

Sonning Common Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Monday 13 May 2019 at 19.30 hrs in the Village Hall

Present: Ms Boorman; Mr Coombs; Mrs Diwell; Mr Fort; Mr Giles; Mr Howe; Mr Jones; Mr Kedge; Mrs Lewis; Mr Rawlins; Mr Shanagher. Also: Mr Collings, Parish Clerk and Mr Fithen Henley Standard.

- AMPC19.1 There being no other nominations it was resolved unanimously to elect Mrs Lewis as Chairman of the Council and her Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office was duly signed and witnessed. Mrs Lewis took the chair.
- AMPC19.2 There being no other nominations it was resolved unanimously elect Mr Stoves as Vice Chairman. It was resolved to defer receiving his Vice Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office until his return.
- AMPC19.3 Apologies for absence: Mr Stoves.
- AMPC19.4 To receive any declarations of interest from Members: To receive any declarations of pecuniary interest and/or requests for dispensations from Members regarding any item on this agenda. No declarations made.
- AMPC19.5 Public Participation – none present.
- AMPC19.6 It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 14 May 2018.
- AMPC19.7 It was resolved to nominate and appoint Councillors as members of committees as follows:
- AMPC19.7.1 Finance Committee: Mr Coombs, Mr Kedge, Mrs Lewis, Mr Rawlins, Mr Shanagher and Mr Stoves.
 - AMPC19.7.2 Planning Committee: Mr Coombs, Mrs Diwell, Mr Fort, Mr Giles, Mr Kedge, Mrs Lewis and Mr Stoves (ex-officio as Vice Chairman)
- Each committee to elect a Chairman at its first meeting and a Vice-Chairman if desired.
- AMPC19.8 Members of sub-committees and working parties:
- Environment. It was resolved to merge Footpaths and Environment and Widmore Pond into a single working party which should co-opt further members as required. Members are: Mr Stoves (Chairman), Mrs Diwell, Mr Jones and Mr Kedge.
- NDP2. Members are: Mr Fort (Chairman) and Mr Rawlins plus co-opted members including Mr Greenwood.
- MHFWP. Memorial Hall Field Working Party: Mrs Pearman (Chairman); Mr Rawlins; Mrs Snowden plus co-opted members. Parish Clerk and Deputy both participate.
- VCWP. Village Centre Working Party: Mr Howe (Chairman); Ms Boorman; Mrs Diwell; Mr Fort; Mr Giles; Mr Rawlins plus co-opted members. Parish Clerk and Deputy both participate. Lay co-options taking place.
- AMPC19.9 Councillors to represent the Parish Council on or to relevant external bodies:
- Allotments Committee: Mr Stoves;
 - Sonning and District Welfare and Educational Trust: Mrs Diwell;
 - Poor's Land Trust: Mr Rawlins and Mrs Diwell;
 - On Your Bike (Health Centre) Committee: Mr Fort;
 - Scouts/Guides Hut Management Committee: Mr Howe.
- AMPC19.10 It was resolved to confirm the continuing appropriateness of the Standing Orders for Sonning Common Parish Council as adopted on 21 October 2013.
- AMPC19.11 It was resolved to confirm that the Parish Council is qualified to use the General Power of Competence.
- AMPC19.12 It was resolved to confirm that the next Annual Meeting will be on Monday 11 May 2020.
- Meeting closed at 20.02

Chairman: Dated:

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Present: Mrs Lewis (Chairman); Ms Boorman; Mr Coombs; Mrs Diwell; Mr Fort; Mr Giles; Mr Howe; Mr Jones; Mr Kedge; Mr Rawlins; Mr Shanagher. Also: Cllr Bartholomew; Mr Collings, Parish Clerk; Mr Fithen of the Henley Standard and Mr A Gibbon for item 20/026.

- 20/015 Apologies for absence: Mr Stoves. No declarations
- 20/016 Public Question Time: None.
- 20/017 Police Matters: No useful information received.
- 20/018 Minutes of previous meetings:
- 018.01 Finance Committee held on 10 April 2019 - presented and approved.
 - 021.02 Planning Committee held on 15 April 2019 - presented and approved.
 - 021.03 Parish Council meeting held on 15 April 2019 - presented and approved.
- 20/019 County Councillor's Report – circulated by email.
- 20/020 District Councillor's Report Mr Rawlins gave a brief update on SODC activities since his election. It was agreed that a letter should be sent to Mr Paul Harrison to acknowledge his many years of work in and for the parish.
- 20/021 Parish Clerk's Report - noted.
- 20/022 Memorial Hall Field Working Party (MHFWP) update. It was reported that work continues to get a planning application for the levelling completed.
- 20/023 Village Centre Working Party (VCWP) – Mr Howe advised that work is being commissioned from Peter Brett Associates to take forward the Ben H-B ideas.
- 20/024 Environment Working Party – no report.
- 20/025 Risk Assessment and Asset Register – this item was deferred.
- 20/026 A proposal in principle that the Parish Council should take over by transfer the ownership and trusteeship of the Kidmore End Memorial Hall (KEMH) was discussed at some length supported by explanation of the need from Mr Gibbon. It was resolved to take the matter forward with attendant legal details and a plan developed for managing KEMH on the basis that SCPC will care for and cherish it as an asset for the village.
- 20/027 Mrs Lewis previewed the topic of Annual Parish meeting on 20 May.
- 20/028 Matters for future agendas – plans for KEMH and Emergency Planning.

Meeting closed at 21.32

Next meeting: Monday 17 June 2019 at 20.00.

Chairman: Dated: