

Minutes of the Offley Parish Council Meeting

Incorporating Offley – Cockernhoe – Tea Green – Mangrove Green

Wednesday 4th November 2020 7.30pm

Due to the Government restrictions this meeting was Virtual and held via Zoom

Present: Cllr. Ms A. Balfour Lynn (Chairman)
Cllr. Mrs B. Dyer
Cllr. A. Forsyth
Cllr. Mrs S Miller

In attendance: Members of the Public
David Sample – Clerk

Minutes

1	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Cllr Barnard, Cllr Frost, Cllr Strong , Cllr Roberts, Cllr Piepenstock	
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.	ALL
3	APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING It was proposed and resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 7th October 2020 are approved as an accurate record of the meeting. <i>The minutes were approved.</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> The Chairman reported that due to work commitments brought on by the new Covid-19 restrictions the discussion and presentations to appoint two new councillors for the Cockernhoe Ward was postponed until the December meeting	
6	<u>URGENT ITEMS</u>	
7	<u>Public Questions</u>	
8	<u>HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL</u> No report this meeting	DB
9	<u>NORTH HERTS DISTRICT</u> No report this meeting	CS/FF
10	<u>PLANNING</u>	Clerk
10.1	20/01966/FPH at 2 Garden Fields	
10.2	20/02016/LBC at 5 Westbury Farm Close Offley	
10.3	20/02052/FPH at The Old Water Tower Mangrove Road No objections	
	<u>Other planning applications</u>	No appeal
10.4	20/00701/FP at Site of Former 15 Luton Road	
10.5	20/00594/OP at School House Offley	On going
10.6	20/00594/OP West Lane Development Awaiting New Eco Plans	
10.7	Local Plan – Dates have now been set to resume the public hearings	
10.8	LLAP – A new paper has been circulated.	
11	<u>FINANCE</u>	RFO
11.1	Report on Payments and Income – see below	
11.2	The clerk reported that he would circulate his draft budget for 2020/2021	

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11.3	S137 Applications The clerk asked for agreement to proceed with applications. It was requested that the ORC supply a set of accounts before any funds were released. Offley PCC – Parish Pantry initiative £500.00 Offley PCC – Church Yard initiative £1500.00	
12	<u>CURRENT PROJECTS</u> OFFLEY	
12.1	OFFLEY RECREATION CENTRE (ORC) Request receive for funding support towards the new kitchen being installed. See item 11.3	Clerk
12.2	Offley Green (Village Green) Ongoing project.	
12.4	<u>COCKERNHOE - MANGROVE - TEA GREEN</u>	
12.4.1	Dancote Development - This project now on hold.	
12.4.2	Mangrove Road – Ongoing project.	
12.4.3	Dormer Glade – On going discussion	
12.5	<u>GENERAL</u>	Clerk
12.5.1	Police Report – Published in the Village Voice	
12.5.2	Community Library – in the Green Man. Now closed for lockdown	
12.5.3	Councillor Vacancy. This has been postponed until the December meeting. See Chairman’s report above	
13	<u>HERTS Highways.</u>	CLERK
13.1	Mangrove Road. Ongoing project	
13.2	The A505 Offley off Slip The clerk reported that he had meet with Highways and discussed the possibility of additional signage on both the Off and On slips.	
13.3	Kings Walden Road from the Red Lion down to Hoo Farm entrance also needs better signage.	
14	RIGHTS OF WAY Look at the planning application regarding the footpath by the Red Lion and the church wall.	ABL
15	Parish Play Areas – during November the annual inspections will take place and the reports will be circulated.	CLERK
16	CLERKS REPORT Copy Date for the December/January issue of the village voice 15 th November 2020.. The clerk requested approval to purchase a new Shredder approx. £80.00 plus vat. This was approved by all present.	
17	ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA no requested	CLERK
18	DATE OF NEXT MEETING Wednesday 2nd December 2020 7.30pm. This will be another Zoom meeting – details to follow	
19	The zoom meeting closed at 8.45pm	

		October	Payments & Receipts for Authorisation			
	Transaction Date	Company	Nominal	Outgoing	Income	Payment Date
1	30/10/2020	Mrs M Fairbanks		£ 70.00		30/10/2020
2	30/10/2020	Mrs J Johnson		£ 70.00		30/10/2020
3	30/10/2020	Mr Louis Michaels		£ 20.00		30/10/2020

