

Little Milton Parish Council
Minutes of Council Meeting held on Wednesday 9th February 2022

Present: Cllr. Francois van der Merwe (Chairman)
Cllr. David Wakeling
Cllr. Howard Harrison
Cllr. Giles Denby
Mrs Andrea Oughton (*Parish Clerk*)
Members of the public: One

01/02/22 Apologies for Absence:

Apologies for absence received from Cllrs Sidhu (Business) and Sheppard (Business).

02/02/22 Declaration of any pecuniary interests of members

Cllr van der Merwe declared an interest in planning application P22/S0351/HH as a near neighbour and did not take part in discussion or vote on this item.

03/02/22 Approval of Minutes

Resolved to approve the minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 12th January 2022. The minutes were signed by the Chairman.

04/02/22 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising that were not covered on the agenda.

05/02/22 Report by District / County Councillors

District Cllr Newton had sent her apologies, her report was circulated following the meeting. County Cllr van Mierlo had sent his apologies and circulated his report.

06/02/22 Oxfordshire County Council – Local Transport and Connectivity Plan (LTCP)

It was noted Oxfordshire County Council's (OCC) Local Transport and Connectivity Plan (LTCP) consultation is now open and runs until 16th March 2022.

It was agreed to publicise the consultation via the newsletter and the Parish Council Facebook page providing residents with key points on which the Parish Council's response will be based and encourage residents to submit their own responses.

Cllr van der Merwe will draft a response and circulate via email ready for discussion at the next meeting.

07/02/22 Planning

P22/S0080/HH – 7 Greystones, Chiltern View, Little Milton, OX44 7QP

Single storey extension conversion and extension to existing garage to form annex

Resolved to **SUPPORT** the application with the following comment:

- Use of the annex remains ancillary to the dwelling in perpetuity

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P22/S0351/HH – The Old Forge, 61 High Street, Little Milton, OX44 7PU
Single Storey rear extension and alterations
Resolved to **SUPPORT** the application.

The following application has been granted permission by the District Planning Authority:

P21/S2860/FUL - Land between The Plough House and Frogmore, Stadhampton Road, Little Milton, OX44 7QD
Replacement access (as amended by updated description on the 20th of October 2021 and amended plans on the 25th of November 2021).

The following application has been refused permission by the District Planning Authority:

P21/S1869/HH – Owl Barn, Church Hill, Little Milton, OX44 7QB
1st floor rear extension over an existing ground floor extension.

08/02/22 Finance

Approval of Council Expenditure

Colourplus: February Newsletter 2022	£252.77
Raymond Fergusson: Month 11 2021/22	£69.30
Andrea Oughton Month 11 2021/22	£205.85
South Oxfordshire District Council- Dog Bin hygiene	£107.64
AVW Electrical MUGA lights (Retrospective)	£147.00
Cyan – purchase of 3 benches (Retrospective)	£988.34

Direct Debit

Intuit: Accounting software Feb. 9th –March. 9th 2022 £14.40

Bank reconciliation available for review.

09/02/22 Reports from Councillor Representatives

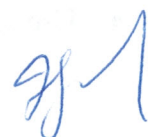
Recreation Ground, Open Green Spaces

Funding applications have been submitted to the District Councillor Community Fund to purchase two new waste bins to replace the one by the play area and an application to purchase two Oak trees to replace the two original trees planted to commemorate the centenary of World War I.

Quotations have been obtained for grass cutting the verges, recreation ground and hedge cutting. **Resolved** to place the 2022 contract with BGG Garden and Tree Care Ltd. Cllr Harrison is continuing to push Soha for a date when the hedge at Old Field will be cut.

Two quotations for lighting at the MUGA have been obtained; one to fix the problem £1,200 + VAT and one to upgrade the lighting. £2,300 + VAT. It was agreed to upgrade the lighting with the larger project of resurfacing the courts. Cllr Harrison will contact BGG re weed and moss killing on the MUGA.

Cllr Wakeling has replaced the catch on the gate to the play area.
Resolved that Cllr Sheppard purchase 10 bags of mulch for the play area.



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Village Hall / Village School / Orchard Nursery

Cllr Denby reported the Village Hall and Village Shop have agreed a quotation for the replacement sign. The Village Hall Committee is working hard on plans to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee including a big picnic on the recreation ground and family games. The Women's Institute are baking a celebration cake.

The school currently has 45 students. There are a few places vacant at the nursery.

Highways

Cllr Sheppard has signed up for a course to be a 'fix my street super user'. He has also been in touch with Oxfordshire County Council Fix my street regarding the potholes on the Haseley Road, and the damaged sign at the Chalgrove end of Haseley Road. He also reminded OCC of the damaged signage by the school which was raised in December.

Thames Water - nothing more to report since the last update from their liaison officer.

OCC Highways – no update on the 20 MPH application yet, although the response was due within 28 days, Cllr Sheppard will chase it up when 28 days has passed. There are no planned works notified for February to March in the Village.

Superfast Broadband

Airband has done a lot of work in the village, laying the fibre spine and distribution points as per requirement and funding received from DEFRA to connect businesses. The spine will enable connection to some residential properties, information on how to register an interest can be found on Airband's website. Cllr van der Merwe will continue to push Openreach to provide village wide coverage using the voucher scheme. Cllr van der Merwe will write a piece for the newsletter updating residents on the situation and what local groups can do to encourage companies to provide coverage for their area.

Local Forum

Cllr van der Merwe has met informally with the Chairmen of Stadhampton, Great Haseley and Great Milton Parish Councils. It was a useful meeting, sharing local concerns and successes. Further meetings are planned later in the year.

10/02/22 Correspondence

A resident has asked the Parish Council to consider providing outdoor gym equipment on the recreation ground. Cllr Wakeling reported a consultation undertaken five years ago had shown there was little enthusiasm for exercise equipment. However, the Council will reconsider provision of outdoor gym equipment as part of the long-term plan for the recreation ground.


11/02/22 Exchange of Information

No items were raised.

12/02/22 Date of Next Meeting

The Meeting of the Parish Council will convene at 7.30pm on **Wednesday 9th March 2022** at Pine Lodge.

The meeting finished at 8.58p.m.



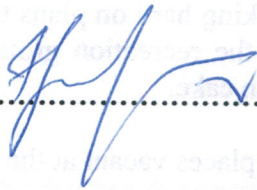
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13/02/22 **Parish Forum**

No items were raised.

Signed by:

Chairman.....



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