

ROTHERFIELD PEPPARD PARISH COUNCIL: MEETING MINUTES

Council members attended The Full Meeting of Rotherfield Peppard Parish Council on Monday 14th June 2021 at 7.00pm at the Sports Pavilion, Stoke Row Road, Peppard Common.

Attendees:	Cllr Berger, Cllr Freeman, Cllr Rowland, Cllr Seaton, Cllr Bartholomew (PT), Cllr Hillier (PT) and Clerk (JA)
1.	Apologies: Cllr Flindall, Cllr Hall and Cllr Robb
2.	Declarations of interest: None
3.	Minutes: The Minutes (10/5/21) were discussed, Clerk was asked to add page no's onto future minutes. They were approved as a true and correct record of the meeting.
4.	Open forum: No members of the public
5.	Matters relating to Oxfordshire County Council: County Councillor Bartholomew discussed local issues, after checking there were no queries with his monthly report. The election results are now finalised and the County is being run as a Liberal/Green alliance. Cllr Bartholomew kindly set up a Teams meeting on 27/5/21 with Cllrs Berger and Rowland, Clerk and both Lee Turner and John Beale from Highways. There were two concerns: 1] Speed along Gallowstree Road/Horsepond Road, after a complaint from nearby residents 2] Speed along Stoke Row Road near to the Bridleway. Both were discussed. RPPC need to follow up with an email to confirm a speed survey, in 2 locations along Gallowstree Road at RPPC's cost. This was proposed and agreed unanimously by all Councillors. It was also agreed on the Teams meeting there would be the installation of 2 triangular signs stating "Caution!" with road markings "slow" which would be installed in both directions of travel. This will be at OCC's cost. Clerk to confirm email. The flooding at Church Lane is to be inspected further. It has been agreed there is limited soakage value. Further works and associated costs will be reviewed by OCC. The question was asked to Cllr Bartholomew whether anything can be done for one of the houses who are affected more than anyone. Clerk to forward address to Cllr Bartholomew to discuss further. It was agreed that Cllr Bartholomew was not to organise a letter to be sent to Shiplake Bottom residents about an overgrown hedge as RPPC had written to one householder but there were others that needed writing to in the first instance.
6.	Fix My Street 1] Update on: a) 2486207 B481 Surface water from blocked drains - Marked by Highways and further long-term work required. Cllr Bartholomew advised there was no date yet for the work to take place b) 2295377 B481 (pavement) Pavement blocked with vegetation and silt making it impassable – Clerk will chase Biffa once OCC have dealt with (a) as any work done now will be undone with (a). c) Colmore Lane Pot holes. Ref no. to follow 2] Update from Cllr Freeman, Superuser for RPPC.
7.	Matters relating to South Oxfordshire District Council: (15mins) Cllr Robb sent a report from the District Council and Cllr Hillier spoke to the Councillors. Cllr Hillier advised she was very disappointed with the outcome on Mulberry Barn. She advised there is a new Chairman of Planning at SODC Cllr Brewerton and if the Parish Council were unhappy with the process to send a letter to him. Cllr Hillier understood the frustration on lack of enforcement action and would keep chasing. There is also no proper answer on the contaminated land and Cllr Hillier has agreed to put pressure on Cllr Brewerton for further answers.

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8.	<p><u>Council Matters</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Table Tennis table via Jo Robb and Table Tennis UK. Cllr Hall to confirm details for Clerk to apply. ii. Member of the Public has requested a bus from Peppard Common to Henley. This was discussed with Cllr Bartholomew and unfortunately buses are now run independently and not through the County Council so the member of the public or Parish would need to contact the bus companies directly.
9.	<p><u>Village Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. There was a severe accident at the Stoke Row Road/Gallowstree Road Crossroads. Clerk to advise Biffa/ Thames Valley Police to clear up the remaining traffic debris at the side of the road. ii. Littering in the village update. More bags, including food waste, have been taken to the PWMH bins to prevent animals pulling the bags apart. The 3 flytipped bags at the triangle by the Pavilion have been removed and are being collected by SODC. iii. Flooding Church Lane update – Discussed with Cllr Bartholomew please see item 5. iv. Update on Meeting with OCC Highways on Gallowstree Road and Stoke Row Road. Cllr Berger, Cllr Rowland and the Clerk had a zoom meeting with Cllr Bartholomew and 2 Highway team members of OCC. There was a lot of discussion in the meeting and RPPC were told it was very unlikely that there would be a change in the speed limit and concluded that before any action is taken there needed to be a speed monitor at 2 locations to access what the traffic is doing. It was also agreed at the Stoke Row Road Bridlepath there would be caution signs and also Slow road markings. v. Update on the Wishing Stone renovation – No update vi. Update on Internet speed BBFO/Digital Infrastructure Program – No update vii. Update on proposed Henley HGV Ban – No update viii. The Queen Elizabeth Bench on Top Common needs replacing and Cllr Freeman will speak to John Hallett to get it repaired/replaced. ix. It was agreed that the proposal to meet the new Chair of Sonning Common should be done via a summer meet up. x. Congratulations were given to Cllr Rowland on being voted onto the Chiltern Conservation board. xi. There was a discussion on Plane noise and whether it could be classed as nuisance. Clerk agreed to minute the discussion if it needs to be dealt with in the future. xii. There was a discussion on CCTV and whether if this was at the Unicorn pub whether the Parish Council could help with payment as the busstop etc would be in view. Clerk to investigate with OCC for legalities.
10.	<p><u>Planning Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Cllr Rowland updated Councillors on Planning matters and a lot were discussed with SODC under point 7. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Mulberry Barn SODC Meeting update – Updated pt7 b) Enforcements – Updated pt7 c) Little Sparrows appeal - No update. d) Cllr Seaton was retrospectively approved as a member of the Planning committee.
11.	<p><u>Finance and Staffing</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Councillor Berger updated the Councillors on financial matters ii. Expenditure for June 2021, including retrospective payments was approved. iii. On-line signatories for June 2021 were Cllr Berger and Cllr Rowland <p>Clerk – Salary – Confidential Village Cleaner (MW) – Salary – Confidential Village Cleaner (AP) – Salary – Confidential Nest – Clerk Pension – Confidential Total of above 4 expenses c.£1,141 Landmark £627.00</p>

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	It was agreed that the Clerk could increase the pay of the Village cleaners to £10.50/hr and this would be backdated until April. Clerk to organise and advise the cleaners.
12.	<u>Matters for future meetings:</u> Sedgehill Spring plaque As Covid19 is becoming something we will live with, funds, which we had been cautious with, can now be spent so it was agreed the Village Gates should be prioritised and at the next meeting to discuss the priority of location.
13.	<u>Correspondence:</u> None

Meeting finished at 8:45pm.