

**Minutes of the South Hinksey Parish Council
at South Hinksey Village Hall**

Monday 7th September 2015

Present: Sarah Balaam (Vice-Chair), Christine Chater, Matthew Frohn, Liz LeFevre,
Maggie Rawcliffe (Chair)

Sheridan Edward (Outgoing Clerk), Geoffrey Ferres (Incoming Clerk),
Cllr Bob Johnston (OxonCC),

Other attendees: Peter Rawcliffe, Carol Colclough

Time commenced: 6:30pm

1. Apologies

Cllr Emily Smith (VoWHDC), Cllr Debby Hallett (VoWHDC)

2. Declarations of interest

MR – Village Hall.

3. Public questions, comments or representations

PR attended the meeting to discuss item 11.

CC attended the meeting to discuss item 13.

4. Minutes of July 2015 meeting

The Council **resolved** to agree the minutes of the July 2015 meeting.

5. Matters arising

Village Hall. The Council had instructed Henmans Freeth and were awaiting a response.

6. Finance – payments and receipts

Payments

Payee	Reason	Amount	Power to act
VOWHDC	2015 election fee	£85.00	s16 LGA 1972
BGG Garden and Tree Care	July grass cutting	£435.00	s96 HA 1980
BDO	2014/15 external audit	£120.00	s7 LAAA 2014
South Hinksey Village Hall	2015/16 hall hire fee	£250.00	s133 LGA 1972
Daily Information	Clerk vacancy advert	£180.00	s112 LGA 1972
Sheridan Edward	July to Sept wages and expenses	£642.20	s112 LGA 1972

The Council **resolved** to approve the payments.

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Receipts

Payer	Reason	Amount
VoWHDC	Precept – 2 nd installment	£3.750.00

7. Planning applications

P15/V1382/FUL – Oxford Garden Centre – erection of replacement office building

The Council noted the planning committee decision to grant the application. BJ believed that saved planning policy GS3 now no longer applied. The Council was very concerned about the implications. **Action: SE to clarify with Planning and request a meeting with a Planning Officer to discuss further.**

8. Correspondence

None.

9. County Councillor's report

BJ reported that the fence around the Redbridge traveller site was now complete. The next task would be clearing the fly-tipping. The Local Transport Plan 4 was due to be confirmed by the OxonCC cabinet the following day. BJ expressed concerns at the inclusion of the Lodge Hill P&R. He also noted that the rail electrification project was on track.

10. District Councillors' report

ES and DB circulated a report updating councillors on the progress of the Local Plan, local consultations, community grants and Oxford's Unmet Housing Needs. **Action: SE to forward report to CC and MR.**

11. Campaigns

South Hinksey to North Hinksey footpath. The Coop had stated that they were unwilling to grant a permissive footpath across the land until a tenant is found. Given the historic use of the route, SE suggested that the Council investigating applying for a Definitive Map Modification Order to create a public right of way. The Council wished to pursue DH's lead first. **Action: SE to chase DH.**

Footbridge over the railway. PR reported that Bob Price had met with the new Chair of Network Rail, who had stated they will start the design process again. PR had also received a letter from Nicola Blackwood MP with the response from ECHR, which was felt to be very unhelpful.

Barleycott Lane. There was no update from Highways as to when the work was likely to be carried out. **Action: SE to chase.**

Flood barriers. Thames Water had been carrying out site visits to assess the problem of sewage flooding. Adrian Porter and PR had also met with representatives from the EA and Thames Water and minutes of the meeting were sent to the Council. The EA were still to confirm the final scheme for the flood barrier groundworks, and would be meeting that week.

12. Traffic issues

Speed limit between Hinksey Hill and Kennington roundabouts. The Council had received confirmation from Highways that they were reviewing the speed limit, and stated that a formal consultation was likely in the autumn.

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30mph speed limit on Hinksey Hill. A representative from the Boars Hill Residents Association contacted LLF to seek support for a 30mph speed limit proposal from Boars Hill to the Hinksey Hill interchange. The Council were supportive of increased road safety, and requested details of the scheme in order to form a public consultation and formal response from the Council. **Action: LLF to provide details. GF to include on next agenda.**

13. Maintenance issues

Leylandii in the burial ground. SE and MR had carried out a site visit with a representative from TOE2. It was felt that the grant application was likely to be successful, and their report would also outline suggestions for the new hedgerow and disposal of the leylandii. The owner of the adjacent field, Carol Colcough, attended the meeting to clarify the details of the work prior to granting any access. SE had discussed the issues with the tree surgeon and updated CC. The Council were very grateful for her consideration. The Council noted that a) it was important to ensure the boundary was reinstated in the correct place, and to ensure that the fence was replaced immediately following the felling; b) the contractor was properly briefed on the conditions of the access; c) ownership of the boundary fence was established; d) nearby residents were informed of the work and the noise. If necessary, a site visit could be arranged between the contractor, CC and the Council. **Action: SE to send details to Carol Colcough for consideration.**

Stile at Barleycott Lane. MR confirmed that this was completed.

14. 20mph speed limit

SE had circulated a draft consultation document to the Council. It was felt that the reason for the consultation, i.e. increased non-resident traffic in the village, should be included in the summary. The Council also felt that the consultation should be carried out in tandem with the 30mph speed limit consultation on Hinksey Hill. **Action: SE to amend consultation. GF to include on agenda for following month.**

15. Defibrillator and Village Emergency Telephone System

The Village Hall had agreed that the existing sign be moved to the front of the building. **Action: SE to arrange with Dave Cullen and order child pads for the AED.**

The Council **resolved** to defer discussion of the VET system until the following month. **Action: GF to include on agenda.**

16. Any other business

None.

19. Feedback from members of the public

None.

Time concluded: 8:00pm

MINUTES SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

Date of the next Parish Council meeting: 5th October 2015 at 7:30pm
in South Hinksey Village Hall

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Date: _____