

Minutes of the Offley Parish Council Meeting

Incorporating Offley – Cockernhoe – Tea Green – Mangrove Green

Wednesday 7th February 2024
Offley Village Hall 7.30pm

Present: Cllr. N. Jay Chairman
Cllr. Mrs B. Dyer
Cllr. Mrs P. Cowley
Cllr. Mrs C. Gallagher
Cllr. Mrs S Miller
Cllr. S. Patmore
Cllr. R. Piepenstock Vice Chair
Cllr. Mrs N. Roberts
Cllr. Mrs J Willis

In attendance: Cllr David Barnard
Cllr. Mrs C. Strong
Members of the Public
EOL Development Engagement Team
David Sample – Clerk

Minutes

1	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr Mrs F Frost	
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	APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING It was proposed and resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 10 th January 2024 are approved as an accurate record of the meeting. <i>The minutes were approved.</i>	
4	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA none	CLERK
5	CHAIRMAN'S REPORT Cllr Jay made a short presentation followed by questions from the public to the Development Engagement Team	
6	URGENT ITEMS	
7	Public Questions see above	
8	HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY Cllr Barnard made a short report	DB
9	NORTH HERTS COUNCIL Cllr Barnard made a short report	CS
10	PLANNING - NEW	
10.1	23/02837/FPH at 4 Stony Lane	
10.2	22/03231/FP (amended) at Land North East of Wandon End – Solar	Clerk
10.3	Other planning applications	
	23/01585/FP at The White Horse Tea Green	
10.4	Planning Applications - Ongoing	
	22/03231/FP at Land North East Of Wandon End – Solar Farm	
10.5	22/02904/FP at Land East and West Of Luton Road Cockernhoe	
10.6	Local Plan – EOL	
11	FINANCE	
11.1	Payments and Income All up to date	

11.2	Village Voice - The grant previously discussed and agreed was sanctioned	
11.3	SOCC – The local Cricket club were requesting support to replace the turf with Astro Turf Total cost was £5,000 and the council agreed £2000.00 support fund.	
12	<u>CURRENT PROJECTS</u>	
	<u>OFFLEY</u>	
12.1	Offley Recreation Centre (ORC)	Clerk
12.1.1	Offley Community Space – still thriving	
12.1.2	Offley Village Hall – AGM set for Wednesday 13th March	
12.1.3	Offley Riding Club –	
12.1.4	Church Clock – work in progress	
12.1.5	Offley Buses through the village. The clerk reported that he had again written to Arriva asking for a management meeting. Bim Afolami has also been copied in and written to asking for support.	Clerk
12.2	<u>COCKERNHOE – MANGROVE – TEA GREEN</u>	
12.2.1	Cockernhoe School Track – work in progress	
12.2.2	Dancote Development The clerk confirmed that the admin fees had all been received and all invoices paid.	
12.3	<u>GENERAL</u>	
12.3.1	Police Report – Published in the Village Voice	
12.3.2	Police Surgeries The clerk reported that he would again liase with PCSO Heather.	
12.3.3	Offley Oriental – The clerk confirmed that he had written to the managing agent regarding the condition of the site. It was also reported that the fence was blown down on 2 nd January across the public footpath. This was cleared by a local contractor as an emergency for health and safety reasons. An invoice for £300.00 has been sent to cover the Parish Council costs and expenses.	
13	Herts Highways – Cllr Barnard still pursuing Highways on the A505 accidents	
	Rights of WAY (ROW) Still waiting for the FP12 to go public.	
14	<u>Clerks Report</u>	
14.1	Village Voice – Copy Date for the March edition will be 15 th February 2024.	CLERK
15	ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA	CLERK
16	DATE OF NEXT MEETING Wednesday 6 th March 2024 Cockernhoe Memorial Hall 7.30pm	
17	The meeting closed at 9.30hrs	

MONTH	JANUARY	Payments & Receipts for Authorisation			
Transaction Date	Company	Nominal	Outgoing	Income	Payment Date
31/01/2024	Mrs M Fairbanks	5200	£ 84.00		31/01/2024
31/01/2024	Mrs J Johnson	5200	£ 84.00		31/01/2024
31/01/2024	Mrs H Ayres	5200	£ 36.00		31/01/2024
31/01/2024	G Crick	5550	£ 84.00		31/01/2024
26/01/2024	Clerks Salary	2220	£ 1,315.50		26/01/2024
26/01/2024	Clerks Tax	2210	£ 329.00		26/01/2024
26/01/2024	Employers NHI		£ 122.34		26/01/2024

31/01/2024	Clerks Expenses	various	£ 125.51		31/01/2024
15/01/2024	Warm Hub		£ 203.26		15/01/2024
22/01/2024	NHDC Dog Bins	2121889	£ 965.81		22/01/2024
22/01/2024	NHDC DOG BINS	2121885	£ 643.87		22/01/2024
22/01/2024	NHDC DOG BINS	2121897	£ 321.94		22/01/2024
22/01/2024	OVH - Art Group S137 Funding		£ 500.00		22/01/2024
01/01/2024	Andrews Business - GRASS	OFF	£ 300.00		25/01/2024