

## Minutes of the meeting of Sonning Common Parish Council held on Monday 19 June 2017 in the Village Hall

Present: Mrs Lewis (Chairman); Mrs Diwell; Mr Howe; Mr Kedge; Mr Rawlins; Mr Rust and Mr Stoves.  
Also: Mr Collings (Parish Clerk) and Mrs Varnes (Deputy Parish Clerk).

Also present: Cllr D Bartholomew, Cllr P Harrison and C McLoughlin Henley Standard

- 18/028 Apologies for absence Mr Fort, Mr Greenwood, Mrs Phillips-Tilbury and Mr Jones. No declarations of interest.
- 18/029 Public Question Time under Section 30 of Standing Orders.
- 18/030 New member co-option: After statements by two candidates and questioning by members a secret ballot and it was announced that by four votes to three Mr Mika Rinta-Suksi had been co-opted and after signing his Declaration of Acceptance of Office he joined the meeting.
- 18/031 Police Report items. Requests to know when the Grove Road yellow lines will be painted.
- 18/032 Minutes of previous meetings:  
032.01 Finance Committee held on 7 June 2017 were presented and approved.  
032.02 Planning Committee held on 2 and 15 May and 5 June were presented and approved.  
032.03 Parish Council meeting and Annual Meeting both held on 15 May 2017 were presented and approved.
- 18/033 County Councillor's Report: Cllr Bartholomew reported on a new Cabinet post 'Local Communities' tasked to re-energise the 'Oxfordshire Together' promoting closer working between OCC and parish councils; that he is continuing to work on the Chiltern Edge issue; that SCPC would have to pay costs of a speed limit change on the B481; that Reading seem to be 'jumping the gun' on the 3<sup>rd</sup> bridge; that an additional gulley to help clear the water off Wood Lane has been requested and the likely effects of the two month closure of the A4155.
- 18/034 District Councillor's Report. Cllr Harrison reported on Devolution and the Unitary Bid; Neighbourhood Planning Up-date; Local Plan update; the Land Supply situation and the South and Vale Community Safety Partnership.
- 18/035 Parish Clerk's Report - noted.
- 18/036 Memorial Hall Field Working Party (MHFWP) update – the Parish Clerk reported that the legal process to transfer the site to SCPC continues with completion apparently imminent.
- 18/037 Village Centre Working Party (VCWP) – Mr Howe reported that the Hamilton-Baillie work is due for completion in June.
- 18/038 Village Hall management – a report from the Parish Clerk on proposed changes to ownership was approved unanimously.
- 18/039 Woodland management – It was resolved that the present Trees Committee should become a full Working Party with the brief to to plan for and manage use post acquisition.
- 18/040 B481 update – the Parish Clerk was asked to obtain detailed costs for a reduced speed limit.
- 18/041 Social media update – as a result of Mr Howe and Mrs Varnes attending a course a number of actions were recommended for investigation and report back.
- 18/042 NDP updating status report – work is proceeding to assign tasks and determine the full scope of what is needed. It was resolved to approach the 11 other large villages on S Oxon with a view to setting up an alliance and adopting a joint approach to consultation on LP2033 and to support and protect Neighbourhood Plans.
- 18/043 Farina update – verbal report.
- 18/044 Trees and AONB update – Mr Rust reported that work is continuing to seek support from CCB and Natural England.
- 18/045 Matters for future agendas: the Hamilton-Baillie report; the 12 village response.

Meeting closed at 21.38. Next meeting: Monday 17 July 2017 at 20.00.

Chairman: .....

Dated: .....