

# CROPREDY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Cropredy Parish Council held in the Methodist Chapel on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 7pm

**Present:** Councillors Tania Johnson (Chairman), Bob Garland, Sheila Jones, Des Knight, Margaret Boscott, District Cllr Phil Chapman and David Best (Clerk). No members of the public attended the meeting.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Cllrs Karla Martin, Jacqui Smith and County Cllr George Reynolds
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** None.
3. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** – The minutes of the meeting of 14<sup>th</sup> March were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
4. **MATTERS ARISING:** None.

## 5. VILLAGE MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT

**Book Shelter** – A Perspex window has been added to this as it was dark inside. It was agreed that if needed a battery-operated light could be added. A volunteer has offered to put in a concrete floor. It is hoped that the shelves from the Teenage Shelter can be moved and adapted to fit

**Mowing Rota for the Upper Churchyard** – This has commenced,

**Hell Hole Wall** – There is some loose stone that may need attention. Despite the drainage holes the wall appear to have deteriorated further so Mr Tony Brummell from Cherwell District Council will be asked to inspect it again.

## 6. TRANSPORT, TRAFFIC & STREET LIGHTING

**School Car Park** – The draft lease and licence agreements have been reviewed and amendments fed back to the solicitor. The final drafts will be presented to the school and landowner when received.

**Community Speedwatch Initiative** – Two roads (Williamscot Rd and Station Road) have been added to Claydon Rd. A lot of speeding has been identified on Williamscot Rd which has been reported to the Police.

**20mph speed limit for the whole Village** – Oxfordshire County Council is currently assessing all applications to ascertain which schemes can best be done as part of the initial Phase 1 programme early in the 2022/2023 financial year. OCC has requested parishioner opinions on the implementation of a 20mph speed limit and so information gathered from the open day questionnaire and the current planning questionnaire will be provided.

**Car parking on bend outside The Brasenose Arms** – Drawings for four options have been provided by OCC Highways. These will be forwarded to Councillors for their opinions.

## VILLAGE EMERGENCY PLAN, CRIME PREVENTION & ENVIRONMENT

No update.

## 7. PARISH COUNCIL USE OF INTERNET & SOCIAL MEDIA

Cllr Karla Martin will be asked to provide training to Cllrs Tania Johnson and Bob Garland and the Clerk on uploading information onto the website and feeding the Cropredy Village Facebook page from the Cropredy Parish Council Facebook page.

## 8. PLANNING, CLIMATE CHANGE, FINANCE & LEGAL

A consultation open meeting was held last Wednesday but although not well attended some good ideas were given by parishioners. There have been approximately 90 responses to the questionnaire. A new application for a mobile phone transmitter mast on land opposite Kyetts corner is expected.

### New Planning Applications:

22/00499/DISC – The Stables, Great Boughton – Comments submitted to CDC

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### New Planning Decisions

None since March Meeting

## 9. SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB – No update

## FINANCE

**Year End 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 Accounts** – These had been circulated prior to the meeting. An internal audit will be carried out and the accounts agreed at the May meeting.

**External Audit** – The accounts and Annual Governance and Accountability Return will be sent to the External Auditor once they have been agreed by the Parish Council. The deadline for agreeing these is 29<sup>th</sup> June.

**10. COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT – No update**

**11. DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT – No update**

**12. CORRESPONDENCE** – A template letter to lobby for virtual meetings was received. It was agreed that the Parish Council would send this off although it plans to continue to hold face to face meetings, should they be needed.

**13. PARISH MATTERS**

**Queen’s Platinum Jubilee** – Arrangements are progressing and there is a sub-committee meeting tomorrow. There is a shortage of portable toilets. The mugs which will be given to children in the village should be delivered this week.

**14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS NOT OF A CONFIDENTIAL NATURE**

**Chapel Green Posts** – Favourable comments have been received on the new posts and chain.

**Tree on Chapel Green** – This is leaning against the bench that goes round it. It was agreed that this should be looked at and the bench might need some renovation.

**Tree Survey** – It was agreed that another tree survey would need to be carried out soon as the last one was carried out about two years ago.

**Fairport Cropredy Festival** – This is 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> August. It was agreed that the tickets would be sold to residents for £48. This is a significant discount as the full price adult 3-day ticket is £160 and a 1 day ticket is £80. It was agreed that a card reader would be tested to avoid the need for cash transactions.

**15. ANY MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC - None**

**16. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING** – Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2022

There being no further matters the Chair closed the public meeting at 8.33pm

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Chairman  
9<sup>th</sup> May 2021