

Minutes of the Offley Parish Council Meeting

Incorporating Offley – Cockernhoe – Tea Green – Mangrove Green

Wednesday 4th January 2023
Offley Village Hall 7.30pm

Present: Cllr. N. Jay
Cllr. Mrs B. Dyer
Cllr. Mrs S Miller
Cllr. S. Patmore
Cllr. R. Piepenstock
Cllr. Mrs N. Roberts
Cllr. Mrs J. Willis

In attendance: Members of the Public
Cllr Mrs C. Strong
David Sample – Clerk

Minutes

1	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr Barnard, Cllr Gallagher Cllr Cowley	
2	DECLARATION OF INTEREST 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	<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING</u> It was proposed and resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 7 th December 2022 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>	CLERK
5	<u>CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</u> The Chair read out the summary from the meeting with Shaun Greaves Senior planning Officer re the EOL Housing Development. There has to be a Master Plan for the overall site presented and approved before any planning applications can go forward. There are still many outstanding questions going back several years that need to be addressed first – such as the Local Flood Lead answers not addressed before.	
6	<u>URGENT ITEMS</u> The clerk reported the passing of Mrs Angela Hillyard in December 2022. Mrs Hillyard is buried in the Offley Churchyard. Mrs Hillyard was the keeper of the archives for the parish. It was proposed and agreed that we should purchase a bench as a mark of our thanks to Mrs Hillyard.	See below
7	<u>Public Questions</u>	
8	<u>HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY</u> The County Councillor was not in attendance due to hospitalisation.	DB

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9	<u>NORTH HERTS DISTRICT</u> Cllr Strong reported that NHDC were experiencing a staff shortage hence the number of positions being advertised.	CS
10	<u>PLANNING</u>	
10.1	22/03235/FPH at 9 Luton Road Offley <u>Other planning applications</u>	Clerk
10.2	22/02904/FP at Land East and West Of Luton Road Cockernhoe	
10.3	21/01399/FP Land South of West Lane – Appeal still outstanding	
10.4	22/02046/FP Land South of West Lane	
10.5	Local Plan – The local plan was adopted London Luton Airport	
11	<u>FINANCE</u>	
11.1	Payments and Income All payments are up to date.	RFO
11.2	S137 Grant allocations The clerk reported that he had received a request from Offley Art Group to help with the hall rent during 2023. The PC supported the art group in 2022 and the request was unanimously granted for a period of 12 months.	
12	<u>CURRENT PROJECTS</u>	
12.1	<u>OFFLEY</u>	Clerk
12.1.1	OFFLEY RECREATION CENTRE (ORC) Offley Village Hall	
12.2	<u>COCKERNHOE – MANGROVE – TEA GREEN</u>	
12.2.1	Dancote Development – In discussion with the Land Valuer	
12.2.2	Dormer Glade – on hold.	
12.2.3	Cockernhoe School Track – Work in progress	
12.2.4	Request to deregister a strip of village green is work in progress	Clerk
12.2.5	Elmtree Ave Verge damage. 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	<u>GENERAL</u>	
12.3.1	Police Report – Published in the Village Voice	
12.3.2	Police Surgeries – Published in the Village Voice	
12.3.3	King Charles III Coronation – The clerk had yet to find a suitable coronation crown	
12.3.4	Offley Oriental and Offley Stores.	
12.3.5	Offley Warm Hub the Hub has got off to a good start at the ORC.	
12.3.6	CMH Warm Hub commences on Tuesday 24th January 2023	
13	<u>HERTS Highways.</u>	
13.1	The A505 Offley off Slip	CLERK
13.2	Kings Walden Road to Offley HOO. Cllr Barnard has offered to help with the funding.	
14	Rights of WAY (ROW) The applicant has requested a six month extension with settle as his own application for planning is incomplete	
15	<u>Clerks Report</u> Village Voice – Copy Date for February 2023 will be 15th January 2023	CLERK
16	Parish Play Areas – The inspection review has been received and any remedial work will be carried out in the coming months.	
17	ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA none requested	CLERK
18	DATE OF NEXT MEETING Wednesday 1 st February 2023 Cockernhoe Memorial Hall 7.30pm	

19	The meeting closed at 9.45pm	
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	MONTH		Payments & Receipts for Authorisation			
	Transaction Date	Company	Nominal	Outgoing	Income	Payment Date
1	23/12/2022	Mrs M Fairbanks	5200	£ 84.00		30/12/2023
2	23/12/2022	Mrs J Johnson	5200	£ 84.00		30/12/2023
3	23/12/2022	Mrs H. Ayres	5200	£ 36.00		30/12/2023
4	23/12/2022	G Crick	5550	£ 84.00		30/12/2023
5	23/12/2022	Clerks Salary	2220	£ 743.70		30/12/2023
6	23/10/2022	Clerks Tax	2210	£ 185.80		30/12/2023
7	30/12/2022	Clerks Expenses	various	£ 107.18		03/01/2023
8	23/12/2022	Mrs A Beasey		£ 150.00		30/12/2023
9	08/12/2022	OPCC		£ 1,500.00		08/12/2023
10	08/12/2022	Pantry		£ 500.00		08/12/2023
11	16/12/2022	Lyndy Piepenstock Warm Hub		£ 44.45		16/12/2023
12	16/12/2022	Roger Piepenstock Warm Hub		£ 57.74		16/12/2023
13	21/12/2023	NHDC Inspections		£ 150.00		03/01/2023
14	09/12/2022	HCF Grant Warm Hub		£ 2,000.00	£ 2,000.00	09/12/2022
15	30/12/2022	MJ Dilley		£ 300.00		30/12/2022