CULHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council meeting duly convened and held on Monday 14th November 2016 at Culham Parochial C of E School

Present: Cllrs G. Gibbs (Chair), J. Thomas, A. Steele, A. Jones, and S. Casey-Rerhaye.

In attendance: L. Dalby (Clerk), County Cllr L. Lindsay-Gale, and one member of the public.

1. Public Participation
A member of the public raised concerns about the grass verge cutting in the village which did not take place until 25th September this year. Cllr Lindsay-Gale agreed to arrange a meeting with a Highways officer.
The member of the public also raised concerns that the gate to the hydro site is often left unlocked and the track is now being used by other river users. It was agreed that the council would monitor the site as the work finishes to ensure it is completed as per the planning permission.

2. Reports from County and District Councillors
The report from District Cllr S. Lawson was noted.
Cllr Lindsay-Gale agreed to report the poor state of road markings in the County and to find out if any further progress had been made regarding road safety at the European School. She also reported that the unitary authority discussions are no further forward.

3. Apologies for absence
Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Epps and District Cllr S. Lawson.

4. Declarations of personal and prejudicial interest
There were none.

5. Minutes of the meeting held on 10th October 2016
The minutes of the last meeting were agreed with four amendments.

6. Clerk's Report
BT are consulting about the removal of the public telephone in Culham. It was agreed to publicise this in The Mouthpiece.
It has been agreed to redesignate the school as the Parish Polling Station.

7. Recreation Ground Report and use of Shed
Cllr Gibbs reported that it will cost in the region of £2500 - £3000 to put electrics into the shed. Cllr Gibbs will obtain quotes for the work.

8. Village Green
The drains are being blocked by tree roots – it was agreed the problem should be reported to Thames Water.

9. Tree Planting
The Clerk will contact the Christmas tree company this week in the hope of planting the tree a soon as possible.
Cllr Steele is to take further advice about planting other trees.

10. Grass Cutting
Meeting to be arranged with OCC.

11. Culham Community Building Report
Carried over to next month.

12. Hydro Scheme Works
As per public participation.

13. Gate in Lock Car park
Ongoing.

14. Village footpaths
To be discussed with OCC.
The overhanging hedged are to be reported to the landowner.

15. Bachport
The decision regarding the gravel extraction is likely to be delayed.

16. Planning Applications
P16/S3666/HH – 4 Thame Lane – No strong views

17. Donation Requests
It was agreed to donate £100 to The Royal British Legion and Citizens Advice Bureau.

18. Agree Accounts for Payment

Payee and Reason	£ detail	£ VAT	£ total
L. Dalby – Clerks Salary and Expenses	195.69		195.69
HMRC - PAYE	44.20		44.20
Oxford Diocesan Glebe and Stipends – Rec Rent	695.65		695.65
J. Boyland - Maintenance	729.00	145.80	874.80
J. Thomas – Grass cutting	260.00		260.00

19. Correspondence
There was none.

20. Items for report and inclusion on November's Agenda
- Village Show

21. Future Meeting
The date of the next Parish Council meeting was confirmed as 12th December 2016 at the school.