

Ardington and Lockinge Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting for
Ardington and Lockinge Parish Council
Held Tuesday 8th March 2022, 8:00pm at the Loyd-Lindsay Rooms

Present	In Attendance
Hugh Roberts (HR) Councillor	Megan Boyle (MB) Clerk
Derek Morrow (DM) Councillor	County Cllr Sally Povolotsky (SP)
Nicky Hancock (NH) Councillor	District Cllr Janet Shelley (JS)
Ron East (RE) Councillor	
John Hedgecock (JH) Councillor	Apologies
	Paul Gibbs (PG) Councillor

		ACTION
1.	Welcome and Apologies The Chairman welcomed those present to the meeting. Apologies received from Paul Gibbs (PG).	
2.	Declarations of Interests Councillors drew attention to their standard declarations as recorded on the register.	
3.	Minutes of the Meeting held Tuesday 11th January 2022 The minutes of the meeting were agreed and signed to that effect by the Chairman.	
4.	Matters Arising Hugh Roberts (HR), Chairman, Councillors highlighted an inaccuracy in the minutes noted in item 4 and informed that the notice board in West Lockinge was in need of a replacement lock only. MB to contact the Estate Joinery to obtain a quotation.	ACTION MB - to obtain a quotation for replacement lock
5.	Matters raised by parishioners present at the meeting None	
6.	Clerk's Report The Clerk, Megan Boyle (MB), provided an update of the previous actions, key points of note include: MB advised that the elderly crossing sign for the bus shelter along the A417 has been approved and confirmed that the antisocial behaviour with the use of motorcycles within the village has been reported to Thames Valley Police. Those present were informed that links to public consultations have been shared via Facebook, and the internal auditor has been appointed. MB informed that the district council are unable to collect the waste from the bin due to ownership status, and advised that the bin would continue to be emptied by the Clerk on a weekly basis.	

7.	<p>Chair's Update</p> <p>HR advised that there had been no further reports from parishioners of antisocial behaviour with the use of a motorcycle.</p> <p>HR highlighted the importance of the Council implementing a neighbourhood plan.</p>	
8.	<p>Reports</p> <p>8a. District Council</p> <p>District Councillor Janet Shelley (JS) provided a verbal update, key points of note include:</p> <p>JS noted that waste service collections are going well. However, due current staffing levels, extra collections have to be carried out in order to maintain current service levels.</p> <p>JS advised that there has been a good uptake of local businesses that are utilising free CPD courses, including 388 individuals partaking in a food safety awareness course. JS explained that the scheme was implemented to help businesses with the Vale of White Horse district that may have been affected by Coronavirus.</p> <p>JS informed that the housing team responded to the coronavirus vaccine by offering vaccinations and accommodation for rough sleepers, including emergency and out of hours beds. JS noted that the private housing team are currently promoting disability housing repair grants.</p> <p>Councillors were advised that the 21/22 affordable housing target was achieved. Those present discussed the mechanism of affordable housing, including salary expectations and ownership.</p> <p>JS informed that a planning application for a 50 new houses between Rowstock and Harwell was rejected at the most recent planning committee. Councillors asked if the decision had been appealed. JS advised that it had not yet been made known if the decision to reject the application had been appealed.</p> <p>JS agreed to forward grant scheme information to the clerk.</p> <p>ACTION - JS</p> <p>8b. County Council</p> <p>Oxfordshire County Councillor Sally Povolotsky (SP) provided a verbal update, key points of note include:</p> <p>SP advised that the highways team are approximately six weeks behind scheduled work due to emergency work because of the recent storms. SP advised that Trading Standards have issued a warning for cold callers, advertising roof fixtures.</p> <p>SP drew attention to the toad crossing signs for the village, purchased using councillor's priority funding and advised that she is still awaiting the required pole for the school crossing sign along the A417.</p> <p>Those present were advised of a rewilding project due to be carried out along the A417 and a weekly community larder held in East Hendred. SP advised that</p>	<p>.</p> <p>ACTION JS – Send available grants.</p>

	<p>the community larder currently has 40 members, 2 of which are Ardington residents.</p> <p>SP advised that possible funding for resurfacing the cycle path between Ginge and Ardington is being explored.</p> <p>8c. PCSO None</p>	
9.	<p>Finance Those present voted to approve the below payments. Wel-medical - for the disposable defibrillator battery - £223.14 OALC - 2022-23 membership OALC – Training - £50</p> <p>MB to reapply for online banking on behalf of the Parish Council ACTION – MB</p> <p>MB to check scheduled maintenance for defibrillator. ACTION - MB</p>	<p>ACTION MB – Reapply for online banking</p> <p>ACTION MB – check scheduled maintenance for defibrillator.</p>
10.	<p>Planning 10a. P22/VO479/FUL The council voted to oppose the planning application.</p>	
11.	<p>Any Other Business – Notified in advanced to the Chair / Clerk Councillor Nicky Hancock (NH) informed those present of villages planned Jubilee celebrations, including a traditional summer fete. Those present discussed available grant schemes for the event.</p> <p>Meeting closed 9:45pm</p>	
12.	Date of Next Meeting – 10th May at 8:00pm – AGM from 7:00pm	