road Maintenance

The Chairman reported that the next Village Sweep will take place on 29th November 2017.

138. Un-metalled footpaths and bridleways

Ongoing.

139. Boundary Commission

The Boundary Commission has published its proposals for Oxfordshire, which includes an "East of Oxford" Constituency which would extend from Henley to Finmere, around the East of Oxford city. The Parish Council had previously submitted its objections along with other local villages affected.

140. Meeting with HS2 representatives

The Parish Council agreed that it should be part of a meeting to be organised by Cllr Corkin with HS2 Representatives as it expects there to be a considerable increase in HGV traffic during the construction period, and it would be keen to ensure that any disruption for residents is minimised.

141. Standing Orders

The Council noted a suggestion that the Standing orders should be changed to ensure that a Chairman could only be appointed for a maximum of three consecutive years, but, after discussion, it was felt that it was within the Chairman's gift to decide to stand down and no formal changes should be made.

142. Community Governance review

The Parish Council has received formal notification from CDC that the number of its Councillors will increase from 5 to 7 at the next Parish Council election in 2018.

143. CLP update

The next meeting of the 2018 Festival Planning Group will take place on 14th November in the Red Lion at 7.30pm and good progress is being made with the establishment of a strong committee .

It was noted that there was a need to ensure that a PA system that stretched the length of Church Street was necessary, and the group will investigate options for hire or purchase and would also look for a sponsor to cover the cost.

144. Planning Applications

To remove 1 No Wellingtonia (T1) due to root plate causing substantial damage to the foundations of the Red Lion public house - subject to TPO 4/1975 Stratton Audley Manor Mill Road Stratton Audley Ref. No: 17/01973/TPO

A member of the public attended to raise his concerns over the proposed removal of the Wellingtonia tree, as he was concerned that the Management Company of the Manor had not considered whether any other options would be reasonable. The tree is close to a lime tree and there did not appear to have been any thought given as to whether the lime was the real source of the problem – particularly as lime roots appeared to be disrupting the pavement and wall alongside the Red Lion PH.

The Parish Council noted that there was no surveyors report submitted with the application to fell the tree to demonstrate that it was diseased, or causing problems to adjoining properties.

It was agreed that Council would object most strongly to the proposals and request that the arborist from CDC visit the site and investigate fully including consideration of the alternative options .

Decisions

Removal of condition 7 (plan of wall, method of joining stonework) of 16/02631/F

Plot 2 Mallories Cherry Street Stratton Audley Ref. No: 17/01710/F

Removal of condition 7 (plan of wall, method of joining stonework) of 16/02630/F

Plot 1 Mallories Cherry Street Stratton Audley Ref. No: 17/01709/F

The Parish Council noted that permission for this development had been granted by the Planning Committee despite the Parish Council's efforts, but noted that the new conditions were more onerous in terms of the reconstruction of the wall fronting Bicester Road. The Council agreed that the conditions would be uploaded onto the Parish Council's website so that they are available to all interested residents, who could monitor the development as it proceeds, and advise the Parish Council (or the District Council) should it appear that the Developer was not complying with the conditions.

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

The Parish Council hopes to send two Councillors to the Cherwell DC parish Liaison Meeting on 8th November.

While there was no Councillor available to attend the Ardley Community Liaison meeting, the Clerk was asked to approach the company and ask if a tour for residents of Stratton Audley could be organised.

The Chairman reported that a Village resident would be attending the police Rural Community forum meeting on 2nd November.

The Parish Council has received information from Community First Oxfordshire reporting on services in the "Caverfield Cluster" – which includes Stratton Audley. The Clerk will look at the document – make some suggestions and circulate to all Councillors.

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

None

147. Items for information or next Agenda

As soon as possible please.

148. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be Wednesday 6th December 2017 at 7pm in the Red Lion PH.

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	01 November 2017
Payments processed since last meeting				£787.65
10-Oct-17	the Red Lion	500461		£20.00
10-Oct-17	Mike Gore	500462		£195.00
10-Oct-17	Mrs A Davies	500463		£164.65
10-Oct-17	BDO	500464		£408.00
Receipts processed since previous report				£50.00
18-Oct-17	sponsorship			£50.00
Bank Reconciliation			Statement dated	30 October 2017
Savings Account				£14,779.10
Current account				£9,059.50
Items not yet cleared:				
Receipts	None			
Payments	Community First Oxon			£35.00
	cancelled			£0.00
	cancelled			£0.00
			Net Total	<u>£23,803.60</u>