



MINUTES
of the
SUNNINGWELL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held on
Thursday 26 May 2022
In Sunningwell Village Hall

Present:

Councillors

Colin Weyer (Chairman), Mike Wykes, Paul Wooldridge, Paul Darby, and James Greenman.

In attendance:

District Councillor Emily Smith and one parishioner.
Brian Rixon – Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

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To elect the Chairman and Vice-Chairman for the coming year

Chairman

Cllr Mike Wykes nominated Cllr **Colin Weyer** and as there were no other nominations it went to the vote and was carried unanimously. The Acceptance of Office form was signed by Colin Weyer and the Clerk.

Vice-Chairman

Cllr Mike Wykes nominated Cllr **Paul Wooldridge** and as there were no other nominations it went to the vote and was carried unanimously. The Acceptance of Office form was signed by Paul Wooldridge and the Clerk.

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Questions and comments from visiting councillors and members of the public

District Councillor Emily Smith updated the council on:

- The progress with the County's Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan. This should include renewing cycle tracks near the Wootton Road, bearing in mind concerns on safety such as crossing the main road.
- The Oxfordshire housing target which has led to the start of the South and Vale local plan.
- The parish boundary review committee which was meeting on the evening of this parish council meeting. The full consultation process will then begin with a decision by July.
- The International Women's cycle tour 2022 on Saturday 11 June will pass through Abingdon, Radley, Kennington from approx. 12 midday onwards and finishes in Banbury Road, Oxford.

County Councillor Bob Johnston sent his apologies for the meeting and enclosed this report:

- I still await the final details of the traffic calming for Sunningwell in respect of the Lodge Hill project. As far as I am aware there are no changes from the promised traffic calming measures for Sunningwell Village and new speed limits on the A4183 and elsewhere.
- The County now has a new tree planting policy agreed at the recent meeting of the Full County Council. It places more emphasis on tree planting in urban areas to provide maximum shade during the heatwaves we now expect from Climate Change. At my suggestion the County will now consider adding Southern European species to the list of those planted such as Robinia pseudoacacia which is common in France and elsewhere. Such species have greater resilience to heat and drought. Some native species lose their leaves entirely if placed under great heat stress, the ash is such an example.

54/22	Apologies for absence
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Apology: County Councillor Bob Johnston and District Councillor Debby Hallett.

Parish Councillor Oliver Isaacs resigned from the Parish Council a few days before this meeting. A Notice of Casual Vacancy has been issued and displayed on the notice boards.

55/22	Declarations of members' interests in respect of any item.
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None.

56/22	To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council held on 28 April 2022.
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The minutes were approved and signed.

57/22	Planning applications
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There were no planning applications to consider at this meeting.

58/22	Financial report
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The monthly financial report was distributed and discussed.

It showed receipts in the month included £1,489 S106 funding for the disabled footpath access at Sunningwell village hall

The bank balances and the summary of reserves were also listed.

The following payments were approved

Clerk	Salary, Office Expenditure including ICO Data Protection annual fee	704.94
HMRC	PAYE	128.80
Sage Payroll	Monthly subscription	8.40
MRS Services	Playground inspection and minor repair	74.50
KBS Depot	Four notice boards around the parish	6489.60
Bayworth Residents' Association	Queen's Jubilee musical event	1835.00
Storm Fireworks	Balance for 5 June Jubilee display	1125.00
Zoom	Annual subscription.	143.88
Cllr M Wykes	The Workplace Depot – bicycle racks for village hall	280.20
Mark McCracken	Grass cutting around the parish	250.00

59/22	Commemorative Bench
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The Council approved the latest proposal for a bench to commemorate Bob Warne. It will back onto the central hedgerow and face towards Long Furlong.

60/22	Village greens' policy
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The council discussed and updated the Policy and Procedures document covering Sunningwell Parish Village Green and Bayworth Triangle. The document was unanimously approved.

61/22	The next Parish Council Meetings will be on Thursday 30 June 2022 in Sunningwell Village Hall
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The Chairman closed the May meeting at 8:25 p.m.