



Wheatley Parish Council Minutes Monday 6th March 2023

Present: P Bignell (PB), P Gregory (PG), R Harding (RH), J Heath (JH), T Newman (TN), P Ramsdale (PR), A Sercombe (AS) (Chair), A Shepherd (AS), R Street (RS), L Tully (LT), P Willmott (PW).

Officer: Michelle Legg, Clerk to the Parish Council (Clerk)

Members of Public: 4

Meeting started at 19:30 and closed at 21:30

No	Item	Action
204.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – apologies were received from Cllrs Barrett, Cooper and Burnett and were accepted by the council. Apologies were also received from SODC Cllr Kantor	
205.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –Cllr Willmott and Cllr Ramsdale- Wheatley Playing Field Trust and Wheatley Rugby Club.	
206.	TO RECEIVE MINUTES from Parish Council meeting on Monday 6 th February 2023 were approved and signed by the chairman as a true record of the meeting.	
207.	TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON OUTSTANDING ACTIONS from Parish Council Meeting on Monday 6 th February 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 194/2022-23 – Meeting with WPFT and Cllrs to be arranged	

The meeting opened for public participation at 19:34

Chairman of Wheatley Neighbourhood Plan – raised point about the leaflet from Oxford Brookes/Bidwells regarding potential reserved matters application.

Public participation closed at 19:40

208. **TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR TIM BEARDER** – not present at the meeting or report available
209. **TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR ALEXANDRINE KANTOR** – previously circulated
210. **TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM THE CLERK**
- SODC Formal consultation for Wheatley Neighbourhood Plan closes 2nd March. Council supported SODCs recommendation to appointment of A Ashcroft as independent examiner of WNP.
 - Reminder of Cuppa, Cake, and Chat on 11th March
 - First Aid training booking for Ast Clerk booked.
 - Road Closure-Holloway Rd.
 - Tree work in Church Rd Rec and St Mary's Churchyard carried out.
 - MS Licences renewed.
 - Grass cutting contract renewed.
 - Clerk has submitted additional precept information to SODC (required as precept is over £140,000)
 - Litter Pick arranged by Sustainable Wheatley 18th March.
 - Newsletter booking forms have been sent (inc. rate increase) and being returned, deadline for content is 16th March.
211. **TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM THE CHAIRMAN**
- Cadet hut – online meeting arranged for 8th March 2023. Chairman and Vice Chairman will attend.
- Meeting with Holton PC and Bidwells (representing OBU) had taken place regarding their proposed reserved matters application. No new detail was available.
- Chairman had joined monthly OALC meeting which was taken up by discussion of CIL monies.

Asked councillors who will be standing for election to consider which committees and working groups they would like to join, sharing skills and knowledge.

212. TO CONSIDER PROPOSALS FROM OCC FOR TWO NEW BUS STOPS

- i) Church Rd, adjacent to the lock up – approved.
- ii) Littleworth, on council owned land by industrial park – approved
The use of the rest of the location was raised and will be investigated, especially around the parking issues.

213. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM WHEATLEY PAVILION PROJECT

Cllr Ramsdale gave a presentation on the topic and councillors were given the opportunity to discuss the proposed plan and timeline.

It was agreed that a conversation was needed with River Learning Trust regarding funding for the increased size of changing rooms and increased access for pavilion during school day.

Cllr Ramsdale, seconded by Cllr Sercombe proposed that up to £10,000 is made available for the funding feasibility study to be completed. - approved

The meeting between Wheatley Parish Council and the Playing Field Trust to be arranged

214. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE REGARDING LOCAL PRODUCE MARKET – received

215. TO CONFIRM DETAILS OF COUNCILLOR DEVELOPMENT DAY - noted

216. TO CONSIDER RESPONSE TO RAF BRIZE NORTONS AIRSPACE CONSULTATION – it was agreed that no response would be made

217. TO APPROVE RECEIPT OF CIL MONIES FROM SODC FOR PERIOD 1ST OCT 2022-31ST MARCH 2023 – approved.

218. TO APPROVE OALC MEMBERSHIP FOR 2023-24 (£864.22) - approved

219. TO RECEIVE UPDATES FROM COMMITTEES/WORKING GROUPS (exceptions only)

- i) Finance Committee – minutes circulated.
- ii) Planning Committee – minutes circulated and meet again 8 Mar.
- iii) Open Spaces Committee – meet again 20th March.
- iv) Staffing Committee – meeting to be arranged
- v) Wellbeing Committee – meeting to be arranged.
- vi) Brookes Development Working Group –
- vii) Holton Pavilion Project - previously discussed
- viii) Communications Working Group – meeting took place 6th March.
- ix) Littleworth Playing Fields Working Group – no further activity and Chair and Vice Chair to meet with representatives.
- x) Traffic Working Group – meeting took place and no updates from OCC Cllr.
- xi) Youth Council/Club – meeting with OPA took place and a second meeting is planned to discuss funding. Likely to be open to years 6,7 and 8.

220. TO RECEIVE UPDATES/REPORTS FROM EXTERNAL PARTNERS (exceptions only)

- i) Community Larder –
- ii) Good neighbour Scheme -
- iii) Howe Trust –
- iv) Maple Tree Centre –
- v) Merry Bells Management Committee –
- vi) Oxford Brookes Residents Association – meeting took place 21st Feb.
- vii) Thames Valley Police - communication regarding ASB in east of village and have attended site where issues have been reported.
- viii) Wheatley Charities – nothing to report

- ix) Wheatley Playing Field Trust – invited to meeting with SODC officers and representatives from OBU regarding s106 agreement and cricket pavilion. PPPlus a future meeting regarding Bayswater Brook.
- x) Wheatley Ukraine Refugee Group –
- xi) Wheatley Windmill Preservation Society – AGM 18th March
- xii) Harringtons meeting update -

221. CORRESPONDENCE AND ANY URGENT ITEMS REQUIRING ATTENTION

(previously circulated)

- i) SODC – various updates; Active Communities, EV charging, monthly update, Ukraine anniversary, elections, independent examiner,
- ii) OCC – unauthorised encampments, tree planting, road closures, potholes
- iii) OALC – Monthly updates,
- iv) Various - village newsletters – available from parish office
- v) Community First Oxfordshire – Town and Parish Community Engagement report
- vi) NALC - events and updates
- vii) CPRE – overspill in Green Belt
- viii) J Howell MP – response from letter

222. TO RESOLVE TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND PRESS FROM THE MEETING DUE TO THE PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED – PROPOSED BY CLLR SERCOMBE AND CLLR NEWMAN.

223. TO APPROVE COSTS FOR COUNCIL LOGO & BRANDING

Cllr Heath declared an interest in this item and left the room at 21:20
The remaining councillors approved the payment.

Cllr Heath returned to the meeting at 21:25

224. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION - none

Date of next meeting Monday 3rd April 2023