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**Minutes of the meeting of Stratton Audley Parish Council held on Wednesday 5th October 2022 in the Red Lion Public House starting at 7.00pm.**

**Present:**  Mr J Honsinger (Chairman) Mr A Flack (Vice Chairman),

Mr M Arroyo, and Mr J Edwards.

**Apologies:** Mr M Gore, and Mrs K Walker. Cllr I Corkin (CDC and OCC)

**Members of the public:** None

# Declarations of Interest

None.

1. **Minutes of the last meeting**

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as circulated.

# Progress on Parish Matters

**Bicester Motion Experience Quarter**

Update awaited from CDC.

**Entrance gate repairs**

The Mill Road entrance will be re-painted and the rotten post replaced.

**Parking on verges**

It was remarked that there is one property on the Bicester Road which regularly parks one of its cars on the grass highway outside their boundary.

**Highway signs on the A4421**

The Clerk was asked to chase OCC for action.

**Beryl’s bench**

Cllr Flack agreed to progress this with the Church authorities.

**EWR wildlife support**

Ongoing. Cllr Edwards would liaise with EWR and Cllr Walker over what can be provided.

**22. Finance**

The Parish Council’s current financial position is shown at Appendix A.

The Council approved the following payments:-

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| *Payee* | *Reason* | *Amount* |
| CDC | Dog bins | 507.94 |
| Mrs A Davies | Salary and expenses | 180.62 |
| HMRC | Cl tax | 42.20 |
| The Red Lion | Room hire | 20.00 |

1. **Other Parish Issues**

**Solar Farm update**

The developer recently held a briefing event in the Parish Church, which, although facilitated by the Parish Council, was not a parish event and therefore was not minuted. The meeting expressed concern that there was no neighbourhood plan to control this type of application, but the Parish Council confirmed that it had kept the option of a neighbourhood plan continuously under review since 2015, has never been satisfied that the Plan would control anything other than residential development, and the significant cost would not be justified.

The Parish Council will consider all aspects of the proposed development when it is formally consulted as part of the planning process.

**Halloween event**

A Halloween Trail for the Village will take place on Saturday 29th October. The Parish Council agreed to contribute up to £250 towards the costs.

**EWR**

Road repairs have been agreed with OCC to the Park Road to Poundon and these will now be confirmed with EWR,

**Red Lion Update**

The Parish Council’s application to register the Red Lion as a Community Asset has been successful. The Chairman will ask if residents will volunteer to work on a proposal to purchase the property from the freeholder.

**Waste Land at the top of Stoke Lyne Road**

There has been a set back and plans for Fringford PC to supply top soil, gratis, has been put on hold.

**VAS**

News as to whether HS2 will support proposals for additional VAS units in the village will be available on 25th October.

**Bicester Police Rural Community Meeting 26th October**

Maxine Ling has kindly agreed to attend this meeting.

1. **Planning Matters**

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| [**22/02894/TPO**](https://planningregister.cherwell.gov.uk/Planning/Display/22/02894/TPO) | Fox House Bicester Road Stratton Audley OX27 9BT | Horse Chestnut T1 - Crown reduction of the Horse Chestnut 3 metres, concentrating on the south west around to the east sides of the tree; removal of the dead wood with an attachment size of 25mm or greater to functional wood; crown lifting to a height of approximately 4.5 metres beneath the entire canopy - subject to TPO 22/2022No comment |

The Parish Council noted that the application at Mattingley Barn had been refused. The Clerk was asked to report the extensive current building work to CDC Enforcement.

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

CDC/OCC/OALC updates

1. **AOB**

OCC are investigating blocked highway drains within the village.

The Parish Council was advised that £46 was available for the purchase daffodils from the 100 Club and these will be planted on the green near the new Jubilee tree.

It was agreed that the Chairman would remind the Countryside Officer at OCC of the agreement to replace some stiles with kissing gates on the public path off Mill road. Once complete, it was also agreed that aggregate should be placed at the first kissing gates next to the Goss’ farm. It was also noted that some footpath signs need to be replaced. Cllr Edwards will confirm locations.

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

# None.

# Items for information or next Agenda

# Items as soon as possible please.

# Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be 2nd November 2022 in the Red Lion at 7.00pm.

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| **Stratton Audley Parish Council** |  | **Monthly Financial Report** |
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|  |  |  |  | Parish Council Meeting  | 05 October 2022 |
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| Payments processed since last meeting |  | £1,323.78 |
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|  | 07-Sep-22 |  | M Gore | 500827 | £300.00 |
|  | 07-Sep-22 |  | Mrs A Davies | 500828 | £180.62 |
|  | 07-Sep-22 |  | SAPCC | 500829 | £30.00 |
|  | 07-Sep-22 |  | HMRC | 500830 | £42.20 |
|  | 07-Sep-22 |  | The Red lion | 500831 | £20.00 |
|  | 05-Oct-22 |  | CDC | 500832 | £507.94 |
|  | 05-Oct-22 |  | HMRC | 500833 | £42.40 |
|  | 05-Oct-22 |  | Mrs A Davies | 500834 | £180.62 |
|  | 05-Oct-22 |  | Red Lion | 500835 | £20.00 |
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| Receipts processed since previous report |  | £6,036.00 |
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|  | 14-Sep-22 |  | CDC |  | £6,036.00 |
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| Bank Reconciliation |  | Statement dated | 03 October 2022 |
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|  |  |  | Savings Account |  | £13,947.31 |
|  |  |  | Current account |  | £22,830.82 |
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|  | Items not yet cleared: |  |  |
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|  | Receipts | None |  |  |  |
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|  | Payments |  | cancelled |  | £0.00 |
|  |  |  | CDC |  | £507.94 |
|  |  |  | HMRC |  | £42.40 |
|  |  |  | Mrs A Davies |  | £180.62 |
|  |  |  | Red Lion |  | £20.00 |
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