# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GREAT HASELEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 11 November 2019 AT 7.30PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Present: Cllrs A Sheppard (Chair), A Gheissari, D Lindsay (Vice Chair), C McGuirk,

C Pickett, P Woodrow, A Oughton (Clerk) and four members of the public.

#### 19/106 Public Discussion and Public Questions

There was no public participation.

There were no public questions put to the Parish Council.

## 19/107 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Spencer (Personal).

## 19/108 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

There were no declarations of interest.

## 19/109 Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

The Chair welcomed Silke More O'Ferrall, Infrastructure Implementation Officer and Ruth Cross, Officer with the Leisure Team at South Oxfordshire District Council (SODC).

Ruth explained the Leisure Team is made up of three departments; Leisure Centres, Participation (responsible for delivering new facilities and increasing membership) and the Development (responsible for s106 and CIL spending and advice).

Silke tabled a document explaining the difference between s106 funding and Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and a summary of CIL funds collected from developments in Great Haseley. Silke explained CIL can be spent on any project provided the need can be justified as a result of new development.

After answering a number of questions the Chair thanked Silke and Ruth for attending the meeting.

It was agreed the list of possible projects on which CIL may be spent will be published in The Haseleys with an invitation to residents to comment and exhibition/meeting to be held in the new year.

#### 19/110 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 14 October 2019 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

## 19/111 Matters Arising

The Chair reported she had written to Mr Malcolm Prior to thank him for looking after the defibrillator at the Village Hall and reported Gill Seymour Taylor had volunteered to take over monitoring the defibrillator.

Cllr Lindsay reported work on the Asset Register was progressing.

Cllr Pickett reported she had followed up a number of grant funding possibilities related to the purchase of new adult gym equipment and gathered information on the different pieces of equipment available, together with installation and maintenance costs.

Cllr Sheppard reported a meeting had been organised next week with a member of Oxfordshire County Council to gather information on Gateway Entrance signs.

Cllr McGuirk will follow up the necessary permissions for the inclusion of personal contact details in the draft Emergency Plan. Other Members reported they had approached residents in the village who were willing to be included in the plan and will pass their details to Cllr McGuirk.

Cllr Sheppard reported she had attended the Appeal hearing related to land adjacent to London Road for a traveller site with provision for twelve individual plots. Cllr Sheppard raised concerns on behalf of Great Haseley Parish Council related to the water courses and adverse impact the development, if approved, would have. The Inspector undertook a site visit the following day.

## 19/112 Planning Applications

P19/S3260/FUL - Building adjoining Sands Farm House, Rectory Road, Great Haseley Replacement of existing building with new build dwelling with associated garden and new garage port (alternative to planning permission P19/S2211/FUL).

Resolved that the Parish Council had No Objection to this application.

### P19/S2503/O - Haseley End, Rectory Road, Great Haseley

Amendment No. 2 - received 24 October, 2019 reducing the number of units from 4 to 3. Reduction in number of parking spaces, alteration to design and materials of dwellings. Demolition of existing building and garages. Construction of 4 new residential attached dwellings, car parking and new vehicle crossover with access, appearance, layout and scale to be determined at this stage. (as amended by plan 103 Rev A (landscaping) and plans received 24 October, 2019 reducing the number of units from 4 to 3. Reduction in number of parking spaces, alteration to design and materials of dwellings).

Resolved to Object to this amendment as it did not address the original reasons for Objection made by the Parish Council of: Overdevelopment, Out of Character with the Area, Parking and Access, Overlooking and inappropriate materials.

The following amendments were noted:

P19/S2781/HH & P19/S2782/LB - Sundial House, Rectory Road, Great Haseley Amendment No. 1 - Bat Report received 7 October 2019

P19/S2685/FUL & P19/S2686/FUL - Lobb Farm, Access Road to Lobb Farm, Tetsworth Amendment No 2 - additional highway information received 22 October 2019 and additional tree information received 30 October 2019

The proposed development is for a Gas Fired Electricity Generating Facility with the ability to generate up to 49.99 MW of electricity. A low carbon flexible generating facility using gas reciprocating engines. The facility will generate electricity principally for the regional distribution network in times of generation shortfall and/or high demand. (as clarified by additional information submitted 10 September 2019, 12 September 2019 and 22 October 2019).

It was noted that South Oxfordshire District Council had granted planning permission for the following:

#### P19/S2598/FUL - The Oxfordshire Golf Club, Rycote Lane

**Variation of conditions 3** - Landscaping Scheme and 5 - Temporary Permission and Reinstatement Scheme on application P19/S1413/FUL (Installation of ground mounted solar pv array on grassland adjacent to The Oxfordshire Golf Hotel complex) for changes to allow alternative method of visual mitigation including trees and condition for future removal.

P19/S2781/HH & P19/S2782/LB - Sundial House, Rectory Road, Great Haseley Repair and adaption of existing outbuildings to form a private library. Raise existing garden wall. Re-open former opening in wall. (as amplified by bat report received 7 October 2019).

## 19/113 Tetsworth Neighbourhood Development Plan 2011-2034

It was agreed to write a formal response to the Regulation 14 Consultation on the Tetsworth Neighbourhood Development Plan stating Great Haseley Parish Council had no concerns or issues and commended Tetsworth Parish Council on the production of their Neighbourhood Plan.

## 19/114 Payments

The following cheques were written as notified on the agenda: Ridgeway Rural Services £966.00, G Seymour £29.28 (postage The Haseleys), Donation to St Peter's Church towards the cost of 2018 grass cutting £552.00.

The following cheque was written at the meeting: Ridgeway Rural Services £60.00.

## 19/115 Financial Report

The balance on the Current Account was £17,475.42 and the Business Reserve Account £22,898.59. The income for the month of £8,932.19 has been received made up as follows: £289.76 – Advertisements in The Haseleys, £195.00 – 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter VAT reclaim and £8,447.43 – Community Infrastructure Levy payment received from SODC.

It was resolved that £8,932.19, Community Infrastructure Levy is transferred to Business Reserve Account.

The Clerk reported the Internal Auditor had reviewed the first six months accounts. All reported all was in order.

#### 19/116 The Haseleys

The Editors of The Haseleys Magazine had requested the Parish Council consider separating the income and expenditure related to The Haseleys from the Parish Council's accounts and allowing the Editors to run their own accounts and open a new bank account.

This will have advantages for both the Editors of the magazine and also the Parish Council. The request was agreed in principle subject to further discussion with The Editors and formal Terms of Reference being agreed. OALC to be consulted by the Clerk to check the implications from a Finance/Audit/Vat perspective.

#### 19/117 Public Payphone Consultation

SODC had written to advise that BT have put forward the public payphone currently installed opposite 'The Old School House' for removal. The overall use of payphones had declined by 90 percent in the last decade and the need to provide payphones for use in emergency situations was diminishing.

A notice advising the public of BT's 90-day consultation had been placed on the payphone. It was agreed the Parish Council had no objection to the removal of the public payphone.

# 19/118 VE Day Celebrations

Little Milton has extended an invitation to the residents of Great Haseley and Little Haseley to join with them in celebrating the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE Day over the weekend of 8-10 May 2020.

It was agreed to pursue Little Milton's invitation but that Great Haseley will also organise a Street Party or similar event in the village over the weekend probably on the Friday. Cllr Lindsay will liaise with Little Milton.

#### 19/119 SODC Local Plan 2034

There was nothing further to report. The Local Plan will remain 'on hold' until after the General Election.

# 19/120 Public Footpath between Rectory Road and Back Way (Great Haseley Footpath No. 29)

In 2011 the Parish Council applied to Oxfordshire County Council to have the public footpath listed above added to the Definitive Map. The County Council have investigated the application and a draft report has been prepared for public consultation. The report recommends that due to lack of evidence of use the public footpath application is rejected.

The Chair contacted the County Council who confirmed that at least 20 names of residents who have used the footpath for 20 years prior to 2011 years was needed to support the application. Cllrs Sheppard and Pickett will work together to complete the evidence base required and submit the necessary form. The County Council has granted an extension until 6 December 2019 for receipt of the information.

It was agreed an application to add the footpath from Latchford Lane to St Peter's church to the Definitive Map is submitted. Cllr Gheissari agreed to commence work on the application.

#### 19/121 Reports from Committees

Footpaths - Nothing further to report.

## Village Hall

Cllr Woodrow reported internal repairs to the dormer window had been completed. The specialist roofing contractor will complete the repairs to outside in the next few weeks. Eventually the remaining dormer windows will require similar repair work.

## **Playing Fields**

The three posts which had been removed have now been replaced.

Miss Cross Field - Nothing to report.

**Millennium Wood -** Nothing to report.

#### **Allotments**

Cllr Pickett reported she had not received any comments following circulation of the Allotment Holder Rules. Remaining vacant allotment spaces will be advertised for rent after Christmas.

#### Communications

Cllr McGuirk will review the Parish Council's website. Cllr Lindsay will attend the Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils training on improving website accessibility.

#### **Environment**

Cllr Gheissari reported the hedge which forms the boundary with 'Hazelwood' and Rectory Road had been trimmed. However, the top of the hedge had not been cut and was growing into the electricity cables.

### 19/122 Reports from District and County Councillors

Cllr Harrod and Cllr Newton were not able to attend and had given their apologies.

## 19/123 Correspondence

There was nothing further to add to that included in the Correspondence Bag for circulation.

## 19/124 Information Exchange

Cllr Sheppard had been passed a letter from the Government's Valuation Office requesting details related to the ownership of the Village Hall. Cllr Sheppard had gathered some information and will progress the matter.

The chairman highlighted the Planning Training available on 24 February 2020 and Roles and Responsibilities training on 18 March 2020.

It was agreed to add the following items to the agenda for the next meeting:

Possible updates to the Parish Council website including the Accessibility requirements that come into force in September 2020

Adult exercise equipment

To consider the request from the Village Hall Committee for payment for repairs to the dormer window at the Village Hall.

# 19/125 Next meetings

It was agreed the next meeting will take place on 9 December 2019 and the following meeting on 13 January 2020 at 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.45pm

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