

Minutes of the Meeting of Sonning Common Parish Council held on Monday 20 December 2021 in the Village Hall.

Present: Mr Cann (Chairman), Mr Bidgood, Ms Boorman, Mrs Diwell, Mrs Lewis, Mr Jones, Mrs Pearman, Mr Rawlins, Mr Settle and Mr Stoves with Mr Collings (Parish Clerk), Cllr D Bartholomew, Ms G Harland (Henley Standard).

- 22/103 Apologies for absence and declarations of interests: Mr Howe. No declarations
- 22/104 Public Question Time: none present.
- 22/105 Minutes of the following meetings were presented and approved with comments as noted:
- 105.01 Planning Committee held on 15 November and 6 December 2021.
 - 105.02 Parish Council meeting held on 15 November 2021.
 - 105.03 Parks & Recreation Committee on 13 December 2021.
 - 105.04 Village Centre & Environment Committee held on 22 November 2021 – Mr Stoves wished it to be known that he did not abstain but voted against the 20mph proposal – minute VECE 21/073.
 - 105.05 Finance Committee held on 10 November 2021.
- 22/106 County Councillor’s Report - Cllr Bartholomew commented on his emailed report and advised that work on the Widmore Triangle is to take place in January.
- 22/107 District Councillor’s Report - Cllr Rawlins’ emailed report was noted.
- 22/108 Parish Clerk’s Report – noted.
- 22/109 Meeting dates for 2022/23 – agreed with a request to show Bank Holidays in future.
- 22/110 SCPC Logo – Mr Bidgood present the proposed design which was approved with one abstention.
- 22/111 Scout Hut Management Committee – it was resolved that Mrs Lewis should replace Mr Fort as the Parish representative.
- 22/112 Inspired Villages situation – given that a Judicial Review has been denied and serious concerns at the anti-democratic nature of the appeal decision it was agreed that the focus now should be on demanding that all of the £7.5m S106 contribution for Affordable Housing should be directed to the parish area. It was agreed that SCPC should write to to the Chair of Natural England and to the Secretary of State for Housing etc to complain about the position. Planning Committee to develop a plan for use of these funds.
- 22/113 Review of the draft budget for 2022/23 and years thereafter and Precept for 2022/23 was deferred. A list of activities was distributed.
- 22/114 Matters for future agendas.
- 22/115 Staff matters – item excluding Press and Public – item deferred.
- Meeting closed at 20.45. Next meeting: Monday 17 January 2022 at 20.00.

Chairman: Dated: