

ROTHERFIELD PEPPARD PARISH COUNCIL: MEETING MINUTES

Council members attended The Full Meeting of Rotherfield Peppard Parish Council on Monday 19th April 2021 at 7.00pm, via Zoom.

Attendees:	Cllr Berger, Cllr Wood, Cllr Hall, Cllr Seaton, Cllr Freeman, Cllr Bartholomew (PT), Cllr Robb (PT), Clerk (JA)
1.	Apologies: Cllr Hillier, Cllr Rowland and Cllr Flindall
2.	Declarations of interest: None
3.	Minutes: The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 8/3/2021 were approved as a true and correct record of the meeting.
4.	Open forum: None.
5.	<p>Matters relating to Oxfordshire County Council: County Councillor Bartholomew discussed his report then discussed local issues. Cllr Bartholomew confirmed he would be abstaining from the Proposed Henley HGV ban as he was unsure what the impact of surrounding villages will be. The drains on the B481 from Stoke Row Road to Shiplake Bottom were investigated and the Principal Officer has responded to say there is a larger problem which will need addressing. Cllr Bartholomew should be kept up to date with the pictures of the water pooling, this matter should continue to be a priority.</p>
6.	<p>Fix My Street 1] Update on: 2486207 B481 Surface water from blocked drains - Marked by Highways and further long-term work required 2295377 B481 (pavement) Pavement blocked with vegetation and silt making it impassable – Clerk to chase Biffa 2] No update from Cllr Freeman as a superuser Cllr Freeman advised he was speaking with Kidmore End regarding speed monitoring with the speed watch paused for the pandemic</p>
7.	<p>Matters relating to South Oxfordshire District Council: (15mins) A report from District Councillor Robb was received by email, followed by a verbal report about local issues at the meeting. There are discussions about whether there is a cost saving, est.30% to have a joint local plan between South and Vale and SODC, as they currently share planning officers. Cllr Robb had been concerned about the lack of local focus but this was outweighed by the potential cost savings. The discussion about Mulberry Barn at the SODC Planning meeting had been frustrating as it ended with SODC Planning Committee needing further information from Highways as the bulk and scale had not been fully addressed and equally the plans had not been scaled properly which had resulted in some confusion. Cllr Robb suggested that photos taken at the times of most congestion to be sent to her. Cllr Robb is continuing to gain information about the outstanding Planning enforcements and is sympathetic to the Parish Council's frustration of the time that it is taking to resolve. Clerk to forward google maps to accompany the photos showing the level of housing at Top Common. It was asked if residents or Councillors would be able to meet with the Highways Officer but Cllr Robb did not have any idea of when they would be viewing. There was a discussion about a repair café which was met with a lot of enthusiasm. SODC are pushing for "Dark Skies" input into all new developments (for example public street lighting). Clerk queried Cllr Robb regarding an email they had received on "Bin Mapping", which Cllr Robb will chase on our behalf. RPPC are trying to get a bin at Church Lane to prevent the amount of littering/ dog waste bags near the popular footpath. Cllr Hall asked about the Table tennis application, RPPC now had a location and wished to apply.</p>
8.	<p>Council Matters i. Peppard News Summer Edition Cllr Berger will do an update as part of the RPPC contribution. Cllr Seaton is happy to be interviewed as part of the "Meet your Councillors"</p>

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9.	<p><u>Village Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. There have not been any reported accidents Stoke Row Road/Gallowstree Road this monthii. There is continuing to be a lot of Littering/ fly tipping in the village including overflowing bins which Biffa are addressing.iii. Dog bin Church Lane update – Cllr Robb is chasing on RPPC behalf.iv. New deep clean dates received from SODC and proposal of areas to concentrate onv. Landmark update at the Scrub land at Shiplake Bottom. Clerk advised they were strimming the grass but there is a lack of good grass/vegetation so it continues to look shabbyvi. No updates regarding Flooding Church Lanevii. Cllr Freeman will chase for an update on the Wishing Stone renovationviii. Update on Internet speed BBFO/Digital Infrastructure Program. Cllr Flindall sent apologies so this will be reviewed in the May meeting.ix. There is no update on the proposed Henley HGV Ban however Cllr Wood advised that she had concerns Henley Town Council had not budgeted for it.
10.	<p><u>Planning Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. Cllr Wood to update Councillors on Planning matters in particular:<ul style="list-style-type: none">a) The proposal to file approval on P21/S1167/FUL was agreedb) Discussion on P21/S1394/HH – Cllr Wood and Cllr Freeman will have a site visit this week.c) Mulberry Barn SODC Meeting update – This was discussed under district Council mattersd) Enforcements – no updatese) Little Sparrows appeal – Cllr Berger will speak on RPPC’s behalf. Clerk to chase Teams invite.
11.	<p><u>Finance and Staffing</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. Councillor Berger updated the Councillors on all financial mattersii. Cllr Berger proposed acceptance (from F&S committee) to approve end of year accounts for Clerk to file. This was unanimous and Clerk will get paperwork signed in May meetingiii. Proposal to accept pay increases to Village cleaners as per the agreement of the F&S committee. Agreed unanimouslyiv. Agreement to remove V Mitchell from UTB and obtain paperwork to include Cllr Seaton. Clerk to actionv. Expenditure for April 2021, including retrospective payments was approved.vi. On-line signatories for April 2021 were approved as Cllr Berger and Cllr Hall <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</p> <p>Elected allowances for Councillors: Wood, Hall, Freeman, Rowland Total of above expenses c£800</p> <p>Rent Contribution to PSRCC for Pavilion hire £1062.20</p> <p>Proposal to accept Insurance quote to pay upon receipt of invoice</p> <p>Proposal to accept one of the quotes, prepared by Cllr Freeman, for repairing of the Bench at Gallowstree crossroads</p>

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12.	<u>Matters for future meetings:</u> Carried forward: Stoke Row road and Bridleway Danger spot – further discussion on signage and speed limit. Sedgehill Spring plaque
13.	<u>Correspondence:</u> Thank you notes received from RDA Letters sent to Vyne Lodge to increase planting after saplings stolen Letter sent to resident in Shiplake Bottom to cut back hedges

Meeting finished at 8:35pm.