

# Minutes of the Offley Parish Council Meeting

Incorporating Offley – Cockernhoe – Tea Green – Mangrove Green

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2022  
Cockernhoe Memorial Hall Start 7.30pm

Present: Cllr. N. Jay  
Cllr. Mrs P. Cowley  
Cllr. Mrs B. Dyer  
Cllr. Mrs C Gallagher  
Cllr. Mrs S Miller  
Cllr. R. Piepenstock  
Cllr. Mrs J. Willis

In attendance:  
Member of the Public  
David Sample – Clerk

## Minutes

1	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> Cllr Strong, Cllr. Barnard Cllr Frost , Cllr Patmore	
2	<b>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</b> Any Councillor required to make a declaration of interest in accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted in September 2021 must declare such interest at the start of the meeting.	ALL
3	<b><u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING</u></b> It was proposed and resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 7 <sup>th</sup> September 2022 are approved as an accurate record of the meeting. <i>The minutes were approved.</i>	
4	<b><u>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA</u></b>	CLERK
5	<b><u>CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</u></b> The Chairman introduced Aimee Flack from NHDC Aimee introduced herself and gave a brief outline on what she does and is trying to achieve.	
6	<b><u>URGENT ITEMS</u></b>	See below
7	<b><u>Public Questions</u></b>	
8	<b><u>HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY</u></b>	DB
9	<b><u>NORTH HERTS DISTRICT</u></b>	CS
10	<b><u>PLANNING</u></b>	Clerk
10.1	<b><u>15 LUTON ROAD now approved</u></b> <b><u>Other planning applications</u></b>	
10.2	<b>21/01399/FP</b> Land South of West Lane – Appeal still outstanding	
10.3	<b>22/02046/FP</b> Land South of West Lane – This matter was discussed in full detail and it was agreed the clerk would send in the Parish objections and comments	
10.4	<b>Local Plan</b> the Revised Local Plan was going before cabinet in the next few days. It was thought that it would be approved. This would not be good news for the developments west of Cockernhoe.	

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10.5	<b>London Luton Airport</b> The public enquiry called in by the Sec of State is due to start soon.	
11	<b><u>FINANCE</u></b>	
11.1	<b>Payments and Income</b> All payments are up to date.	RFO
11.2	<b>S137 Grant Applications</b> The PC had a presentation from <b>Lilley &amp; Offley Mums and Tots Group. And Cockernhoe Mums and Tots.</b> The PC awarded grants to both groups to cover their hall hire costs only. These grants will be paid directly into the hall (s) treasurers accounts	
12	<b><u>CURRENT PROJECTS</u></b>	
	<b><u>OFFLEY</u></b>	Clerk
12.1	<b>OFFLEY RECREATION CENTRE (ORC)</b>	
12.1.1	<b>Offley Green (Village Green)</b> work in progress	
12.1.2	<b>Speeding</b> through the Village Luton Road	
12.2	<b><u>COCKERNHOE – MANGROVE – TEA GREEN</u></b>	
12.2.1	<b>Dancote Development</b> – on hold pending the local plan outcome	
12.2.2	<b>Dormer Glade</b> – on hold pending the Local plan outcome.	Clerk
12.2.3	<b>Cockernhoe School Track – Work in progress</b>	
12.2.4	<b>Request to deregister a strip of village green is work in progress</b>	
12.2.5	<b>Elmtree Ave Verge damage.</b> a local resident has again raised the question about the damage to the grass verges at the entrance to Elmtree Ave. The PC would like to see Grass Crete and the clerk was asked to investigate with Highways if this would be possible.	
12.3	<b><u>GENERAL</u></b>	
12.3.1	<b>Police Report</b> – Published in the Village Voice	
12.3.2	<b>Police Surgeries</b> – The list for 2022 dates has been published	
12.3.3	<b>The Southern Rural Police Priorities Meeting</b>	
12.3.4	<b>Offley Oriental and Offley Stores.</b> The clerk gave an update on the	
12.3.5	<b>Planning Highways – New Committee being formed</b>	
12.3.6	<b>Offley Warm Hub</b> The Hub has got off to a good start at the ORC.	
13	<b><u>HERTS Highways.</u></b>	
13.1	<b>The A505 Offley off Slip</b>	CLERK
13.2	<b>Kings Walden Road to Offley Hoo.</b>	
13.3	<b>Harris Lane</b>	
14	<b>Rights of WAY (ROW)</b> The application to divert Footpath 12 is causing quite a stir within the village. The application has yet to be opened and allow a Public Consultation.	
15	<b><u>Clerks Report</u></b> The three Parish play areas will have their annual inspection during November.	CLERK
16	<b>Village Voice</b> – Copy Date for November will be 15 <sup>th</sup> October 2022 The Clerk reported that the PC had been granted £500.00 from Southern Rural Committee towards a new notice board.	
17	<b>ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA none requested</b>	CLERK
18	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b> Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2022 Offley Village Hall 7.30pm	
19	The meeting closed at 9.45pm	

	MONTH	Sep-22	Payments & Receipts for Authorisation			
	Transaction Date	Company	Nominal	Outgoing	Income	Payment Date
1	30/09/2022	Mrs M Fairbanks	5200	£ 70.00		30/09/2022
2	30/09/2022	Mrs J Johnson	5200	£ 70.00		30/09/2022
3	30/09/2022	Mrs V. Ruffett	5200	£ 30.00		30/09/2022
4	30/09/2022	G CRICK	5550	£ 60.00		30/09/2022
5	28/09/2022	Clerks Salary	2220	£ 1,545.40		28/09/2022
6	28/09/2022	Clerks Tax	2210	£ 386.40		
7	30/09/2022	Clerks Expenses	various	£ 119.96		30/09/2022
8	30/09/2022	Mrs A Beasey	litter	£ 120.00		30/09/2022
9	01/09/2022	JC AGRICULTURE	3929	£ 186.00		20/09/2022
10	30/09/2022	Mrs A Beasey	5200	£ 120.00		30/09/2022
11	01/09/2022	Parsonage Farm OVH CP		£ 100.00		01/09/2022
12	09/09/2022	NHDC Precept		<del>£</del>	£ 21,325.00	09/09/2022
13	22/09/2022	HAPTC Training		£ 30.00		
14	22/09/2022	SBK External Audit		£ 360.00		23/09/2022
15	26/09/2022	AJG Insurance		£ 2,236.56		26/09/2022