

## Minutes of the meeting of Sonning Common Parish Council held on Monday 19 November 2012 at 20.00 hrs in the Village Hall.

Present: Mr Kedge (Chairman); Mr Greenwood; Mr Fort; Mr Jones; Ms Noble; Mrs Phillips-Tilbury; Mr Rawlins and Mr Reynolds. Mr P Simms, Henley Standard and one other.

- 13/093 Apologies for absence: Mrs Lewis (vacation); Mrs Diwell (personal).
- 13/094 Declarations of Interests by Members on Agenda Items: None.
- 13/095 Public Question Time under Section 30 of Standing Orders: Mr Heron of Vortal Properties but not a resident asked to speak about a planning policy matter. It was resolved to suspend Standing Order 30 to allow him to speak for five minutes. Mr Heron made a number of comments about housing allocations after which Standing Order 30 was reinstated and the meeting proceeded.
- 13/096 Police Report: PCSO Colin Boyes briefed the meeting on items in his previously circulated report. He noted a request for more action to reduce on-pavement parking and was positive in support of the use of CCTV around the Village Hall (item 13/102 refers). Mr Kedge said how much the village appreciated PCSO Boyes' efforts and dedication which was warmly applauded.
- 13/097 Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 8 October 2012 were presented and ratified.
- 13/098 Minutes of previous meetings:  
098.01 Planning Committees held on 8 and 22 October and 5 November 2012 were presented and approved.  
098.02 Parish Council meeting held on 15 October 2012 presented and approved.
- 13/099 County Councillor's Report: Councillor Viney advised of confirmation by the Area Steward that the long awaited yellow lines are imminent. A number of points were raised about the real problems caused by closure along any of the proposed routes for the 2013 Henley Triathlon which Councillor Viney agreed to take these up with OCC and report back; also agreed to pursue questions about speed controls on the B481 and the flooded ditch outside the allotments site. Mr Kedge thanked Mrs Viney for her continuing hard work for the village which was applauded.
- 13/100 District Councillor's Report: Councillor Harrison described changes now being suggested by the Boundary Commission to replace SODC's proposal for Sonning Common to be a Ward with one District Councillor with one that would link Sonning Common with Shiplake and all areas between represented by two Councillors. This raised considerable concerns among members and it was resolved to debate the matter at the next meeting whilst reminding everyone of the need to register objections before 7 January 2013.
- 13/101 Parish Clerk's Report – Noted.
- 13/102 CCTV: Mr Jones described how options to provide a CCTV recording capability over the car park and at the three play areas had been evaluated to arrive at a view that the focus should just be on the Village Hall and car park for deterrence and to assist the police in reducing antisocial behaviour and petty vandalism. Mr Jones described how access to recorded images would only occur on demand after an event. After a lively discussion it was resolved that Mr Jones and Parish Clerk should take the matter forward with a budget maximum of £600 to purchase and install the equipment.
- 13/103 Allotment improvements: The meeting reviewed the additional projects proposed to enclose the site with deer and rabbit proof fencing and to improve the drainage of the car park. With work already approved total expenditure will be to around £16,000. It was resolved to approve the transfer of £12,500 from reserves for this work.
- 13/104 Village Gardeners: It was resolved approve of a grant of £500 to the Sonning Common Village Gardeners as recommended by Finance Committee (F13/071.3).
- 13/105 Sonning Common Magazine: It was resolved that the Parish Council should publish and distribute to all electors at least six issues of a newsletter annually by means of taking a full page over which the PC has editorial control in each issue of the SC Magazine for an annual cost of £1,103 to start with the February 2013 issue.
- 13/106 2013 Meeting Dates: The dates circulated by Parish Clerk were approved to be published.

- 13/107 Rollerpark progress: Mr Kedge advised that progress is being made towards the issue of Invitations to Tender. The possible need for lighting at the site was discussed and remains open for consideration.
- 13/108 Parish Council Representative on the Health Centre's On Your Bike organizing committee. Mr Fort was nominated and, with his agreement, appointed.
- 13/109 Matters for future consideration:
  - Formal response to the Boundary Commission Proposals.
  - Nominating a member to replace Mr Stoves on the Rollerpark Group.
  - OneStop car park condition
  - Budget for 2013/14
  - Logo for the Parish Council

The meeting closed at 21.35

The next Meeting will be on Monday 17 December 2012 at 20.00.

Chairman: ..... Dated: .....