

Meeting of Charlbury Town Council held on Wednesday 24th July 2019
at 7.30pm in the Corner House.

Members Present: Mr Kenrick (Chairman), Dr A Merry, Mr V Hill, Mr P Morgan,
Mr P Morgan, Mr R N Potter, Mr R Puttick, Ms N Ely, Ms L Reason.

Apologies: Mr R Fairhurst, Mrs K Broughton, Mrs J Burroughs, Mr R Prew.

1. To receive the minutes of the last meeting.

Mr Potter proposed that these be signed as a correct record, this being seconded by Mr Puttick and agreed.

2. To deal with matters arising.

APM. Date to be confirmed.

Mr Potter reported that trees in Centenary Wood had been damaged. If need be Mr Mottram at OCC to be informed.

Riverside Festival. Good event but some pre-event vandalism. Mr Potter expressed his concern at the number of cars and people camping on the island. Dangerous in some circumstances.

Wigwell. Mr Kenrick reported that James Aylward is leaving the Wychwood project and will be missed. Issues with resident and Wigwell being addressed.

3. Declaration of Interest.

There were none.

4. To sign orders for payment/receive report.

The Clerk had circulated a list of accounts to be paid and explained these to those present. Dr Merry proposed that the accounts be paid this being seconded by Ms Ely and agreed. Accordingly cheques were signed by two councillors.

Audit - external. The Clerk reported a communication requiring further information as an intermediate audit was requested as expenditure was £180 above the £200K threshold Matter to be dealt with by the Clerk.

5. To receive a report from the Planning Committee.

John Jaques from Cornbury Estate had attended the meeting on Monday 22nd July and reported on matters of interest and events.

A useful Q & A session followed and Mr Jaques took some issues away to consider/act upon, particularly with reference to Wilderness.

The following plans were considered:

19/01698/LBC Replace four rear windows at 5 Dyers Hill.

1. We have no objection.

19/01718/HHD Convert existing porch, replacement porch at Clacks Cottage, 2 Spelsbury Rd Villas.

1. We have no objection.

19/01831/HHD Erect porch and new fencing at 32 Elm Crescent.

1. We have no objection.

19/01933/HHD Add bay window to front elevation at The Old Dairy House, Thames Street.

1. We have no objection but note that this involves the loss of a garage and therefore parking provision (off road) needs to be considered carefully.

6. To deal with correspondence.

L Leffman. Meeting with OCC officers to consider the provision of a footpath to Banbury Hill (Mr Ford's request) noted. Traffic order finance from development at Elmstead. OCC have the money.

Mr & Mrs Horn. Wychwood Paddock signs. Clerk has reported to WODC for action.

Mr C Wray. Request for grant for Riverside Festival. Ms Reason proposed £250 be granted, seconded Mr Morgan and agreed. Cheque signed by two Councillors.

Zurich, Cemetery Tree. No further action proposed. Noted.

Sports Club/Pavilion Working Group. Notes of meeting July 5th.

P Kenrick. Incident at The Bull noted.

Post Box. R/Mail to visit site 1st August.

WODC Planning Seminar. Notes circulated. Mr Puttick and Mr Potter attended a useful event.

Mr Clemson. Dog fouling on Nine Acres. Letter passed to management committee via Mr Morgan. This is under consideration at present. WODC no longer has an officer dealing with dog related issues.

7. To receive reported with reference to Charlbury.

i) County Councillor.

Ms Leffman reported as follows:

- Enstone Road Footpath. Meeting held. An alternative permissive path is being created.
- Crawborough issues. This is a bridleway and private road.
- Sheep Street. To be resurfaced in October 2019.
- Blenheim Farm Footpath. To be widened by owner.
- Priority Fund - donation to pavilion extension.

Ms Leffman was asked to follow up overgrown hedges obscuring road signs and hedges on Woodstock Road overhanging the road.

Mr Kenrick thanked Dr Merry for his work on the Cotswold Gateway project which has provided safe paths to Banbury Hill via Wigwell and Hundley Way. A considerable and welcome achievement.

ii) District Councillor.

Andy Graham reported as follows:

- Climate change emergency motion accepted. WODC acting on this.
- Taking up issues with APCOA re station parking/drop off fines.
- He is to 'retire' from the Youth Theatre Management.
- Refugees - WODC has taken in 6 families.

8. To consider the Neighbourhood Forum.

Mr Kenrick reported that a draft plan had been circulated for comment from Councillors. He went on to ask that the Council agreed to the document being shared with WODC to enable the proposed, timetable for more general consultation to be met. There would be leaflets delivered with the August Leaflet publicising the process.

Mr Kenrick was thanked by Councillors for his work on drawing together this document, together with those on the steering group and other contributors. This was no mean feat.

Mr Morgan proposed that the draft plan as circulated be released to WODC, seconded by Mr Puttick and agreed. **F. 6, Abst. 2.**

9. To consider forming an Environmental Working Group.

A second paper had been circulated by Ms Reason. She went on to explain the need for some action locally and to co-ordinate with others. To be explored in more detail at the October Working Group meeting.

10. To consider the Augst 3rd Surgery.

There were no volunteers available. Meeting cancelled. Discuss at October Working Group.

11. Questions to the chairman.

There were none.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm. Signed.....

Chairman