

Minutes of the Meeting of Sonning Common Parish Council held on Monday 20 July at 20.00 hrs by video conference.

Held via Zoom video conference. under the COVID19 arrangements on Monday 15 June 2020 at 20.00 hrs.

Present: Mrs Lewis (Chairman); Ms Boorman; Mrs Diwell; Mr Fort; Mr Howe; Mr Jones; Mr Kedge; Mr Rawlins; Mr Shanagher and Mr Stoves plus Mr Collings (Parish Clerk), Mr Fithen (Henley Standard) and Mrs Jenkins (Deputy Clerk). Mr Giles was unable to connect.

- 21/125 Apologies for absence and declarations of interests. None.
- 21/126 Public Question Time – none present
- 21/127 Co-option of new Member – Mr Michael Cann, whose CV had been circulated previously, explained his interest in joining the council and answered questions. After he left the meeting it was resolved unanimously that he be co-opted.
- 21/128 Minutes of the following meetings were presented and approved individually:
- 128.01 Finance Committee held on 9 July 2020.
 - 11202 Planning Committees held on 1 and 15 June 2020.
 - 112.03 Parish Council meeting held on 15 June 2020.
- 21/129 County Councillor's Report Cllr Bartholomew commented on his emailed report and particularly on the possible detriment to communities along the B481 should Henley succeed in obtaining a ban on vehicles of over 7.5 tons. It was agreed that a letter would be sent to OCC Cllr Constance raising concerns.
- 21/130 District Councillor's Report – Cllr Rawlins commented on changes in the planning regime as noted in his report.
- 21/131 Parish Clerk's Report - noted.
- 20/132 Memorial Hall Field Working Party (MHFWP) update notes from Mrs Pearman had been circulated by email.
- 20/133 Village Centre Working Party (VCWP) – Mr Howe advised that progress is stalled by COVID.
- 20/134 Environment Working Party –Mr Stoves advised that progress is stalled by COVID.
- 20/135 NDP II preparation – Mr Fort conformed that progress is being made and the WP will take a break until September.
- 20/136 Plastic Free Communities WP –Ms Boorman advised that progress is stalled by COVID.
- 21/137 Website modernisation – Mr Shanagher advised that a conclusion is imminent.
- 21/138 Review COVID19 situation as it affects SCPC in terms of opening play areas and the village halls.
- 21/139 Audit update – the Parish Clerk sought agreement to appoint a new Internal Audit firm given the incapacity of Mr Hood. It was resolved so to do.
- 21/140 A Motion to delegate all Council power to the Finance Committee until September meeting was passed unanimously.
- 21/141 Matters for future agendas – no proposals. Ms Boorman is to speak to Cllr Bartholomew about cycleways

Next meeting: Monday 21 September 2020 at 20.00.

Chairman:

Dated: