**CULHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting duly convened and held on Tuesday 8th February 2022 hosted at Culham church**

**Present were Cllrs S. Casey-Rerhaye (Chair), A. Morris, A. Steele, S Sergeant, P Owen .**

**In attendance: 2 members of the public**

1. **Public Participation (Max 15 minutes)**
   With regard to the sale of the Green to the Parish Council, John Taylor (representing Morrells) suggested that the ownership of areas around the Green were determined. Also, that the proposal of Col. Morrell, made in 1960, be checked for detail.

   Regarding the area around the hydro scheme and the dumped items from the weirs, John Taylor said they would be taking all rubbish away.

2. **County and District Councillor Reports**
   Both reports were noted.

3. **Apologies for absence**
   All Cllrs were present.

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

5. **To approve minutes of the meeting held on 18th January 2022**
   The minutes were approved and signed by the Chair.

6. **Recreation Ground and Play Equipment report**
   CPC is waiting for a report from the committee concerning the status of the grant applications.

7. **To agree accounts for payment**

| PAYEE | WORK | AMOUNT |
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| Helen Savery | Locum clerking (13hrs) + expenses | £201.66 |
| Philip Owen | Reimbursement for cricket nets | £47.94 |
| OCC | Traffic calming gates | £1,111.55 |
| O'Neill Homer | Neighbourhood Plan Advice | £3,300.00 |

8. **War memorial update**
   The Church Faculty has yet to agree the update to the memorial. Cllr Steele will contact Roy Epps about the status of the glass plinth

9. **Defibrillator update**
   Possible locations for the device will be investigated

10. **20's plenty Campaign**

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Oxfordshire is fairly positive about the change to lower speed limits, according to an online forum attended by CPC. The speed limit can be 'enforced' using a phone app which a trained operative uses to photograph the speeding vehicle. This information is sent to the police who then send a letter to the vehicle's owner reminding them of the offence. Further action can be taken for repeated offences.

**11. Pedestrian crossing at the Waggon and horses**

CPC will put in a bid to OCC to apply for money for a pedestrian controlled crossing on the A415 under CIL funding.

**12. Noticeboard**

Repairs will be instigated rather than a replacement of the boards.

**13. HIF road update from the Parish Group**

The five Parish Group's Consultants have produced several reports for submission in objection to the scheme. Feedback has been returned to the the Five Parishes co-ordinator.

**14. Traffic calming gates**

CPC has just to pay their contribution before installation is agreed.

**15. Neighbourhood Plan**

Formal procedures are being considered and going through the system before a village referendum in August(ish) 2022. SODC should approve the plan by end of March 2022.

**16. Spoil heap on the path next to the Moors**

A plan was presented by Morrell's to sift and remove the heap, keeping the material useful for repairs to the road on the approach to the hydro. A conversion of the central part of the roadway to a 'green lane' was discussed.

**17. Orchard site – to discuss site options**

Three locations were discussed. The area by the pumping station on Tollgate Road was chosen. Plans will progress with a view to plant the trees there, next season.

**18. Planning Application**

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| P22/S0209/FUL | Culham Science Centre: Construction of infrastructure associated with the gateway area |
| P22/S0211/FUL | Culham Science Centre: Construction of replacement entrance facility, including security hut and associated parking and landscaping |

Agreed to send objections to both on grounds of too much parking & lighting, against policies of dark skies & active travel/reduce congestion/climate emergency

**19. Items for report and inclusion in March's Agenda**

Wild service tree (Sorbus) for the Covid memorial tree

**20. Future Meeting**

The date of the next Parish Council meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 2nd March 2022

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