

Minutes of the Offley Parish Council Meeting

Incorporating Offley – Cockernhoe – Tea Green – Mangrove Green

Wednesday 5th June 2019 Cockernhoe Memorial Hall 7.30pm

Present: Cllr. Mrs J Neal (Chairman)
 Cllr. Mrs A. Balfour-Lynn (Vice Chair)
 Cllr. Mrs B. Dyer
 Cllr. Mrs F. Frost - part
 Cllr. Mrs S. Miller
 Cllr. R. Piepenstock
 Cllr. Mrs. N. Roberts
 Cllr. Mrs. L. Tomes

In attendance: Cllr. David Barnard
 David Sample – Clerk
 Members of the Public

Minutes

1	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Cllr C Strong	
2	DECLARATION OF INTEREST Any Councillor required to make a declaration of interest in accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted on June 15th 2012 must declare such interest at the start of the meeting. <i>There were no declarations.</i>	ALL
3	<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING</u> It was proposed and resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 15 th May are approved as an accurate record of the meeting. <i>The minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman</i>	
4	<u>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA</u> There were no matters arising.	CLERK
5	<u>CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</u>	JN
6	<u>URGENT ITEMS</u>	
7	PUBLIC QUESTIONS The clerk reported that following the PC elections we have a councillor vacancy in the Cockernhoe Ward. There have been three applicants and after discussion it was agreed that all three would be invited to the July PCM. A letter of invitation was to be sent.	
8	<u>HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL</u>	DB
9	<u>NORTH HERTS DISTRICT</u> Cllr Barnard reported regarding the management changes at NHDC. There is now a Lib/Lab team in place. The Hitchin Library will be official open very soon. Cllr Barnard was no longer representing NHDC at the Chilterns Conservation Board.	CS/FF
10 10.1	<u>PLANNING</u> Planning Consultation 19/00907/FP at Offley Stores. The clerk reported that he had written to the planning officer making the following observation that the majority of local residents wanted the development which included the replacement shop. Concern was shown over the loss of the tree and the clerk ask that as a condition of planning approval the tree be replaced within the site. It was also proposed that the site be renamed Pilsworth Gardens or	Clerk

10.2	similar. The clerk said he would write to Carla Pilsworth for the families permission to put this suggestion forward to the planning officer concerned. To consider any other planning matters pertinent to the PC Planning Consultation 18/01509/FP at Land To The South Of West lane APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS hence the delay in starting on site.	
10.3	The Local Plan all of the recommended changes have been returned to NHDC for consideration.	
10.4	London Luton Airport Limited (LLAL) LLA have submitted a planning application to remove the noise restriction by 1% for the next 5 years whilst the Airlines bring newer planes into service. This is being vigorously fought by all surrounding district and town councils.	
10.5	DANCOTE - There is no current communication.	
10.6	Wigmore Park –It would seem that LBC wish to move the park car park into North Herts.	
10.7	Wandon Park Again LBC have approved building applications for more houses. The applicant is a LBC company	
10.8		
11	<u>FINANCE</u>	RFO
11.1	Report on Payments and Income see attached	
11.2	The clerk presented the 2018/2019 final accounts for approval. After discussion the accounts were proposed, seconded and adopted.	
12	<u>CURRENT PROJECTS</u>	
12.1	OFFLEY OFFLEY RECREATION CENTRE (ORC) Following the AGM a new committee has been appointed. However there has been no announcements regarding what is happening or what the changes are.	Clerk
12.2	OFFLEY VILLAGE HALL	
12.2.1	Removal of the Ash Tree and ongoing insurance claim. Nothing to report	
12.2.2	Cllr Neal reported that the Village Hall needed a new Oil Tank . Alan Forsyth said that he may be able to help. E-mails to be exchanged. It was also discussed that a Heat Source Pump should be investigated. Cllr Piepenstock said that he would send details to Cllr Neal.	
12.2.3	Parish Neighbourhood Plan Publish in the Village Voice?? As there were no communication received it was agreed that this project would be removed from the agenda for the present time	Clerk
12.2.4	Request for a Commemorative Plaque for the Lancaster Bomber Crash 1944: The Plaque to be placed on Sunday 21 st July. A senior RAF officer was to be asked to attend. Just waiting for a couple of Photos then we can progress with the artwork.	
12.3	<u>COCKERNHOE - MANGROVE - TEA GREEN</u>	
12.4	Party on the Park – The clerk reported that funds donated by Urbaser to the ORC would now be placed with CMH for the party on the Green	
12.4.1	Parking on Village Green TEA GREEN Cllr Frost had received two telephone calls from the public about the overflow parking on the green from social events at the village public house. The problem was discussed, and it was reported that this is the first report in three years. The situation was to be monitored and the General Manager at the PH was to be written to regarding this problem before it escalates out of control between locals and visitors.	
12.5	GENERAL	
12.5.1	Police Report – Nothing received this month.	
12.5.2	Community Library – in the Green Man	
13	<u>HERTS HIGHWAYS</u>	

13.1	Highways Wish List. It was agreed that this subject would be removed from the agenda	CLERK
13.2	Mangrove Road Safety upgrades Still complaints from residents. The clerk reported that he would write again and try to close the matter	
14	RIGHTS OF WAY	ABL
14.1	Mangrove Hall Farm Work in progress. Cllr Balfour–Lynn reported that HCC were in the process of looking to recruit ROW officer replacement. FP14 An incident was report regarding a hole in the ground on FP14 Cllr Balfour - Lynn said that it had been reported. She was asked to follow up to ensure that action had been taken	
15	PARISH PLAY	
16	CLERKS REPORT Village Voice – Next issue Copy date 15 th June for the JULY issue. issue	CLERK
17	ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA Non requested	CLERK
18	DATE OF NEXT MEETING Wednesday 3rd July 2019 Offley Village Hall	
19	The meeting closed at 8.55pm	

	MONTH	Transaction Date	Company	Payments & Receipts for Authorisation			
				Nominal	Outgoing	Income	Payment Date
1	31/05/2019	31/05/2019	Mrs M Fairbanks	5002	£ 70.00		31/05/2019
2	31/05/2019	31/05/2019	Mrs J Johnson	5002	£ 70.00		31/05/2019
3	31/05/2019	31/05/2019	Mr Louis Michaels	5002	£ 25.00		31/05/2019
4	31/05/2019	31/05/2019	Clerks Salary	5000	£ 559.52		31/05/2019
5	31/05/2019	31/05/2019	Clerks Tax		£ 139.85		31/05/2019
6	31/05/2019	31/05/2019	Clerks Expenses	various	£ 81.30		31/05/2019
7	31/05/2019	31/05/2019	Whitehill Ground	5550	£ 540.00		31/05/2019
8	31/05/2019	31/05/2019	JC Agriculture		£ 816.00		31/05/2019
9	31/05/2019	31/05/2019	JC Agriculture Balance		£ 288.00		31/05/2019
10	31/05/2019	31/05/2019	MJ Dilley	cheque	£110.00		05/06/2019
11	01/04/2019	01/04/2019	Mrs A Beasey Cardiac Risk		£60.00		01/04/2019
12	01/04/2019	01/04/2019	Mrs A Beasey Medical Det Dogs		£ 60.00		01/04/2019
13	23/05/2019	23/05/2019	Liquid Amber		£ 960.00		23/05/2019
14	21/05/2019	21/05/2019	JC Agriculture		£ 1,338.00		21/05/2019