

ORCHESTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD AT ORCHESTON VILLAGE HALL

on 20 September 2021

Present:

Sam Shepherd	Chairman
Bryan Wright	Vice Chairman
Maureen Harnett	Councillor
Tim O'Keefe	Councillor
Jenny Pugh	Councillor
Sally Franklin	Councillor

Apologies:

Christopher Coats	Councillor
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In attendance:

John Badgery	Clerk to the Council
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COUNCIL IN INFORMAL SESSION

33. No members of the public were present.

COUNCIL IN FORMAL SESSION

34. **Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 19 July 2021.** The minutes of the meeting held on 19 July 2021 had been circulated and were signed as a true record.

35. **Matters arising from the Minutes.** No matters arising.

36. **Declaration of interests.** No councillors declared any interests.

37. **Chairman's Report.** The Chairman opened a discussion on how our CIL money could be spent. He explained the CIL concept and asked Councillors to think of possible uses for these funds. The chairman suggested a few possible uses for CIL money such as a new Parish Council noticeboard, contribution towards a village defibrillator, repair to the playground fencing. The Clerk was asked to distribute copies of the CIL guidance for the benefit of new Councillors.

38. **Councillors' Reports.** Cllr Pugh asked where sand and sandbags were kept. Cllr Harnett reported on the Shrewton Recreational Charity – she had asked for use of the football pitch to be an item on the agenda at the next meeting of the Shrewton Rec Committee. Cllr Franklin raised the issue of cyclists in the village following King Alfred's Way, a new route created by Cycling UK. The route follows Bridleway 10 and enters the village at the north end where there is normally only minimal residential traffic. This has led to large numbers of cyclists arriving together and not realising that they were entering an area unaccustomed to swarms of fast moving cyclists. Nevertheless it was clear that cyclists are entitled to use the bridleway and the highway through the village.

39. **Finance** Cheques were issued for:

a. Clerk's salary	£160.00
b. Tax on clerk's salary	£40.00
c. Hire of playground	£5.00
d. Hire of Village Hall	£80.00

e. The Information Commissioner's Office will take £35.00 by Direct Debit before the next meeting.

40. **Correspondence.** Briefing Notes had been distributed:

21-13 Management of council business during the pre-election period

21-14 Bus Back Better

21-15 Climate Strategy and Natural Environment Plan

21-16 Taxi Tariff Charges (amended on 20 Sep 21)

41. **Standing Agenda Items**

a. **Planning Applications**

(i) PL/2021/08008 - Manor Farm - no objections.

(ii) PL/2021/08837 - The Old Rectory - no objections.

(iii) **Afternote:** Appleford School wooden building for teaching and meeting was approved on the list received 21 September 2021.

b. **Highways and Byways** – Cllr Wright reported that shortly after the last meeting holes in the tarmac throughout the village were patched. Some hedges had been cut back and grips cleared; a mechanical sweeper had been through the whole village. All streetlights are now LEDs. Salt bins would be refreshed next month. There is a dispute at Wiltshire Council over which department is responsible for the railings over the bridge at the camp site. Cllr Wright will follow up.

c. **Village Maintenance** – there was a need for riparian owners to be reminded of the requirement to cut vegetation back – the river is overgrown along the Shrewton Rec grounds. Footpath 3 and Bridleway 10 also need to be cut back.

42. Date of next meeting 15 November 2021 starting at 7:30pm.

November 2021

S Shepherd Chairman