

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Sonning Common Parish Council held on Friday 5 February 2021 at 11.00 hrs by video conference.

Present: Mrs Lewis (Chairman); Mr Cann; Mrs Diwell; Mr Fort; Mr Giles; Mr Howe; Mr Kedge; Mr Rawlins and Mr Stoves. Also Mr Collings (Parish Clerk), Mrs Jenkins (Deputy Clerk) and Ms Harland (Henley Standard).

21/228 Apologies for absence: Ms Boorman and Mr Jones.

21/229 Mr Fort explained that the developers proposing to build 133 apartments on the Little Sparrows field, having had Planning Permission refused by SODC, are mounting an appeal which will take place in April. In the view of the NDPWP it is essential for SCPC to have Rule 6 status which requires the employment of a Barrister as well as the specialist advisers already identified. Total cost could be around £30,000. The SCPC case will be supported by local publicity and a Crowdfunding campaign. It was resolved unanimously to commit £30,000 to fund the legal costs of full Rule 6 representation at the appeal.

21/230 Contract with Sport and Play - because of delays in preparing the contract it was resolved to defer this item until ready.

Meeting closed at 11.40. Next meeting: Monday 15 February 2021 at 20.00.

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