

WILCOT and HUIISH (with OARE) PARISH COUNCIL

Local Government Act 1972

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council Oare Village Hall,
Tuesday 27th November 2018 - at 7.30 pm**

**Present: Councillors: Mrs D Nix (Chair) Mr C Bartlett, Mrs N. Fleet, Mr R. Fleet, Ms P Smith
County Councillor: Mr P Oatway (to 20.30)**

Reference	Item
18/91	To receive apologies for absence Apologies received and accepted from Cllr D Wilson and Mrs R Kinderman (prospective Clerk).
18/92	To receive declarations of interest Cllr Bartlett – items 100.7 & 101.1
18/93	To agree the minutes of the meeting of 11 September 2018 Resolved: to approve, and sign as a true record, the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 11 September 2018. Proposed: Cllr RF; Seconded: Cllr PS; All in favour. <u>NF to arrange to review expense invoices for last 4 years & complete form to reclaim VAT</u>
18/94	Chair's Announcements None
18/95	Public question time No questions.
18/96	Planning Applications and Enforcement To review and provide feedback on new planning applications from Wiltshire Council (Town and Country Planning Act 1980, schedule 1, para 8) Application Ref: 18/07897/LBC AND Application Ref: 18/07795/FUL Application for Listed Building Consent Proposal: Attachment of an external passenger lift to the two-storey south wing of Oare House, Rudge Lane, Oare. Nigel Keen (architect) kindly attended to answer questions about the proposed works. No objections. 18/10632/TCA and TPO 48 Wilcot Reduce Trees No objections. Councillors commented that the map with the application was very poor. Proposed: Cllr CB; Seconded: Cllr PS; All in favour. <u>Clerk to complete feedback to planning</u>
18/97	To discuss the WALC Employment Survey Resolved: that we opt in to WALCs offer of HR advice for additional 4% of the subscription fee (circa £12). Proposed: Cllr RF; Seconded: Cllr PS; All in favour. <u>Clerk to confirm to WALC.</u>
18/98	To discuss the Parish joining the Pewsey Vale Tourism Group Although there are very few businesses in our parishes that benefit from tourism, it could be beneficial if we can represent our residents' interests to the group. <u>Clerk to find out more about membership of the group and add to agenda for next meeting.</u>
18/99	To review grant application by Oare Village Hall Oare village hall is currently undergoing refurbishment costing in excess of £20,000. Resolved: to donate £1500 towards these costs. Proposed: Cllr RF; Seconded: Cllr CB; All in favour. <u>Clerk/NF to organise payment to Oare VH</u>

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18/100	<p>Budget and monitoring report</p> <p>100.1 - Resolved: To authorise payment of £48 to external auditors. Proposed: Cllr CB; Seconded: Cllr PS; All in favour. <u>Clerk/NF to make payment to PKF</u></p> <p>100.2 - Resolved: To allocate increased funds for Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) to cover maintenance of one device & purchase of a second. Proposed: Cllr RF; Seconded: Cllr NF; All in favour. <u>Clerk to confirm support for SID.</u></p> <p>100.3 - Resolved: to accept the budget and monitoring report 2018-19. Proposed: Cllr DN; Seconded: Cllr PS; All in favour.</p> <p>100.4 - Resolved: To set a neutral budget for 2019-2020 (no increase in the precept). Proposed: Cllr CB; Seconded: Cllr PS; All in favour. <u>Cllr NF to complete precept application to Wiltshire Council</u></p> <p>100.5 – Resolved: To budget for the one-off cost of around £700 to restore an unadopted drainage ditch in Huish (which causes flooding) to the point where the Parish Steward can continue to maintain it. Proposed: Cllr DN; Seconded: Cllr RF; All in favour. <u>Clerk to arrange for work to be carried out.</u></p> <p>100.6 – Resolved: To contribute £100 to the Raizer Chair project for the community. Proposed: Cllr RF; Seconded: Cllr NF; All in favour <u>Clerk/NF to arrange payment</u></p> <p>100.7 - Resolved: To allocate an estimated £200 for additional server space of 100GB for the local history project. To be included in the 2019-20 budget forecast. Proposed: Cllr DN; Seconded: Cllr PS; All in favour <u>Cllr CB to organise additional server storage</u></p> <p>100.8 – Parish Council has obtained 4 quotes for works to protect the trees along the lane between Wilcot Bridge & Cannings Cottage. However, our County Councillor has spoken to Highways who have suggested they would be willing to support options of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installing wooden stakes along the road to limit parking; and • Enacting an order to make the lane a clearway, restricting parking, which would be enforced by County Council. <p>The clearway could potentially include the dangerous areas close to Wilcot bridge where parking has also become a problem more recently. It is suggested that we approach CATG for funding to implement these options – however we need more information from Highways about exactly what they will need from us. We also need to keep any affected residents & landowners informed. Resolved: Clerk/Chair to contact County Council & Highways to clarify exactly what our options are, and what our next steps should be. <u>Clerk/DN to contact CC/Highways for more info/way forward</u></p> <p>100.9 - Oare and Huish noticeboards are in a poor state of repair and need replacing – however the quote received is prohibitively expensive. Resolved to obtain further quotes for suitable boards and add to next agenda. <u>Clerk to obtain quotes & add item to agenda</u></p> <p>100.10 – Discussed suggestions for signs warning motorists of children playing in road by Oare school, and flood warnings for Huish and Draycot Cross Roads. These were felt to be a matter for Highways. <u>Clerk to contact Highways.</u></p>
18/101	<p>Project updates</p> <p>101.1 Update on canal works in Wilcot – see 100.8 DN fed back on Canals & Rivers Trust (CRT) meeting attended recently. CRT have taken on new people, but their focus still seems to be on their customers rather than the communities they affect. She has made new contacts and feels that they may be receptive to some of our issues.</p>

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	<p>Parish Council have had no contact with the CRT person responsible for monitoring the boats moored in the village, and the perception is that they are not doing a good job. Residents are increasingly reluctant to use the towpath because of litter from the boats, and because they feel uncomfortable around the boaters and their animals. Suggested that we ask CRT for a meeting with the person responsible for the monitoring to try and explain our concerns and establish communications.</p> <p>Whilst residents can continue to monitor boats and report to CRT, the new General Data Protection Regulation means the Parish Council cannot collect or hold data about individual boats. DN again stressed that, unless <u>everyone</u> affected by poor behaviour and rubbish reports it to CRT, they will continue to believe there isn't a problem.</p> <p>101.2 Update on War Memorial restoration Work will start on repairing the stonework at the base of the memorial in the spring. Thanks to Cllr PS for completing the grant application paperwork for the War Memorial's Trust. <u>NF to provide bank information to PS tomorrow so grant can be paid into the PC account.</u></p> <p>101.3 Adoption of the Greensward – Oare This is an area just off the A345 between Sunnyhill & Oare. Historically, it belongs to the village, but there are concerns it may become a target for vacant possession. Resolved: Parish Council to adopt the Greensward on behalf of Oare village. Proposed: Cllr CB; Seconded: Cllr RF; All in favour. <u>Clerk/DN to investigate obtaining title deeds & report back at next meeting.</u></p>
18/102	<p>Draycott Speeding The Clerk has been contacted about speeding vehicles along the road past Draycott. <u>Clerk/DN to contact Highways to see if they are able to suggest any remedial measures.</u></p>
18/103	<p>Obstructed rights of way - Wilcot The Clerk has received an email concerning the poor state of styles & footpaths round Wilcot. She has sent letters to all landowners regarding the ditches & footpaths. <u>Clerk to follow up and report back at next meeting.</u></p>
18/104	<p>To resolve recruitment of a new Clerk Mrs R Kinderman has applied to become our new Clerk. Resolved: To accept Mrs Kinderman as Clerk for a 6-month trial period. Proposed: Cllr PS; Seconded: Cllr DN; All in favour.</p>
18/105	<p>Clerk's Report See acting Clerk's action list. Correspondence has been received concerning a vehicle & wheelie bins causing a hazard on the A345 in Oare. <u>Clerk to contact Wiltshire Council.</u></p>
18/106	<p>Exchange of information None.</p>

Meeting closed at 22.10

Dates and times of next meetings

Type of meeting	Date	Location
Parish Council	22 January 2019	Wilcot village hall
Parish Council	26 March 2019	Oare village hall

Planning meetings will be held as required. All meetings will start at 19.30 unless otherwise

Signed: _____

Date: _____