

# Minutes of the Meeting of Sonning Common Parish Council

Held on Monday 16 December 2019 at 20.00 hrs in the Village Hall.

Present: Mrs Lewis (Chairman); Ms Boorman; Mrs Diwell; Mr Fort; Mr Giles; Mr Howe; Mr Kedge; Mr Rawlins; Mr Shanagher and Mr Stoves plus Mr Collings (Parish Clerk), Mr Fithen (Henley Standard) and Mrs Varnes and Mrs Jenkins (Deputy Clerks)

- 20/121 Apologies for absence: Mr Jones. Absent: Mr Coombs. No declarations.
- 20/122 Public Question Time under Section 30 of Standing Orders. None present.
- 20/123 Police Matters: Nothing to consider.
- 20/124 Minutes of the following meetings were all presented and approved:
- 124.01 Finance Committees held on 6 November and 4 December 2019.
  - 124.02 Planning Committees held on 18 November & 2 December 2019.
  - 124.03 Parish Council meeting held on 18 November 2019.
- 20/125 County Councillor's Report – Cllr Bartholomew reviewed his emailed report and suggested that J Howell MP should be invited to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Bridge meeting in January and this was agreed. Updates awaited on 33/35 Peppard Rd and Angel Steps.
- 20/126 District Councillor's Report – Cllr Rawlins advised that the matter of major grants being denied to SCPC as we are a minor grant making body still has to be resolved.
- 20/127 Parish Clerk's Report – noted with reminder that Allotment rentals will be raised next year.
- 20/128 Memorial Hall Field Working Party (MHFWP) update – it was noted that the Planning Committee had supported the groundworks application.
- 20/129 Village Centre Working Party (VCWP) – Mr Howe advised that revised fee proposals from PBA are awaited for discussion. There are some concerns about drainage in Wood Lane and Woodlands Road.
- 20/130 Environment Working Party – it was resolved to defer deciding about the Widmore Pond repairs until the grants situation has been resolved. Mr Stoves will be arranging for members to 'walk our woodlands' in the next months. Woodlands Trust to be questioned about safety inspections.
- 20/131 NDP II preparation – Mr Fort advised that there is to be a public meeting on 25 January to refine the list of sites.
- 20/132 Plastic Free Communities WP – Ms Boorman advised of progress in contacting businesses and that an event is planned for 8 February with the WI. It may be possible to link with the annual litter pick.
- 20/133 Website – Mr Shanagher advised that two options will be ready for consideration in Jan/Feb.
- 20/134 Budget and Precept 2020/21 – it was resolved to override Standing Orders to allow for the budget and precept to be discussed and agreed on 20 January.
- 20/135 Matters for future agendas – Budget & Precept; Transfer of Kidmore End Hall.
- Meeting closed at 21.04. Next meeting: Monday 20 January 2020 at 20.00.

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