

West Hagbourne Parish Council



Minutes of West Hagbourne Parish Council Meeting

held at Hagbourne Village Hall on Wednesday 8th January 2020 at 7:30pm.

Present: Cllrs M. Butler, H. Lewis, M. Telford, O. Doogue, L. Beaumont, Mr. A. Wise (Clerk), Valerie Brownsword, Terry Pritchard and Robert Griffiths

	MB opened the meeting at 19:30 hrs.	
20/390 Apologies	Cllr S. Clarke and Cllr J. Murphy	
20/391 Declarations of personal and prejudicial interest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
20/392 Report on OCC and SODC activities	<p><u>OCC Report</u> – None received</p> <p><u>SODC Report</u> – I’m afraid I have very little to report for the District Council. Many of the motions that are being brought to council at present are more for the Government than our District for example the voting rights of 16 and 17-year old’s. However, there were two this month which called for investigation into merging South Oxfordshire and Vale and also to look into Unitary. I am sure that this will be pushed forward although although it has merits for the Vale who are in a sticky financial position, it has pros and cons for South Oxfordshire so we will have to wait and see - I suspect it will be used to increase Council Tax but we will see. I also have nothing to report on the Local Plan as this is still under a holding order from the Secretary of State but I am sure you are as interested as I to see what happens as I am concerned if the Local Plan is withdrawn it may have severe consequences for West Hagbourne with speculative development raising its head again.</p>	
20/393 Hear representations from members of the public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clerk reported back to the meeting that DT had confirmed by email that he had managed to re-paint the bus shelter and didn’t have any expenses to submit. The councillors would like to extend their thanks for David’s efforts. Clerk to write to County Councillor again re. issue of damaged footpath signage in parish and who is responsible. TP raised the issue of rubbish in York Road. Councillors asked that everyone is vigilant. Chair will draft a piece for the next newsletter highlighting this issue. 	AW MB
20/394 Approve the minutes of the meeting of 6 th November 2019	It was proposed by MB, seconded HL, that the minutes be signed as a true record. Carried nem con.	
20/395 Consider matters, not take elsewhere, arising from the minutes of the meeting of 6 th November 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All action items had been completed 	
20/396 Receive reports from Parish Councillors and the Clerk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clerk reported that he had managed to get the Grove Terrace Sign repaired Cllr Beaumont report that she had finally got a reply from Thames Water only for them to respond saying that there was no planned works for Brook Lane at present. The issue has been logged under Ref:1018236214. She will continue to monitor the situation in Brook lane and email Thames Water again if required. 	

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20/397 Financial matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approval of payments. It was MB proposed, HL seconded and carried nem con that the following invoices be paid: Parish Clerk's wages, expenses, PAYE, Village Hall Hire. Mr Tony Pritchard requested that the PC make this year's donation to the DVTG an ongoing commitment. It was proposed by MB, seconded MT that WHPC make a donation of £50 to DVTG in 2020/2021 and subsequent financial years. Current financial situation. AW presented the current financial situation – attachments 2 & 3. Clerk took the councillors line by line through the 2020/21 Budget and included the above donation before it was proposed by MB, seconded MT. It was proposed by MB, seconded MT that a precept of £7231:00 be requested from SODC. Clerk passed new account signing forms to new councillors LB and OD to sign in front of Chair in the Didcot Branch of Barclays Bank in addition to supplying 2 forms of ID. Chair's presence required as he will not just be signing to add to 2 new signatories but requesting the removal of ex-councillors from account as well. Councillor to agree mutually convenience time after new year holidays but before March Meeting. Once this process has been completed there will be 5 signatories on the account. 	LB/OD/MB
20/398 Planning since the meeting of 6 th November 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AW presented the current planning application situation – attachment 4 Councillors instructed Clerk to formally respond to planning application – P19/S4435/HH with NO OBJECTIONS 	AW
20/399 Highways and Transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highways – Chair to chase contact about completing planned works for Main Street including traffic signs that was agreed in site meeting last Autumn. Clerk reported that he had been notified by highways of a planned closure and diversion of the A417 from the 18-21 February, Clerk will ask webmaster to post on village website. Transport – Rep (TP) reported that he attended the 29th October 2019 PTR Meeting in Oxford where it was reported that the current timetable of the 94 service will remain unchanged for another 12 months. 	MB AW
20/400 Risk assessment	MB signed off appropriate parts on the current Risk Assessment Checklist. - attachment 5	
20/401 Chairman's Report for Newsletter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chair will send a report to Editor Sue Totterdell by the 15th of the month in time for the next edition of the Newsletter. 	
20/402 Respond to Communications as the Chairman may direct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	

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20/403 Attend to any other business at the Chairman's discretion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• VB asked councillors for a date for the annual village tidy up. It was agreed that this would be held on 28th March 2020. VB will request equipment from SODC on their website. An article will be written in time for the next edition of the newsletter advertising the event and requesting volunteers.• Clerk to respond to Village Association's email concerning the possibility of an additional noticeboard in the village by explaining the PC wanted to defer any decision until May's APM.	AW
20/404 Date of next meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wednesday 4 March 2020	
20/405 Meeting Closed	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• MB declared the meeting closed at 20:20 hrs.	

Signed:

Date:

Attachments:

1. Agenda
2. Financial Statements
3. Expenditure against Budget 2019-2020
4. Planning Applications
5. Risk Assessment
6. Draft 2020-2021 Budget