



# Gosford and Water Eaton Parish Council

Meeting held at West Kidlington School on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022 at 7.00pm

## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

*Meeting commenced 19.00*

**Councillors Present** – Cllr Suzanne Wilson-Higgins (Vice Chair), Cllr Merlin Smith, Cllr Carol Matheson, Cllr Clive Stayt, Cllr Neil Prestidge

**Also in Attendance** – Clerk to the Council (K East),

**To receive apologies for absence** – Cllr Nigel Simpson, Cllr Ian Middleton,

No Declarations of interest.

**21/144 Declarations of interest:** none

### **21/145 Public Participation**

None.

### **21/146 To confirm the minutes of the previous council meeting held on 7th December 2021.**

The minutes from 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021 were approved.

There was no public meeting in January 2022 so no minutes to approve.

### **21/147 Update on progress from the minutes held in on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021.**

Update from Savills / Christchurch developers / land owners:

Highway model is progressing well.

PR6b / PR8, PR9 will combine in Highways model for joined up thinking

Access points on the road – liaising with PR6b (who have appointed a Highways consultant) and county.

Planning next round of public consultation in March or May (avoiding school holidays)

Hoping to submit application in early summer 2022.

Mark has been appointed to look after Local Stewardship and is looking at options. This will be discussed further once merger information has been finalized as this will affect discussions.

### **21/148 To receive reports from District or County Councillors**

(21/148.01) Cllr Ian Middleton will circulate his report to councillors via email.

### **21/149 Queens Jubilee**

(21/149.01) It was RESOLVED to go ahead with mugs for the schools for the jubilee. The clerk will cost options for every household and school children at Gosford Hill and Edward Field to receive one. We may just give to school children.

(21/149.02) Queens Canopy – suggestion to give every resident a small tree – the clerk will cost this with the idea of presenting trees in October if financially doable.



## 21/150 Financial Matters

(21/150.01) It was **RESOLVED** to approve the payments as detailed in the clerk's report (also listed below). These will be made via online bank transfer.

Clerk Payroll	£ confidential		Payroll
RFO payroll	£ confidential		Payroll
HMRC PAYE	£ 166.66		HMRC PAYE
Oxfordshire County Council Pension Fund	£ 428.98		Pensions
West Kidlington Friends	£ 75.00	Feb hire	meeting room hire Feb meeting
Clerk expenses	£ 51.75		clerk expenses, home office allowance, phone etc

£Confidential relates to payroll figures – these figures are shared with councillors.

The below figures were paid in January – approved under delegated powers and seen by councillors (due to virtual meeting – Covid). Councillors **RESOLVED** to approve these payments in retrospect in official capacity and payments were made via bank transfer.

04/01/2022	Zurich Insurance Renewal	£ 1,297.99	20 Feb 2022 - 19 Feb 2023 insurance
04/01/2022	Clerk Payroll	£ confidential	Payroll
04/01/2022	RFO payroll	£ confidential	Payroll
04/01/2022	HMRC PAYE	£ 166.46	HMRC PAYE
04/01/2022	Oxfordshire County Council Pension Fund	£ 428.98	Pensions
04/01/2022	Ady Podbery	£ 333.00	litter picking, Bramley close tidy up / shrubbery works
04/01/2022	Clerk expenses	£ 48.55	clerk expenses, home office allowance, phone etc
04/01/2022	Cherwell District Council	£ 899.15	Dec management fee - Stratfield Brake
04/01/2022	Cherwell District Council	£ 899.15	Nov management fee - Stratfield Brake
04/01/2022	Kidlington Parish Council	£ 1,496.95	Bench installation and cost & bins x 2- ordered via KPC

(21/150.02) Both grant requests were rejected (received from West Kidlington School and Community Hub at St Johns Church). Councillors will review policy but essentially, we want to grant to organisations within our parish. Neither organisation is within the parish and councillors felt they would not directly benefit our residents.

(21/150.03) Councillors **RESOLVED** to allocate £2,500 to the Queens jubilee and canopy fund.

## 21/151 Planning Applications

(21/151.01) No objections to loft conversion application 22/00130/F



(21/151/02) Development briefs are out (PR6a, PR6b and PR7a) - Councillors to read these and report back to council at next month's meeting on these briefs.

#### **21/152 Parish Matters**

(21/152/01) Parish proposed merger – consultation has closed. We await CDC response – expected around April 2022.

(21/152/02) Oxford United – Council hoping to meet with OUFC again later this week or early next week. Councillors need to put a current position statement out. The clerk will share the statement with KPC.

#### **21/153 Reports**

(21/153/01) Cllr C Stayt – we have received only one response from a resident in WE against the yellow lines proposed at WE lane.

(21/153.02) Kidlington Eco Group – councillors are welcomed to join this – Clive Stayt will go to this.

(21/153/03) Petition for virtual meetings, recommended to sign this – the clerk will send this again to councillors.

(21/153/04) A44 Peartree to Yarnton traffic – reduce speed and bus lane. Agreement with this.

(21/153/05) Oxfordshire Council local connectivity plan – no comment, indifferent.

(21/153/06) Cherwell 2040 plan view from Alan Lodwick shared with council.

#### **21/154 Questions arising from clerks report**

None

#### **21/155 Items for Agenda or Information only**

Play areas – discuss plan.

Set Annual Parish meeting date at next meeting.

The next meeting is 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022 – West Kidlington School

*Meeting ends 8.45pm*