

Minutes of the meeting of Sonning Common Parish Council

Held on Monday 15 July 2019 in the Village Hall

Present: Mrs Lewis (Chairman); Mr Coombs; Mrs Diwell; Mr Giles; Mr Howe; Mr Kedge Mr Rawlins and Mr Stoves plus Mr Collings (Parish Clerk) and Mr Fithen (Henley Standard).

- 20/045 Apologies for absence: Ms Boorman; Mr Fort; Mr Jones and Mr Shanagher
- 20/046 Public Question Time. Mrs Chrissie Godfrey explained how Village Gardeners are finding it difficult to cope with some of the beds and asked if council could consider taking them on. After discussion it was agreed that a proposal to resource this will be put to Finance Committee in August.
- 20/047 Police Matters: No input other than emails from the deputy P&CC.
- 20/048 Minutes of previous meetings:
- 048.01 Finance Committee held on 5 June 2019 - presented and approved.
 - 048.02 Planning Committee held on 17 June 2019 - presented and approved.
 - 048.03 Parish Council meeting held on 17 June 2019 - presented and approved.
- 20/049 County Councillor's Report: Cllr Bartholomew reviewed his emailed report and added local issues including that the path from Wood Lane to Grove Road cannot be widened by cutting the oak tree as it is protected by a TPO. Pond End Road setts costs to be decided at August Finance meeting.
- 20/050 District Councillor's Report: Cllr Rawlins reported that the Gillotts Leisure Centre 'dry side' is to be refurbished; a decision is imminent about reviewing Local Plan 2034.
- 20/051 Parish Clerk's Report – noted with request to chase up parking issue with other villages and push for SODC action on 33/35 Peppard Road.
- 20/053 Memorial Hall Field Working Party (MHFWP) update – Mr Rawlins advised that the planning application is imminent.
- 20/054 Village Centre Working Party (VCWP) – Mr Howe reported that a meeting had been held on 6 July and that detailed layout proposals are due this week from PBA.
- 20/055 Environment Working Party – Mr Stoves to reconvene this after the holidays.
- 20/056 NDP II preparation – Mr Fort's emailed update to members was noted.
- 20/057 In order to receive a grant of £18,629 towards the £37,258 cost of resurfacing parts of Lea Road Play Area it was resolved unanimously to enter into a Grant Agreement with SODC for this purpose.
- 20/058 Parish page in SC Magazine. It was agreed that a format that allows for news snippets from working parties and committees should be adopted with linkage to the proposed website upgrade and social media presence.
- 20/059 It was resolved to delegate authority to the Finance Committee to take decisions for the Council in August.
- 20/060 After some discussion it was resolved to underwrite the costs up to £3K of Summer Fun Days using both KEMH and MHF as a means of promoting both.
- 20/061 Matters for future agendas – website review date.
- Next meeting: Monday 16 September 2019 at 20.00.

Chairman:

Dated: