

Minutes of Charlton On Othmoor Parish Council Meeting held on 11th January 2024 in the Percy Collet room of the Community Hall at 7.30pm

Present:- Chairman Bryn Walker, Councillors: D Channon, C Thompson, J Pearson, J Hudson.
Clerk - S Hatwell.

1. Apologies: Cllrs; T Pollard & L Roberts.
2. Declaration of Interests - None given.
3. Public Session - No public were present.
4. Approval of the minutes from the meeting held on 7th December 2023 in the Percy Collet room of the Community Hall. Adjustments were made and signed by the chairman. It was then RESOLVED to accept the minutes as a true representation of the meeting.
5. Matters arising from the meeting held on 7th December 2023.
 - a) Verge alongside the old cemetery - The clerk sent an email to the Highways Agency to request that the area should be laid to tarmac.
 - b) Sycamore Tree - Cllr Channon has taken pictures of the overhanging offending branches. The clerk will apply for permission to get them lopped off.
 - c) Hedgehog signs - It was RESOLVED not to purchase signs.
6. Road safety/speeding - The Parish Council responded to a letter received from a concerned parent about speeding through the village, specially past the school. The Parish Council have also contacted Thames Valley Police to enquire about setting up a Community Speed Watch. The clerk will contact the school to see if any parents would be interested in the training by TVP to get the scheme up and running.
7. Burial Grounds - NEW; It was noted that the flood water was exceptionally high this year. It was agreed by the Parish Council to get some advice about drainage. OLD; Nothing to report.
8. Playground/Field - Cllr Hudson read out a report received from the Playground group; the bank statements have been sorted and the second phase should be submitted by the 31/1/24 with a decision on the grant being accepted by March 2024.
9. Payments for approval - S Hatwell - pay for January 2024.
10. Planning: - a) 24/00005/F - 12 Mill Close - Remove side store area & outbuildings. Erect new two storey side & part rear extension (resubmission of 23/00676/F). b) 23/03540/F - Daisies, High Street - Existing single storey extension to be demolished and replaced with 2 storey rear extension with internal refurbishments & level access. (resubmission of 23/01573/F). c) 23/03402/TCA Halton House, works to trees has been permitted. d) 23/02820/F - 1 Mill Close, 2 storey side extension - permitted.
11. Environment/Climate - Cllr Thompson reported that all new developments now have to take into account bio-diversity when making plans. The Parish Council noted that the rain had caused major flooding throughout the Othmoor villages with roads being closed and some houses being flooded.

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12. Dates for future meetings; Dates were agreed. The clerk will circulate to all councillors and publish them on the Parish Council website.

13. Items for further discussion; Cllr Roberts reported through Cllr Channon that she noticed on the Community Facebook page that residents were becoming very frustrated with irresponsible dog owners not picking up their dog's mess. The Parish Council will discuss the issue further at the next meeting.

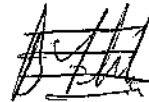
The parish council would once again thank Dave Channon for clearing out all the french drains.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40pm. The next meeting will take place on the 8th February 2024 at 7.30pm in the Percy Collet room of the Community Hall.



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Bryn Walker - Chairman.

Date:



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