



CULHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk's Report and update from Parish Councillors JUNE 2024

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 12th June 2024 at 7.30pm in the Church. Public and press attendance is welcomed. **The meeting will be preceded at 7pm with a presentation from Thames Water to give an overview of the South East Strategic Reservoir Option (SESRO).**

Transfer of The Green – Paul Gillitt from Wellers has now been appointed and I have forwarded the draft TP1 and correspondence received by email from John Taylor. I have forwarded the details of Morrell's Solicitors to PG. (Follow up in June, post meeting).

Finance - The AGAR has now been completed and reviewed by the internal auditor. Now to be reviewed by Councillors at this meeting and approved, along with 2024-25 Accounts and Bank Reconciliation. I will circulate to Councillors prior to the meeting. I will be working on SCRIBE accounting to input the budget information and reconcile accounts during the next week and a budget variation report will be ready for presentation at the July meeting. There is no unexpected expenditure since 1st April 2024.

Diocese of Oxford - ongoing - Wellers appointed to review the lease and I will follow up and report ready for the July meeting.

The Community Orchard – The planning officer has raised concerns. Wellers have been appointed to review and I will follow up with Paul Gillitt. Follow up and report will be in place for the July meeting.

Grass Cutting- the schedule is now uploaded to the PC website. I have contacted A&W by email regarding queries and feedback from Nacho and am awaiting a response.

May was a very busy month for me, with the Annual General Meeting and Community Meeting followed by supplying documentation, working on accounts and meeting with the auditor - on 30th May 2024 (report to be circulated). This shows areas of non-compliance which can be resolved this year with my having a much better understanding of the process of approval and documenting within the minutes. The financial process is compliant and going forward the use of SCRIBE will enable a smoother and easier process to provide the accounting and AGAR information for 2024-25.

I am now busy catching up with outstanding actions which have been on hold whilst so busy in May and will report back fully at the July meeting. Apologies for delays.

Updates from Councillors: (to be supplied)

- **20MPH Zone** - Still awaiting decision
- **Defibrillator installation** - AED Donate unable to find an electrician who can do weekend work. Culham Village Nursery are insistent on this point. Therefore, CP has requested and received two quotes so far from local electricians for the work. The cheapest is £197.51

Tollgate Road - Culham Crossing Action Group has agreed a list of actions to take forward. We have sent a request to the new highways engagement team to hopefully receive some responses to the outstanding questions. Yet to receive a response.

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