Minutes of meeting held on Monday 4th October 2021 at 7pm

In the Main Hall at the Memorial Hall

Present: Cllr Richard Bartle, Chair (RB), Cllr David Pratt (DP), Cllr Chris Taylor (CT), Cllr Bjorn Watson (BW), Cllr Bob Sheldon (RS), Cllr Julia Jones (JJ), Cllr Lucy Brown (LB)

In Attendance: Julia Evans, Lyn Frape

County Councillor:

District Councillors: Cllr Elaine Ware (EW)

Public: 1 member of the public

| 21/172 | APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE | Action: |
|--------|--|---------|
| | Cllrs Coffey, Pearson, Jenkins and Farrelly; County Councillor | |
| | Constance; District Councillor Howell. | |
| 21/173 | DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST | |
| | None. | |
| 21/174 | MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6th SEPTEMBER 2021 | |
| | The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 6 th September were | |
| | approved. Proposed: Cllr Pratt, Seconded: Cllr Sheldon. RESOLVED. | |
| | The minutes were signed. | |
| 21/175 | MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING NOT ITEMISED | |
| | ON THE AGENDA | |
| | a) 21/151 (21/126 - 21/80 - 21/54 - 21/29 - 21/05) - Speed bumps | |
| | and streetlights on Townsend Road. Carried forward to next | YC |
| | meeting. | |
| | b) 21/146 - Speeding on Highworth Road. Cllr Taylor noted that the issue was broader than just speeding. Over time it would become | |
| | wrapped up with the building of the new school. Cllr Bartle reported | |
| | that he was prepared to write a letter about the matter which would | |
| | be sent to the CEO at OCC and copied to our MP and to Cllr | |
| | Constance. Cllr Taylor to provide OCC contact details. Cllr | |
| | Constance had provided costings for a new crossing (£70k) and a | |
| | pedestrian refuge (£15k). This matter to become a standing item on | |
| | the agenda entitled 'Road Safety and Sustainability'. | |
| | c) 21/152 - Tree planting in verges. Cllr Watson had contacted OCC | BW |
| | and a meeting had been arranged for w/c 11 th October. | |
| | d) 21/157 - The Queen's Platinum Jubilee - Clirs Taylor and | CT/RS |
| | Sheldon were to discuss this at the Fete Committee meeting on | |
| 04/470 | | |
| 21/176 | PUBLIC REPRESENTATION | |
| | The member of the public was present for agenda item 8. | |
| 21/177 | COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT | |
| | Cllr Constance had sent a written report which had been circulated to | |
| | all Councillors. | |

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 4th October 2021 at 7pm

In the Main Hall at the Memorial Hall

| 21/178 | DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT | |
|--------|---|----|
| 21/170 | Cllr Ware reported that: | |
| | a) A written reported had been sent at the beginning of | |
| | September. Another would be sent following the full Council | |
| | meeting on 6 th October. | |
| | b) The Garden Waste service was discussed at a full Council | |
| | meeting on 21 st September. She confirmed that the service | |
| | would resume in Shrivenham on 11 th October. The service | |
| | would be on a four-week cycle, and this would be reviewed | |
| | again in December. | |
| | 5 | |
| | c) The Climate Emergency Advisory Committee was meeting this evening. Tree planting on Vale owned land was on the agenda. | |
| | o , o | |
| | The was also a verbal update on the Environment Advisory | |
| | Group and a report on pathways for a Zero Carbon | |
| | Oxfordshire. | |
| | d) Civil Parking Enforcement was on track for implementation in | |
| | November. | |
| | e) Cllr Constance had commented on draft proposals for the | |
| | duelling of the A420. | |
| | f) The Vale had responded to the review of the Swindon Borough | |
| | Council local plan. It contained a number of issues that would | |
| | have a direct effect on the local villages. | |
| | g) There had been a large number of objections to the Townsend | |
| | Road planning application. | |
| | Cllr Sheldon noted that the three month extension on the Garden | |
| | Waste subscription was worthless to those who are only resident for 12 | |
| | months. This affected a number of people in Watchfield. Cllr Ware | |
| | stated that there will be a number of questioned raised about this at the | |
| | meeting on Wednesday. | |
| | Cllr Ware was thanked for attending. | |
| 21/179 | CLIMATE EMERGENCY ACTIONS | |
| 21/110 | Cllr Watson reported that he had been in discussion with Sustainable | BW |
| | Shrivenham regarding the idea of a green alliance in the village. He | |
| | wanted the school to be involved as well as the other environmental | |
| | groups. He wanted to ensure that the new school was a showcase for | |
| | sustainability. The alliance would also be seeking a plastic free | |
| | community. He noted that the latter would need to involve local | |
| | businesses. A meeting was scheduled for early November to bring | |
| | everything together. Cllr Taylor agreed that an alliance would be more | |
| | powerful and noted that the school was keen on sustainability. Cllr | |
| | Bartle expressed concern that the alliance would not be able to | |
| | influence the big retailers regarding the use of plastic; Cllr Watson | |
| | explained that in this respect it would be part of a nationwide initiative. | |
| | Cllr Pratt asked whether consideration had been given to the reduction | |
| | of street lighting. Cllr Brown suggested that this should be reconsidered | |
| | once the 20mph scheme had been implemented. Cllr Taylor suggested | |
| | solar powered PIR streetlights, such as those installed in Watchfield. | |
| | The member of the public provided details on sustainability standards | |
| | for schools. | |
| | Cllr Watson proposed that the green alliance initiative was | |
| | spearheaded by the Parish Council. Cllr Taylor seconded. RESOLVED. | |
| | | |
| | | |

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 4th October 2021 at 7pm

In the Main Hall at the Memorial Hall

| 21/180 | CHAIR | MAN'S | ANNOUNCEMENTS. | |
|--------|-------|---------|--|------------|
| | a) | - | Dinner 2022. Two suggestions had been put forward | |
| | , | | uest speaker but no decision was made. It was agreed | |
| | | • | e dinner would be held on Saturday 29th January. | |
| | b) | | Council Photographs. A photograph of the full council | |
| | , | | be taken at 6.30pm on Monday 1 st November. Individual | |
| | | | of the Councillors for the website would be taken from | |
| | | 6pm. | | |
| | c) | | i. Graffiti had been reported in the new bus shelter. The | |
| | , | | nan was to be asked to clean it up. Cllr Bartle was to | AL/RB |
| | | | it in the next Parish Jottings. | |
| 21/181 | | | AND CONSIDER REPORTS AND MINUTES OF | |
| | COMM | | AND WORKING GROUPS | |
| | a) | | es of the O&F Committee – The minutes of the O&F | |
| | | | ittee held on 28th September had been circulated. Cllr | |
| | | | reported most of the items discussed were on the | |
| | | | a for this meeting apart from | |
| | | i. | Grass Cutting issues. There had been many problems | |
| | | | within the village during the current season. The matter | |
| | | | was to be discussed further prior to consideration of | |
| | ь) | M: | the 2022 season. | |
| | D) | | es of the Planning committee - The minutes of the | |
| | | | ng Committee meeting held on 30 th September were not le. Cllr Jones reported that the Committee had | |
| | | | ered the following applications: | |
| | | i. | 27a High Street. There had been no objections and | |
| | | 1. | permission had been granted. | |
| | | ii. | Swiss Cottage. The amendment had not changed the | |
| | | | response. The objection was maintained. | |
| | | iii. | 6 Martens Close. This was a permitted development | |
| | | | enquiry for information only. | |
| | | iv. | Highworth Road. This was a Discharge of Conditions | |
| | | | for information only. | |
| | | ٧. | Townsend Road. Amendment reviewed. Objection | |
| | | | maintained. | |
| 21/182 | | | SUCH COMMUNICATIONS AS THE PERSON | |
| | PRESI | | AY WISH TO LAY BEFORE THE COUNCIL | |
| | a) | | is Road car park. A resident had written complaining | |
| | | | e reinstatement of the height barrier prevented high | |
| | | | s entering the car park. Cllr Taylor suggested that if the | |
| | | | It had right of access they should be given a key. The | Clerk/Hall |
| | | | thad stated that they did not want this. It was agreed | Manager |
| | | | e barrier would remain in place. A sign advising of the um height was to be installed. | |
| | b) | | es on the allotments before 6pm. A resident had | |
| | 5) | | and about bonfires on the allotments. This was noted. | |
| | | No acti | | |
| | c) | | g during football matches. A resident had registered | |
| | | | sfaction about parking during football matches. The Trust | |
| | | | ggested that limited parking may be available on the | |
| | | | ation Ground, subject to receiving prior permission. Each | |
| | | | tion would be assessed on a case by case basis. Cllr | |
| | | | n raise the matter of a truck which was parked opposite | |

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 4th October 2021 at 7pm

In the Main Hall at the Memorial Hall

| | Colton Road junction, making access difficult. It was suggested that this matter be referred to the Police and to the Company who owned the truck. d) Parking in the High Street. A complaint had been received about someone parking outside a specific house; the complainant asked the Parish Council to put a note on the windscreen. Clerk to check if the vehicle was taxed and MOT'd. If it was, then the Parish Council would be unable to take any action. e) Dog Waste. A complaint had been received about the increase in dog waste and requesting an additional waste bin. The Parish Council was of the opinion that an additional bin would not solve the problem but agreed to publicise the problem and action. | Clerk | | |
|--------|--|-----------------------------|--|--|
| | ask dog owners to behave more responsibly. f) CEE Bill. Cllr Bartle read out the email asking for support for the bill from the Parish Council. Following discussion, it was agreed that support would be given. Proposed: Cllr Pratt, Seconded: Cllr Taylor. RESOLVED. Clerk to draft a response. g) Swindon Local Plan. The consultation closes on 7th October. Cllr Bartle asked all Councillors to review the plan. Cllr Ware | Clerk All Councillors | | |
| | agreed to share the Vale response with the Parish Council. | | | |
| 21/183 | TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS ATTENDING MEETINGS ON BEHALF OF THE COUNCIL None. | | | |
| 21/184 | FINANCIAL MATTERS | | | |
| | a) Finance Reports - August 2021. The reports were presented and approved. They had previously been signed at the O&F meeting. No issues had been raised. Proposed: Cllr Bartle, seconded: Cllr Taylor. RESOLVED. b) September Payments - Cllr Bartle proposed ratifying the payments which had been approved at the O&F meeting. Cllr Brown seconded. RESOLVED. c) External Audit Report. The external Audit Report was presented. No issues had been raised. The report was accepted. Proposed Cllr Bartle, Seconded Cllr Watson. | | | |
| 21/185 | PLANNING MATTERS - NEW APPLICATIONS None. | | | |
| 21/186 | PLANNING MATTERS - APPLICATIONS RECEIVED SINCE THE PUBLICATION OF THE AGENDA None. | | | |
| 21/187 | PLANNING MATTERS - DECISIONS a) P21/V2314/MPO - Westmill Farm, Highworth Road, Watchfield. Modification of the obligation to delete 'within 25 years' and substitute 'within 40 years' on planning application P01/V1421 and legal agreement 05V06. Awaiting determination. b) P21/V2264/FUL - Land at Townsend Road. Demolition of existing structures and construction of Entry Level Exception Site comprising 26 no. one, two and three | | | |

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 4th October 2021 at 7pm

In the Main Hall at the Memorial Hall

| hadroom offerdeble dwellinge webievler and redectrion | |
|---|--|
| bedroom affordable dwellings, vehicular and pedestrian | |
| accesses, internal access road, resident and visitor | |
| parking, pumping station, landscaping and public open space, boundary treatment and associated works. Awaiting | |
| determination. | |
| | |
| c) P21/V1217/RM - Land at Highworth Road. Reserved | |
| Matters following Outline Permission (P15/V2541/O) for | |
| appearance, layout and scale for the development of a | |
| retail unit up to 400 sqm and associated highways works. | |
| Awaiting determination. | |
| d) P21/V2048/HH - 17 Vicarage Lane . Erection of two storey | |
| rear extension and conversion of garage into home gym. | |
| Awaiting determination. | |
| e) P21/V2011/HH - 5 Stallpits Road . Alterations to the | |
| existing loft conversion to add 2 Dormers to the rear | |
| elevation and gable to front elevation. Awaiting determination. | |
| | |
| f) P21/V0503/O - Land to the North East of Swiss Cottage Earlington Road, Amondod plans for Outline application for | |
| Faringdon Road. Amended plans for Outline application for | |
| the provision of 5no. Self-Build and/or Custom | |
| Housebuilding plots, with all matters reserved except for | |
| access from Faringdon Road. Amended plans. Awaiting determination. | |
| | |
| g) P21/V1850/HH - Medlar Cottage, Faringdon Road . Granny Annex to rear of property. Awaiting determination. | |
| h) P21/V1421/HH - 9 Charlbury Road. Erection of single | |
| storey rear and side extensions. Permission granted. | |
| i) P21/V1515/HH - 7 Longcot Road. Retrospective approval | |
| for removal and replacement of two windows and fitting of | |
| internal structural steel support. New request to replace | |
| existing front door and front elevation ground floor window. | |
| Permission granted. | |
| j) P21/V1220/RM - Land North of Highworth Road. | |
| Reserved Matters following Outline Permission | |
| (P15/V2541/O) for appearance, landscaping, layout and | |
| scale for a development of 151 dwellings and other | |
| associated highways works. Awaiting determination. | |
| k) P21/V0773/RM - Land North of Highworth Road. | |
| Reserved Matters following Outline Permission | |
| (P15/V2541/O) for appearance, landscaping, layout and | |
| scale for a development of 275 dwellings along with | |
| associated public open space and other associated | |
| highways works. Awaiting determination. | |
| P20/V2907/FUL - Faringdon Road. New build sports | |
| facility on a secure defence academy campus. To be | |
| installed on brown field site to the north of the Café & Chat. | |
| | |

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 4th October 2021 at 7pm

In the Main Hall at the Memorial Hall

| | Awaiting determination. | |
|--------|--|--------------|
| 04/400 | | |
| 21/188 | PLANNING MATTERS – MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS a) Cala site, Highworth Road. No update. | |
| 21/189 | PLANNING MATTERS - CONSULTATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS a) Consultation on Oxfordshire 2050 plan. The consultation closes on 8 th October. Cllr Bartle and the Clerk to meet and discuss a response. | RB/Clerk |
| | b) Consultation on the OxCam Arc. The closing date for the consultation was 12th October. Cllr Bartle and the Clerk to meet and discuss a response. c) Publicising Responses. Cllr Taylor proposed that future responses to major applications and consultations should be publicised on social media. Seconded Cllr Bartle. RESOLVED. | RB/Clerk |
| 21/190 | SCHOOL LIAISON Cllr Taylor reported that he was now the Sustainability Governor for the school. | |
| 21/191 | COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH Cllr Ware reported that she had spoken with Cllr Pearson who reported that Neil Platten is dealing with Speedwatch in Shrivenham. Cllr Bartle suggested that Neil Platten attend a meeting to update the Parish Council. It was reported that local volunteers had received training. | GP |
| 21/192 | S106/CIL FUNDING Discussions had been held with Beth Eklins about the MUGA. Cllr Bartle reported that Cllr Constance had received a response regarding the Bus Shelter S106. Cllr Watson asked about ClL funding - it was noted that the new payment schedule will come into force in April 2022. | BW |
| 21/193 | COMMUNITY ART PROJECT It was reported that two quotes for the installation had been received. The third company approached had no responded. | LJ |
| 21/194 | ALLOTMENTS REPORT Cllr Brown reported that there was currently a short waiting list. Inspections were due in the next month. There had been an issue with a dripping tap; this was due to be fixed. SAGA had requested the roll of weed control membrane. Cllr Brown proposed that this was permitted. Cllr Taylor seconded. RESOLVED. Cllr Bartle noted that the allotment gates were often left unlocked. The Chairman of SAGA had been contacted, asking him to ensure their members were informed of the need to lock the gates. | LB |
| 21/195 | REPORT ON ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS a) Countryfile Challenge. All the trees were growing well and chippings had been put down. b) Tuckmill Meadows SSSI. The friends of Tuckmill were up and running. The next step was to arrange for training for the leaders to run working parties. A successful scything course had been held. | CLOSED BW |

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 4th October 2021 at 7pm

In the Main Hall at the Memorial Hall

| | c) Stocks Island. No progress. No funds available. | CLOSED |
|--------|---|--------|
| 21/196 | ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO BE ADDED TO NEXT MONTHS AGENDA. Cllr Bartle asked for items to be included in Parish Jottings. Cllr Taylor suggested including something about the formation of the Green Alliance. Cllr Watson to send some words. | BW |
| 21/197 | DATE OF NEXT MEETING Monday 1 st November at 7pm in the Main Hall. | |

The meeting closed at 20.39