

Minutes of the Meeting of Uffington Parish Council, Monday 14th November 2016 at 7.30pm at the Thomas Hughes Memorial Hall

Present: Cllr Simon Jenkins (Chair), Cllr Graham Banks, Cllr Karen Pilcher, Cllr Fenella Oberman, Cllr Mike Oldnall
Clerk/Finance Officer: Julia Evans

District Councillor: Cllr Robert Sharp

County Councillor: Cllr Yvonne Constance

Mr L Horton, VOWHDC

Members of the Public: Mr and Mrs A Parsons, Mr G Rumble, Mr D Coxhead, Mr R Heyburn, Mr E Preece, Mr B Bendall

301/16	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr Coad sent apologies for absence.	Action
302/16	DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS Cllr Pilcher declared an interest in items 14c on the agenda. Cllr Jenkins declared an interest in agenda item 11ai.	
303/16	MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD ON 10th OCTOBER 2016 Cllr Pilcher proposed acceptance of the minutes of the Monthly meeting held on Monday 10 th October 2016. Cllr Oldnall seconded. RESOLVED. The minutes were signed.	
304/16	REMAINING BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING: Bus Shelter Painting – Cllr Oberman to send Mr Blatchley’s telephone number Litter Bin – Still awaiting a response from the Vale on this. The meeting agreed that additional capacity in the Shop area was required, and a larger bin was preferable to installing another small one. Clerk to research capacities and prices of larger bins.	C/F: Clerk/FO Clerk
305/16	COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT: Cllr Constance noted that there was nothing new to report. Cllr Constance expressed concern over the continued use of black bags in recycling bins. Cllr Jenkins to send Cllr Constance information regarding the appeal by an Uffington resident about failing to gain a place for his child at Uffington School. Cllr Constance was thanked for attending.	SJ
306/16	DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT: Cllr Sharp reported that the new A34 slip roads at Chilton were now open. Dalton Barracks is to close, but probably not until 2029. A volunteering survey is available on the Vale website. Free car parking (all day) will be available in Abingdon on the four Saturdays before Christmas and in Wantage and Faringdon on a number of days in December. Cllr Sharp was thanked for attending. Cllr Jenkins thanked Cllr Sharp for his gift of a kissing gate to replace a stile close to the Jack’s Lea estate.	
307/16	POLICE REPORT: This was not available.	
308/16	PRESENTATION FROM Go Active Gold Luke Horton from Go Active Gold VOWHDC gave a presentation on the scheme which provides activities such as walking football, Pilates, Zumba Gold, table tennis, badminton etc. for rural residents aged 60+. Go Active Gold will provide funding support for instructors, equipment and hire of the hall for the first 6-10 weeks. A taster event is planned for January 2017 and publicity information will be provided.	
309/16	OPEN FORUM: Mr Bendall, associate governor of the Primary School spoke regarding a grant for the school from S106 funds. He was requested to provide details of the projects that require funding, to include details of the amount required. Cllr Jenkins emphasised that the Parish Council would be unlikely to provide 100% of the cost of the project and that it must be a capital project. Cllr Jenkins invited school representation at the meeting with Redcliffe Homes to discuss the proposed residential development on land at Fawler Road and Station Road Uffington. . Mr Preece presented a proposal for a residential development of 30-50 houses on	

	<p>land off Fernham Road. The proposal is still at a very early stage. A discussion on the proposal followed.</p> <p>Mr Heyburn representing the Tennis Club informed the meeting that they would be consulting their members of one of the following projects for S106 funding:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) A shelter at the Tennis Courts 2) A self-binding gravel path 3) A composting lavatory <p>He then went on to outline his objection to the proposed development of three dwellings on Woolstone Road.</p> <p>Mr Coxhead, the landowner explained that he had complied with everything requested by the VOWHDC planning officers. He stated that the siting of the proposed dwellings would prevent future development of the fields behind.</p> <p>Mr and Mr Parsons expressed concern about the impact of the Woolstone Road proposal on the Uffington Conservation Area and views in and out from the site.</p>	
	ONGOING PROJECTS	
310/16	Parish Council assets and Land Registry: Refer to minute reference 316/16 below.	
311/16	Station Road development: Cllrs Oberman and Jenkins have had a tour of the social housing, which are now almost complete. Cllr Oberman felt that they were well designed. There is an issue whether parking should be allocated.	
312/16	Proposed Housing Development on land at Fawler Road and Station Road, Uffington.: A public meeting was held on 8 th November. 35 - 45 residents attended at various times. The main issues raised were sustainability, drainage, access to the site, speeding on Fawler Road, timing with the Neighbourhood Plan, and the design of the development. The developers, Redcliffe Homes, have arranged a stakeholders meeting for 21 st November at 4pm. Representatives from the Parish Council, Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group and from the Governors of Uffington School will attend.	
313/16	Community Led Plan update: Cllr Jenkins to write another update report.	SJ
314/16	Creation of a Neighbourhood Plan - update: Woolstone wishes to withdraw from the Neighbourhood Plan. A meeting has been scheduled with the Vale to discuss the way forward. The Drayton appeal has been allowed which could present issues for Neighbourhood Plans in general, but Cllr Sharp noted that the matter may go before a judicial review.	
315/16	Development of an Emergency Plan: Clerk to order some SSE leaflets for the shop.	Clerk
316/16	Tom Brown's School Room Update: The consultation period on the application for listed building consent for the necessary repairs to the building has closed. The only comment was a positive one from the conservation officer. A decision is due by 7 th December. An application has been submitted for a New Homes grant but a response will not be received until the end of January. A summary of the condition survey has been received; it is generally good and the issues that have been raised are already known. The rubble at the back of the building needs to be removed asap. There is no update on the application for a grant for the surveys and the data logger. Ownership – It has been ascertained that TSB (formerly Lloyds TSB) do not hold any legal documents on behalf of the Parish Council. The plan is to register title to the building in the name of the Parish Council.	KP/SJ
317/16	Update of MUGA installation: A launch event is scheduled for 11am on 26 th November. Cllr Oberman agreed to store the tools supplied by the manufacturers. The Certificate of Satisfaction will be signed after the official opening. Clerk to establish whether a safety survey will be carried out.	FO Clerk
318/16	Update on Community Art Project: An artist has been selected for the installation of an information board with smaller installations around the village. The next step is a consultation between the village and the artist.	
319/16	Speed Reduction Measures on Fawler Road: Message Master have been contacted	

	for a quote. Awaiting feedback.	
320/16	Playdale Quote for work in the Play Area: Ongoing. The project will include a wheelchair friendly roundabout.	
	PLANNING MATTERS	
321/16	<p>New Applications to be considered:</p> <p>Clr Banks took the Chair. Clr Jenkins sat with the public.</p> <p>P16/V2427/FUL – Manor House. Proposed new dwelling. Access is off Fernham Road. Clr Oberman noted the issues that have already been raised on the Vale website. Concerns are overdevelopment of the site, parking, the proximity of the stream, access and visibility splays. The meeting resolved to submit a holding objection until further work has been carried out to address the issues raised. Clr Banks to draft a response.</p> <p>Clr Jenkins took the Chair.</p> <p>P16/V22611/LB – The Old Schoolroom. Repairs to the walls. Item for information only. See minute 316/16.</p> <p>P16/V2665/FUL – Woolstone Road. Proposal for three new dwellings. A site visit was held. There are concerns about the impact on the views in and out of the conservation area; these were recorded as important in the 1970 Village Plan. Clr Pilcher would like a covenant to protect the fields at the back of the site. The meeting resolved to submit a holding objection requesting changes to the layout and design of the proposal. Clr Jenkins to draft a response.</p> <p>P16/V2512/FUL – Britchcombe Farm. Change of use from agricultural to seasonal campsite. The meeting resolved to respond with no objection.</p>	<p>GB</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>SJ</p>
	FINANCE	
322/16	<p>To approve a donation for the Memorial Wreath: Clr Oldnall proposed a donation of £30. Clr Pilcher seconded. RESOLVED.</p> <p>To approve November payments and sign cheques: A full list of payments is attached to these minutes. Clrs Pilcher and Oldnall proposed and seconded approval of payments totalling £16884.59. RESOLVED. The cheques were signed.</p> <p>Draft budget for 2017/18: Main cost centres are on target for 2016/17 so the budget will not be re-set. Forecast spend for 2017/18 is under consideration. S106 funds will not be included in the budget setting. Adjustments are to be made prior to circulation for discussion at the next meeting.</p>	
	ANNUAL/QUARTERLY REVIEWS	
323/16	None.	
324/16	<p>UPKEEP (INC. WATERCOURSES)</p> <p>Oxfordshire Together: A report has been produced on grip maintenance. Awaiting a map.</p> <p>Stile on Upper Common Lane: Clr Jenkins to chase Henry Allenby.</p> <p>The Mound: Trotters Tree Works to be asked to include a more detailed report of the trees on the Craven Common Mound.</p> <p>Tree Survey: Clr Pilcher proposed accepting the quote of circa. £1200 from Trotters Tree Works. Clr Oberman seconded. RESOLVED. Clr Jenkins to instruct them to proceed.</p> <p>Field Tidy: This went well. 2200 crocus corms were planted on 14 November by the village sign in the shape of the White Horse. These have been donated by the Rotary Club of Faringdon & District to commemorate Rotary International efforts to eradicate polio world-wide; Douglas Dalrymple was thanked for facilitating this gift.</p>	<p>SJ</p> <p>SJ</p> <p>SJ</p>
	GENERAL	
325/16	Monthly Play Area inspections: Clr Oberman reported that turf will be replaced as required.	FO
326/16	Website: It was noted that the fee will double this year as the introductory discount	

	had now ended.	
327/16	Parish Council Archives: This is ongoing.	SJ/KP/Clerk
328/16	Photocopier: Costs have been presented to the school. They will take this to the school governors.	
329/16	Village Defibrillator: Cllr Oldnall has received the information. The next step is to apply for a grant from SSE. The next grant round is in April.	MO
330/16	Report from Town and Parish Forum: The presentations will be available on the Vale website soon. Suzanne Malcolm, Economic Development Manager at VOWHDC may be able to assist with the trading estate; Baulking Parish Meeting will contact her Adrian Duffield, Head of Planning, is hopeful of maintaining a 5 year housing land supply for the duration of the Local Plan.	
	CONSULTATIONS	
331/16	None.	
	CORRESPONDENCE/AOB	
332/16	Grass: The grass by the tarmac around the MUGA needs cutting back. This can be reused in the on the other side of the Jubilee Field. OALC Newsletter: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Salt bins: Uffington currently doesn't have one. Clerk to investigate. - Business Continuity Plan for key staff. This needs to be developed. - Community Transport. Cllr Pilcher to send this information to John Hatcher. - Green bottle scheme. Cllr Jenkins to send details in a village email. Charity Trustees Training Course: To be investigated.	Clerk KP/Clerk KP SJ Clerk
333/16	DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be Monday 12 th December 2016 at the Thomas Hughes Memorial Hall.	

The meeting closed at 10.40 pm