

Minutes of West Hagbourne Parish Council Meeting held by Zoom Video Conference on Tuesday 6 July 2021 at 7:30pm.

<u>Present</u>: Cllrs M. Butler, H. Lewis, M. Telford, O. Doogue, A.M. Simpson, Julie Freeland, Lillie Jamieson, Ian Leishman and Mr. A. Wise (Clerk)

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	 Highways first but once permission had been obtained would welcome any planting that they carried out. The chair also said he would write in his report for the next issue of the newsletter a reminder about overgrown bushes on footpaths and ask residents to prune back any overgrown growth so that it doesn't force walkers onto the road. He will also ask for volunteers to work with lan Leishman to get up working party to tackle the excess growth of hemlock in Moor Lane. 	МВ
21/543 Approve the minutes of the meeting of 05.05.2021	It was proposed by MB, seconded MT, that the minutes be signed as a true record. Carried nem con.	
21/544 Consider matters, not take elsewhere, arising from the minutes of the meeting of 05.05.2021	All action items had been completed	
21/545 Receive reports from Parish Councillors and the Clerk	 Broadband Update – HL reported that Open Reach had come back with a bill for £80K and also requested that more people in the village signed up for Fibre Broadband. HL is to write back to Craig at OCC and cc Jane Murphy in, to request further funding from OCC or else this isn't going to be financially viable with the number of vouchers claimed so far by West Hagbourne residents. Chair reported that the William Tyrrell Charitable Trust had made the following appointments: Valerie Brownsword Rachel Tozer June Little Michael Butler It was proposed by MB, seconded MT, that these appointments are approved. 	HL
21/546 Financial matters	 Approval of payments. It was proposed OD, seconded MB, and carried nem con that the following invoices be paid Parish Clerk's wages. expenses, PAYE, 123 reg, Sustrans, BGG Garden and Tree Care x 2, Square Wave, Lillie Jamieson, Microsoft Office 365 renewal. Current financial situation. AW presented the current financial situation – attachments 2 & 3. Clerk to chase Nursery for outstanding 2020/2021 Village Newsletter Advert Fee of £30:00. 	AW
21/547 Planning since the meeting of 05.05.2021	AW presented the current planning application situation – attachment 4.	
21/548 Highways and Transport	• None	
21/549 Risk assessment	MB signed off appropriate parts on the current Risk Assessment Checklist - attachment 5	
21/550 Chairman's Report for Newsletter	Chair will send a report to Editor Sue Totterdell before the end of the month in time for the next edition of the Village Newsletter.	



21/551 Respond to Communications as the Chairman may direct	• None	
21/552 Attend to any other business at the Chairman's discretion	• None	
21/553 Date of next meeting	 Wednesday 1 September 2021 in Hagbourne Village Hall Clerk to book small meeting room at Hagbourne Village Hall for the September and November 2021 Meetings 	AW
21/554 Meeting Closed	MB declared the meeting closed at 21:00 hrs.	

Signed: Date
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Attachments:

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

District Councillor's Report
Cllr Anne-Marie Simpson
West Hagbourne Parish Council
6 July 2021
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COVID

Regular testing and completing the vaccination programme remain part of the nation's long-term plan for living with COVID-19. The national situation is clearly moving from rules and roadmaps to personal responsibility and common sense, which makes our communications more challenging. So please do help us spread this testing message as well as encouraging people to take up the offer of a first vaccination.

More walk-in clinics will be available to those aged 18 or over for first dose vaccines:

- Iffley Road Sports Centre, Acer Nethercott Hall, Iffley Rd, Cowley, Oxford OX4 1EQ, Tuesday 6 July - Friday 9 July, 9.30am to 7.30pm. The last entry is at 7pm apart from Friday 9 July which closes at 6pm, last entry at 5.30pm. Enter via pedestrian walkway from Iffley Road, not from Jackdaw Lane.
- East Oxford Health Centre, Manzil Way, Cowley OX4 1GE on Saturday 10 July, 9am -5pm.



A further site at Mansfield College will be confirmed later this week. All the latest on walk-in clinics can be found at oxfordshireccg.nhs.uk

No appointment is necessary, and no proof of identity is required (although helpful) to allow people aged 18 or over to 'grab a jab.'

Local Plan 2035

The council has received notification that the Court of Appeal has refused permission for Bioabundance CIC to appeal the recent High Court decision related to the Local Plan 2035.

The appeal had come after the Community Interest Company's failed application for a judicial review against the Council's decision to adopt the Local Plan 2035. The application for a judicial review was refused by the High Court in April.

Oxfordshire 2050 Plan

The Oxfordshire 2050 Plan is a Joint Statutory Spatial Plan which once adopted will form part of the Development Plan for five councils in Oxfordshire (South Oxfordshire, Vale of the White Horse, Oxford City, Cherwell and West Oxfordshire). It will provide a long-term (30 years from 2020-2050) overarching and high-level spatial planning framework for Oxfordshire.

I joined the Oxfordshire 2050 Plan subgroup of the Growth Board in May 2020 I have seen the Plan change considerably for the better to respond to the climate emergency and environmental and ecological protection and recovery, thanks to input from current councillors and from other groups and residents that have been consulted through the 'Open Thought' engagement the Board created. The Oxfordshire 2050 Plan (Regulation 18) is on track to go to the five councils for approval this month, prior to a **10-week public consultation starting 30 July.**

This Plan is ambitious and exciting with important decisions to be made so please do take the time to respond to this consultation.

Oxfordshire Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Strategy

The timeline for the county council's roll-out of the Oxfordshire-wide Park and Charge scheme has been extended, and we now expect it to launch in our districts in late autumn or winter. This short delay is partly to ensure the newly launched pilot of the scheme in Bicester can go through sufficient real-world testing to ensure the best possible user experience.

Proposals for new Parliamentary constituency boundaries

The Boundary Commission for England (BCE) has published its initial proposals for new Parliamentary constituency boundaries and launched an eight-week consultation, which closes on 2 August 2021. People can comment on a range of issues such as where the proposed new boundary lines are to the names of the constituencies.

You can view the proposed changes for the south east on <u>the Boundary Commission website</u>. In particular, we would draw your attention to numbers 28 and 41-45 which detail proposals for Oxfordshire.



In summary, these include:

- increasing the number of constituencies in Oxfordshire from six to seven
- making relatively minor changes to the Henley and Oxford East constituencies
- significantly reconfiguring the Wantage constituency, which would become more compact. It
 would also be renamed Didcot and Wantage to reflect its two main population areas.
- allowing Oxford city centre to be configured together in Oxford West and Abingdon, which will be made more compact by transferring two northern wards to the Bicester constituency.
- a Bicester constituency containing the eastern half of Cherwell district (including the village of Kidlington), as well as extending west to include the town of Woodstock in West Oxfordshire
- a Banbury constituency that is now oriented south-westward, crossing the local authority boundary into West Oxfordshire, and would include the town of Chipping Norton.
- a Witney constituency comprising the remaining wards of West Oxfordshire.

Hiring out land: Covid-19 safety measures for landowners

It's important that landowners are up to date with the current Covid safety regulations for hiring out their land now that we've reached Step 3 of the government's roadmap out of lockdown. This includes parish councils, who must help ensure that the hirers of their land are fully aware of their roles and responsibilities under the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 and the current coronavirus regulations.

Event holders and landowners should get in touch with the SODC Licensing team as soon as possible about their planned activities to ensure they are managed in a Covid secure way.

Landowners should refer to the latest version of the <u>working safely sector guidance</u>, which includes 'visitor economy guidance' for fairgrounds, events and shows.

Guidance on all types of events and information about the Safety Advisory Group can be found on our websites, along with lots of other useful links and guidance:

South website

Landowners can also get advice for any events held on their land by emailing events@southandvale.gov.uk

Sewage Spills into Thames

Many of us have spent time by or on our rivers during lockdown and may be concerned about the level of sewage discharges into them throughout the year.



Individuals or the Parish Council can make a request for information on sewage discharges by Thames Water by emailing: EIR.Requests@thameswater.co.uk

You should narrow your request to a specific timeframe – e.g., 1 January 2021- 31 March 2021 - and request EDM spill data for a particular sewage treatment asset, e.g., Goring, Pangbourne, Didcot, Benson/Crowmarsh etc.

A request for information might therefore look like this:

"I would like to request EDM data on spills between 1 January 2021 and 30 June 2021 for Benson treatment works."

Thames Water will respond within 28 days with your information.