

Minutes of the Meeting of Sonning Common Parish Council held on Monday 24 April 2023 in the Village Hall

Present: Mr Stoves (Chairman), Mr Bidgood, Mrs Diwell, Mr Howe, Mrs Lewis, Mr Rawlins, Mr Robinson, Mr Scannell and Mr Collings (Parish Clerk) plus Cllr D Bartholomew, Mr N Varnham and Mrs S McLellan.

- 24/001 Apologies for absence: Ms Boorman and Mr James. No declarations.
- 24/002 Public Question Time – no questions. It was noted that sincere thanks are due to all who organised and took part in the very successful SOCO Spring Clean – in particular Emma Lawrence, Geoff Davis, the WI and our staff.
- 24/003 Minutes of the following meetings were presented and approved:
 - 133.01 Planning Committee held on 13 and 27 March.
 - 133.02 Parish Council held on 13 March.
 - 133.03 Finance Committee held on 13 and 29 March.
- 24/004 County Councillor’s Report – as circulated.
- 24/005 District Councillor’s Report – as circulated.
- 24/006 The Annual Governance Statement for 2022/23 was reviewed and approved.
- 24/007 Village Centre Working Party – it was resolved to approve proposals:
 - a) That the parish council purchase a refurbished phone box for community use at a net cost to parish funds of up to £475.00.
 - b) That the parish council agree to siting phone box on SCPC land in front of the Village Hall and apply to SODC Planning for guidance via a pre-application with a cost of approximately £150.00.
- 24/008 Memorial Park Working Party report as circulated. Members asked to note the plan for the picnic event to be held at MP on 10 June.
- 24/009 Cycleway update from Mr Bidgood - to date over 800 responses to the survey which will continue to the end of April.
- 24/010 Parish Clerk’s Report – noted.
- 24/011 SC Youth Club – thanks were expressed for the CECA donation of £400.
- 24/012 To review progress towards signing up to the national Civility and Respect Pledge – training event still to be scheduled.
- 24/013 Matters for future agendas – the 10 June event at MP.

Next meeting: The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council on 15 May 2023.

Chairman:

Dated: