

**MINUTES OF GREAT HASELEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 9 OCTOBER 2023 AT 7.30PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllrs J Brown, C Groves, D Lindsay, R Sheehan, T Suter (Chairman), J Webster, P Woodrow, A Oughton (Clerk) and two members of the public.

23/74 Public Discussion and Public Questions

A resident expressed regret at the loss of the hedgerow, although the hedgerow has been replaced by a very well-built stone wall, aesthetically it had opened up the area and resulted in the loss of biodiversity. In the past the Parish Council has fought to ensure hedgerows in the village are not removed.

The Parish Council responded that granted planning permission stated that a post and rail fence is erected with planting behind. There were two options: Ask the applicant to submit a retrospective planning application (for which it was anticipated permission would be granted) or contact the applicant and request some planting is undertaken behind the wall. It was agreed to pursue the second option.

23/75 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

23/76 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

There were no Declarations of Interest or Dispensations.

23/77 Planning Applications

P23/S2717/FUL - Jointers Farmhouse, Great Haseley, OX44 7BG

Change of use of land from agricultural to garden land and retention of tennis court.

Resolved to Support the application

P23/S3216/FUL - Christmas Hill Business Park, 2 Rycote Lane, Thame

To erect a mezzanine floor in part of the existing building for use as ancillary accommodation.

Resolved No Objections with the following comment:

- Need clarity on what the intended use of the additional space will be. If it results in additional employment at Unit 2 this will put a strain on the 6 allocated parking spaces. The detrimental effects of inadequate parking at industrial units further along Rycote Lane are already visible where vehicles park on the roadside verges.

The following application was noted:

P23/S2983/DIS - Haseley Court, Little Haseley, OX44 7LL

Discharge of conditions 3.1 (Details of all structural works), 3.2 (Proposals for new paint schemes), 3.5 Joinery details), 3.8 (Details of replacement cornices and doorcases) and 3.12 (Joinery for new staircase) under application reference numbers P21/S2592/HH and P21/S2595/LB (Extensive refurbishment of the main house, chapel wing and existing staff flat).

Planning matters arising:

The Chairman reported he had pursued clarification regarding the shed and drainage issue at The Institute, Rectory Road. The Chairman had seen correspondence between the

applicant and District Planning Authority in which initially the Planning Authority stated planning permission was required and requested further information. In later correspondence the Planning Authority stated no planning permission was required. The Chairman has asked the Planning Authority to share the additional information supplied. It was noted no official plans were submitted for a drainage outlet onto the highway.

The Chairman will continue to pursue these issues and engage the support of District Councillor Georgina Heritage.

23/78 Payments

It was **Resolved** to approve the following payments: £62.40 Shield Maintenance Ltd, £60.98 Parish Administration, £188.40 RoSPA Play Safety Ltd, £252.00 Moore, £218.58 B17 Memorial Event, £510.00 A W Grounds Maintenance, £122.28 Hugo Fox Ltd, £500.00 Village Hall Committee, Castle Water – Monthly Direct Debit: £5.00.

23/79 Information Exchange

Future agenda items: Oxfordshire County Council Freight Strategy, Millennium Wood grass cutting, consultation on proposals for a reservoir at Abingdon.

Cllrs Brown and Webster reported they had attended an Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils training. Both said they had learnt a lot about the roles and responsibilities of a parish councillor and the Clerk.

23/80 Date of Next Meeting

It was agreed the next meeting will be held on 13 November 2023, commencing at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.15pm

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Chairman
13 November 2023