

Sonning Common Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Sonning Common Parish Council held on Monday 17 December 2018 in the Village Hall.

Present: Mrs Lewis (Chairman); Mrs Diwell; Mr Fort; Mrs Godfrey; Mr Greenwood; Mr Howe; Mr Kedge; Mr Rawlins; Mr Rinta-Suksi and Mr Stoves. Also: Mr Collings (Parish Clerk), Mrs Varnes (Deputy Parish Clerk) and Mr Fithen (Henley Standard) and Mrs Diana Pearman.

19/103 Apologies for absence- none. Declarations of interests – none.

19/104 Public Question Time: None.

19/105 Police Matters – nothing received this month.

19/106 Minutes of previous meetings:

106.01 Finance Committee held on 5 December 2018 - presented and approved.

106.02 Planning Committees held on 5 November and 3 December 2018 - presented and approved.

106.03 Parish Council meeting held on 19 November 2018 presented and approved.

19/107 County Councillor's Report – Cllr Bartholomew's report was as circulated by email.

19/108 District Councillor's Report – Cllr Harrison's report was as circulated by email.

19/109 Parish Clerk's Report – noted.

19/110 Memorial Hall Field Working Party (MHFWP). Mrs Pearman updated the meeting with progress made and that at last the transfer seems imminent. Once that has happened, we can apply for Planning Permission for the ground works. The meeting thanked Mrs Pearman for her work and time taken in chairing the Working Party.

19/111 Village Centre Working Party (VCWP) – still trying to find a suitable architect/designer to help to progress.

19/112 Environment Working Party – Mr Stoves confirmed that all the planned tree planting has been done and further plans will be made in 2019.

19/113 Neighbourhood Plan Revision – Mr Fort advised that information about all potential sites has been received and the team is working on preparation for a public display on 2 February.

19/114 Mr Kedge proposed that the parish council should purchase and install a public access defibrillator in the village centre subject to there being enough volunteers to be trained to use it. It was resolved to decide on this in February.

19/115 It was resolved to authorise the purchase and bringing into use of a lockup garage in Brinds Close for a total cost of up to £19.5K.

19/116 Budget and Precept – the Parish Clerk presented a paper setting out the basis for setting the Precept on 21 January. Members to comment directly in the meantime.

19/117 It was resolved to confirm acceptance of circulated dates for 2019.

19/118 Matters for future agendas – the Essex Way footpath from Lea Meadow.

Meeting closed at 21.30

Next meeting: Monday 21 January 2019 at 20.00.

Chairman:

Dated: