

Minutes of Charlton On Otmoor Parish Council

Meeting 3rd October 2019

Present: Bryn Walker – Chairman, Samantha Hatwell – Clerk.

Councillors: Lynn Roberts, Jack Pearson, Terry Pollard, Dawn Channon, Colin Thompson.

1. Apologies: Donna Han.

2. Declaration of Interests: Cllr Pollard – OXCAM. Bryn Walker – Playing field/ground.

3. Public Comments & Notices: Patsy Parsons from Kidlington & District Community Forum left some leaflets for us to peruse and nominate a councillor to attend the meetings.

4. Approval of the minutes from the meeting held on 5th September 2019 – The minutes were signed as a true record of the meeting and signed by the chairman.

5. Matters arising from the meeting held on 5th September 2019.

- a) **Solar hazard lights/rumble strips** – The clerk had received an email from Oxfordshire County Council after Cllr Dan Sames had intervened, that stated that the rumble strips and hazard signs will be assessed and a cost put together.
- b) **New Parish Website** – Cllr Channon noted that the member was unable to attend the meeting and will re-invite her to the next meeting.

6. School –

- a) **Percy Collett room** – The clerk reported that the new headteacher had sent his apologies and would not be attending our meeting tonight.

7. Community Hall Committee – The clerk reported that Christine Herbert had sent her apologies and would not be attending our meeting tonight but would look to attend the next one.

8. OXCAM – Cllr Pollard reported that a presentation is being put together to be used at a meeting which will include a guest speaker. A date has not yet been set.

9. Playing field and ground – Cllr Walker would like to set up a sub-committee with the football club. A decision will be made at the next meeting on who will attend.

The Rospa report noted that: a) rust has been seen on the slide and stated that it should be monitored b) the bolts on the under side of the table and bench need to be cut off and made smooth. Cllr Pearson will action.

10. Finance

a) **Payments to be approved** – Clerk – remuneration for October – The payment was approved and a cheque was signed.

The clerk reported that an invoice had been received from Cherwell District Council for the dog bin emptying, it included an administration charge of 10% which was not on previous invoices. The clerk will contact them for clarification.

11. Burial Grounds

New: The price increase that was previously agreed by the council will be put up on the notice boards and website.

Old: Cllr Pollard reported that he saw a small crack in the boundary wall which runs alongside the Fencott Road. It was decided that Cllr Pollard will monitor it.

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12.Planning – New Cottage, Church Lane – Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of two storey rear extension – No objections were made, but Cllrs Pollard and Thompson raised the issue of the windows being replaced with UVPC and not like for like as the property is in the conservation area.

Councillor David Hughes arrived at 8.20pm.

13.Allotments – Spring fed hole – After much discussion it was decided not to go ahead with the quotes for the clearing of the hole. It was agreed to accept the quote from Thames Water for the excavation and connection and infrastructure at a cost of £680.00. This does not include the laying of the water pipe which will cost approximately £220 a meter plus the connection charge. In the first instance the clerk will contact Thames Water before the quote expires.

Cllr Hughes suggested we apply for a grant from OCC and also Thames Water.

Cllrs Channon, Pearson and the clerk will set up a sub-committee to arrange for an application to be put in.

14.Environment/Climate – Cllr Thompson reported that he will be attending a Conservation Group meeting next week.

15.Items for further discussion: Cllr Channon reported that the Otmoor Review AGM is coming up soon and that they will be looking for two new editors. If new editors could not be found there is a danger the Review will cease to be published.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.50pm. The next meeting will be held on the 7th November 2019 in the Percy Collett room of the Community Hall to commence at 7.30pm.



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7th November 2019

Bryn Walker – chairman.