

## ROTHERFIELD PEPPARD PARISH COUNCIL: MEETING MINUTES

Council members attended The Full Meeting of Rotherfield Peppard Parish Council on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 7.00pm, via Zoom

- Attendees Cllr Berger, Cllr Freeman, Cllr Flindall, Cllr Rowland, Cllr Hall, Cllr Wood, Cllr Seaton (PT), Cllr Bartholomew (PT), Cllr Robb (PT) and Clerk (JA)
1. **Apologies:** Cllr Hillier
  2. **Declarations of interest:** Cllr Flindall declared his declaration of interest to Mulberry Barn, as he neighbours the site.
  3. **Minutes:** The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 15/2/2021 were approved as a true and correct record of the meeting.
  4. **Open forum:** No Members of the public in attendance  
The floor was opened for Mr Jim Seaton as a potential Councillor. The Councillors had seen his CV and he spoke about himself and his reasons for wanting to join the Council. He is currently a consultant so feels he has more time to give back to the community. He is a keen runner/walker and would like to protect the outside space. He also recently built his own house on Colliers Lane and therefore has some interest and experience of SODC Planning. Within the protocol, Mr Seaton was moved to the waiting room and the Councillors discussed his co-option. Cllr Wood Proposed and Cllr Freeman seconded the co-option and it was agreed unanimously. Clerk invited Mr Seaton back from the waiting room where he joined as a Councillor.
  5. **Matters relating to Oxfordshire County Council:**  
County Councillor Bartholomew had previously emailed his report and then discussed his report and discussed local issues.  
The Henley HGV Ban was bringing a motion to OCC and Cllr Bartholomew advised he would be abstaining from the vote as he had not yet fully understood the implications for local roads and his parishes.  
Cllr Rowland spoke about the dangers approaching and crossing Stoke Row Road from the Bridleway and it was agreed she would send him the video to show the dangers to help with the next steps.
  6. **Fix My Street**  
1] Update on Appendix 1  
  
2] Update from Cllr Freeman, Superuser for RPPC.  
SODC have changed the superuser access and it is easier for Cllr Freeman to report issues. There is a concern the paint provided to mark out potholes etc washes away with rain. There has been police presence twice in the last fortnight due to speeding, but Cllr Wood and Cllr Freeman both agreed there was too much speeding through the village.
  7. **Matters relating to South Oxfordshire District Council: (15mins)**  
A report was received from District Councillors Hillier and Robb.  
Mulberry Barn, the planning officer is making it difficult to keep the call-in however she believes that it is unneighbourly, is overdevelopment, believes it will suffer from both light and noise pollution and it is on an inappropriate site. She will try and maintain the call-in so it is reviewed at committee. Cllr Rowland thanked Cllr Hillier, via Cllr Robb for her help in this. It was agreed that an independent view is required.  
Car parking within Oxfordshire will be increasing and charging on a Sunday from April. SODC have declared an ecological emergency in their opposition for the expressway from Oxford to Cambridge. Caps have been put on Highlands park and there is a motion on Dark Sky friendly policies ongoing. Finally we were urged to vote in the upcoming elections in May.  
Cllr Rowland chased on the outstanding enforcements and Cllr Robb will chase. Cllr Rowland also advised RPPC would like to talk against the proposed Little Sparrows development in Sonning Common.
  8. **Council Matters**
    - i. Cllr Rowland will share her video with Cllr Bartholomew and then there needs to be some research into signage or traffic slowing measures along Stoke Row Road near the Bridleway.
    - ii. Cllr Hall updated on trees on the Sports Pavilion field. There are 7 trees that are dead and dangerous and these are due to be removed.
    - iii. Table Tennis table. Cllr Hall to confirm location details for Clerk to apply.
  9. **Village Update**

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- i. No accidents Stoke Row Road/Gallowstree Road this month
  - ii. Clerk informed the Councillors that Landmark, are due to start regularly cutting the Scrub land at Shiplake Bottom from 9<sup>th</sup> March.
  - iii. Flooding Church Lane update – No Update
  - iv. Dog bin Church Lane update – No Update
  - v. Sedgehill Spring Plaque update – This will be reviewed and sorted post Covid Lockdown restrictions
  - vi. Update on the Wishing Stone renovation – Move to next meeting, no update
  - vii. Update on Internet speed BBFO/Digital Infrastructure Program. Cllr Findall had spoken with Craig Bower from Digital Infrastructure and understood the process. It was agreed that Mr Bower should come to the APM to try and get residents to sign up.
  - viii. Clerk updated the Councillors that she had asked for areas within the village to be “Deep Cleansed” by SODC
  - ix. Wyfold new sewage works. Cllr Wood and Cllr Freeman had done a site visit and were in full agreement. RPPC will await the official planning application to be submitted.
10. **Planning Update**
- i. Cllr Rowland to updated Councillors on Planning matters in particular:
    - a) Little Sparrows – Clerk to chase for Cllr Berger to speak at the appeal
    - b) Mulberry Barn – This was discussed under SODC Matters
    - c) Johnson Matthey – There is no update
    - d) Enforcements - This was discussed under SODC Matters
11. **Finance and Staffing**
- i. Councillor Berger to updated Councillors on financial matters
  - ii. The expenditure for March 2021, was approved including retrospective payments.
  - iii. The on-line signatories for March 2021 were agreed as Cllr Rowland and Cllr Berger
- See Appendix 2
- 8:30 **12. Matters for future meetings:** Cllr Freeman will bring 2 quotes to the next meeting for the refurbishment of a bench at Gallowstree road crossroads.
- 8:35 **13. Correspondence:**  
Email from Team Rubicon regarding a Skatepark in the Village  
Email from Riverside Counselling Service  
Thank you notes received from FISH and PRIN for Charity donations  
Treasurer for PWMH Brian Knight was pleased to see the accounts in the Peppard News

Meeting finished at 8:55pm.

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### Appendix 1

Ref no	Location	Description	Update
389509	Stoke Row Road	Leaves on the pavement causing Slip hazard	Completed
248669	Corner of Stoke Road Road and B481	Surface water from blocked drains	This was due to blocked drains and has been investigated. The work will be done promptly
2486207 Originally 2295389	B481 Gravel Hill	Drains full of silt and debris. Need cleaning before winter	This was due to blocked drains and has been investigated. The work will be done promptly
Originally 2295377	B481 Gravel Hill Pavement	Pavement still blocked with vegetation and silt making it impassable	Biffa were supposed to fwd reference no. Clerk to chase
2587541	Gallowstree Road	Large kerbstone dislodged	Reported 4/3/2021. Being investigated

### Appendix 2

Expenditure		
Clerk JA	Salary (March)	Confidential
Village Cleaner MW	Salary (March)	Confidential
Village Cleaner AP	Salary (March)	Confidential
Nest	Clerk Pension (March)	Confidential
	Total amount (above 4)	Est £1,141
OALC	Annual Subscription	353.42

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