

Minutes of the Offley Parish Council Meeting

Incorporating Offley – Cockernhoe – Tea Green – Mangrove Green

Wednesday 10th May 2023

Offley Village Hall 7.30pm

Present: Cllr. N. Jay Chairman
 Cllr. Mrs B. Dyer
 Cllr. Mrs C. Gallagher
 Cllr. Mrs S Miller
 Cllr. R. Piepenstock
 Cllr. Mrs N. Roberts

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

Minutes

1	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr Frost ,Patmore, Cowley and Willis	
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 5 th April 2023 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> Cllr	CLERK
5	<u>CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</u>	
6	<u>URGENT ITEMS</u>	
7	<u>Public Questions</u> The lack of street lights was also raised and the clerk was asked to re-introduce the request for better lighting in Offley	
8	<u>HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY</u> - Cllr Barnard would be circulating his annual report	DB
9	<u>NORTH HERTS DISTRICT</u> - Cllr Strong circulated her report and gave an overview for the year.	CS
10	<u>PLANNING</u> <u>Other planning applications</u>	
10.1	22/03231/FP at Land North East Of Wandon End – Solar Farm	Clerk
10.2	22/02904/FP at Land East and West Of Luton Road Cockernhoe	
10.3	22/01657/FUL – LBC Two applications as the project covers into LBC area	
10.4	22/02064/FP Land South of West Lane – on going drama	
10.5	Local Plan – EOL	
11	<u>FINANCE</u>	
11.1	Payments and Income All payments are up to date.	RFO
11.2	The RFO/clerk presented the final YE trial balance sheet. This was accepted and approved.	
12	<u>CURRENT PROJECTS</u> OFFLEY	

12.1	OFFLEY RECREATION CENTRE (ORC)	Clerk
12.1.1	Offley Village Hall – Nothing to report	
12.2	<u>COCKERNHOE – MANGROVE – TEA GREEN</u>	
12.2.1	Dancote Development update given	
12.2.2	Cockernhoe School Track – The school have put out a circular to all parents and guardians that the track is becoming dangerous and caution needs to be taken at all times	Clerk
12.2.3	Request to deregister a strip of village green is work in progress We have received a draft agreement for the purchase of the strip. The wording was not acceptable to some of the councillors and a NEW committee to cover Planning and Highways was formed. This was to be headed by Cllr Piepenstock along with Cllr Jay. Mr M Cummins was invited to join the group as he has experience in this area.	
12.2.4	Elmtree Ave Verge damage. It was discussed and approved that the PC should investigate to the cost of installing Grass Crete.	
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	Offley Oriental Offley Stores The clerk gave an update. Offley Warm Hub. We are at the end of the warm Hub period. The group will continue as Warm Hub Drop in Centre.	
12.3.4		
12.3.5	Buses through the Village. The clerk has started a dialogue with ARRIVA to see how the bus service can be improved.	
13	<u>HERTS Highways.</u>	
13.1	Kings Walden Road to Offley HOO. Cllr Barnard confirmed that the order had been placed for the additional signage.	CLERK
14	Rights of WAY (ROW) Still waiting for the FP12 to go public.	
15	<u>Clerks Report</u> Village Voice – Copy Date for June 2023 will be 15 th May 2023 Safeguarding	CLERK
17	ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA none requested	CLERK
18	DATE OF NEXT MEETING Wednesday 7 th June 2023 Cockernhoe Memorial Hall 7.30pm	
19	The meeting closed at 9.15pm	

MONTH	Payments & Receipts for Authorisation				
Transaction Date	Company	Nominal	Outgoing	Income	Payment Date
28/04/2023	Mrs M Fairbanks	5200	£ 86.00		30/04/2023
28/04/2023	Mrs J Johnson	5200	£ 86.00		30/04/2023
28/04/2023	Mrs H Ayres	5200	£ 36.00		30/04/2023
28/04/2023	G Crick	5550	£ 86.00		30/04/2023
28/04/2023	Clerks Salary	2220	£ 1,367.70		30/04/2023
28/04/2023	Clerks Tax	2210	£ 341.80		30/04/2023
28/04/2023	EMPLOYERS NI	2211	£ 131.31		30/04/2023
28/04/2023	Clerks Expenses	various	£ 125.23		30/04/2023
06/04/2023	Precept			£21,325.00	30/04/2023
18/04/2023	L Piepenstock Warm Hub		£ 34.09		30/04/2023
31/05/2023	JC Agric		£ 888.00		

