

DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held via Skype
at 7:30pm on Wednesday 18 November 2020.

Present: Cllrs D Rogers (Chair), A Collins, J Eames, J Higham, H Oldfield, S O'Neill, M Robinson, C Snashall, M Squires, M Swadling, T Timms and J Watts. **Also, present:** County Cllr A Fatemian, District Cllr B Williams. a Deddington News representative and two members of public.

218/20	Apologies: Cllr J M Cox
219/20	<p>Declarations of Interest</p> <p>Pecuniary Interest: Cllr S O'Neill 226/20 Planning f) 20/02083/OUT Land North of Hempton Road and west of Wimborn Close, Deddington and 227/20 Neighbourhood Planning, 228 /20 Large Scale Development as a local land owner and did not take part in the discussion</p> <p>General Interest: Cllrs D Rogers, A Collins and J Watts 230/20 Environment and Recreation working group report 7) Cricket Club pavilion refurbishment as have ties with the Cricket Club.</p>
220/20	<p>Minutes: Cllr A Collins proposed, Cllr J Eames seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous by those in attendance) that the minutes of the meeting held on 21 October 2020 were a true record of the meeting with the following amendments 200/20 the sentence beginning "Volunteer would we" should read Volunteers should be. The next sentence "It was said" should read "District Cllr B Williams said". There were two alterations made to the minute numbers.</p>
221/20	Matters arising from the minutes and not referred to later on the Agenda: None.
222/20	10 Minute Open Forum: None.
223/20	<p>County Cllr A Fatemian:</p> <p>Grants Award. County Cllr A Fatemian has authorized Council applications for grants towards Christmas lunch for the parish vulnerable and for the street light on the junction of Daedings and Hempton Road. County Cllr A Fatemian thanked.</p> <p>Library. He was also asked when the library was likely to open and he said it was very much dependent upon the lockdown situation going forward. It was queried whether the library would open again given that there was no recruitment for a library manger. County Cllr Fatemian said he had heard no suggestion of any plan to close the library.</p> <p>Cllr H Oldfield pointed out that Deddington Library has been pledged £24,000 in S106 money from the Deddington Grange development, confirmed by the relevant OCC officer in May 2017. Cllr J Eames proposed that the PC should express the parish's keen support for the library, especially if it was in any way at risk.</p> <p>County Cllr Arash Fatemian suggested the PC should write to him 1) expressing the parish's support for the library, and the hope that it could be re-opened as soon as possible in a covid-safe way; 2) stating that the Friends of Deddington Library are anticipating S106 funds allocated to the library being used for improvements when the covid crisis is over; 3) asking for reassurance that the delay in recruiting a new library manager did not indicate plans to close Deddington Library permanently. He would forward the import of the letter at cabinet level.</p> <p>Cllr D Rogers proposed, Cllr J Watts seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) to ask the clerk to write such a letter to County Cllr Fatemian.</p> <p>Increase in fly tipping. It was noted that over zealous charging had been reported at Ardley. Cllr J Watts asked if OCC would reconsider policy of charging to leave non-household waste at tips. Cllr Fatemian said he'd heard similar complaints previously, and the charging policy was under consideration.</p>
224/20	<p>District Cllr B Williams update:</p> <p>OCC wanted the county to move to Tier 2 over the school half-term break but it was refused by government, however circumstances changed very quickly and we are now into the second week of a second Lockdown. It will not be as severe as the initial one in late March but will still prove challenging for individuals, families and businesses, especially the smaller organisations and those in the hospitality sector. Statistics prior to this second Lockdown show that Cherwell had the highest Covid-19 infection rate, per 100,000 residents in Oxfordshire, especially in the middle to higher age groups. Cherwell has now moved into second place in the county after Oxford City.</p>

	<p>A Covid-19 testing centre for Cherwell residents will open at the Woodgreen Leisure Centre in Banbury, from Friday 20 November, 8am to 8pm daily. He said our community is strong, resilient and supportive and he's pleased and encouraged that the volunteer group that was so effective and appreciated during the first Lockdown have sprung back into. He has approved an application for £500 of funding for the volunteer group to continue helping the vulnerable and elderly within the community. Cllr D Rogers passed on his thanks for this additional money.</p>																																																							
225/20	<p>Finance & General Purposes.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Bank and Investments. The Bank Reconciliation balances. The Disposition of Council Funds schedule had been circulated showing total funds of £711,134. 2) CDC Grant application Food Bank. Cllr D Rogers proposed, Cllr A Collins seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) to apply to CDC for a £4,000 grant for monies toward a food bank led by the PCC. Any monies not used to be returned. 3) OCC Grant application for funds for Christmas Dinner for vulnerable. Cllr D Rogers proposed, Cllr S O'Neill seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) to apply to OCC for £1,000 grant to fund Christmas lunch for parish vulnerable which is being led by the PCC. 4) Snow wardens' budget. Cllr A Collins proposed, Cllr T Timms seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) to budget up to £200 for snow wardens' equipment. 5) EV charging points at the Windmill. Cllr D Rogers proposed, Cllr M Robinson seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) to spend up to £4,000 on two EV charging points at the Windmill. 6) Moore request to detail reserves. Clerk to respond with MEP extract and narrative. 7) Windmill disabled lavatories. To source quotes via contract finder. Cllr J Higham to liaise with Cllr M Robinson regarding the necessary standard required to ensure DDA compliant. The PC agreed in principle to the concept of spending £10k on the project although no decision could be taken without quote. 8) Gate at Windmill at pitch entrance. Agenda December 2020 so the Windmill Committee can be liaised with about the Parish Council's preference. 9) Budgeting for the future – response from OALC was given to Council, making clear it was permissible for parish councils to build up repair and replacement funds. 10) Draft Budget template / Precept. To discuss and finalise in December once all working group requests have been received. 11) RBL Branch letter – Remembrance Parades. Cllr J Watts agreed to lead a working group and asked that Deddington News ask for volunteers to assist in organising and stewarding the event in the future. The Clerk informed that the insurers have stated it was unlikely any charge would be made to cover the event. 12) Census Date – Sunday, 21 March 2021. For information. 13) Local Elections will take place in 2021. For information. 14) CDC Grant application for Covid-19 group. Cllr D Rogers proposed, Cllr A Collins seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) to apply for £500 grant. 																																																							
226/20	<p>Approval of Invoices. Cllr S O'Neill proposed, Cllr M Robinson seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) that the invoices with a total of £4,991.06 were approved for payment.</p>																																																							
227/20	<p>Report upon the investment of the Parish Council's Funds as at 31 October 2020.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="236 1686 1538 2056"> <thead> <tr> <th>Account</th> <th>Balance</th> <th>Interest</th> <th>Notice</th> <th>Valid Until</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Imprest</td> <td>2,500.00</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Current*</td> <td>130,293.36</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Unity</td> <td>68,126.05</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nationwide BS</td> <td>85,360.96</td> <td>0.1%</td> <td>125 day notice</td> <td>(opened Nov 19)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Redwood Bank</td> <td>86,173.70</td> <td>1.2 %</td> <td>95 day notice</td> <td>(opened Aug 19)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hampshire TB</td> <td>78,456.73</td> <td>1.00%</td> <td>1 Yr Fixed</td> <td>21 May 2021</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cambridge & Counties</td> <td>86,248.21</td> <td>1.5%</td> <td>1 Yr Fixed</td> <td>12 May 2021</td> </tr> <tr> <td>United Trust</td> <td>86,662.04</td> <td>1.65%</td> <td>1 Yr Fixed</td> <td>26 April 2021</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Skipton Building Society</td> <td>87,313.20</td> <td>0.75%</td> <td>1 Yr Fixed</td> <td>21 May 2021</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>711,134.25</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>*The current account has £1,224.51 of uncleared cheques which have been taken off to show funds available.</p>	Account	Balance	Interest	Notice	Valid Until	Imprest	2,500.00				Current*	130,293.36				Unity	68,126.05				Nationwide BS	85,360.96	0.1%	125 day notice	(opened Nov 19)	Redwood Bank	86,173.70	1.2 %	95 day notice	(opened Aug 19)	Hampshire TB	78,456.73	1.00%	1 Yr Fixed	21 May 2021	Cambridge & Counties	86,248.21	1.5%	1 Yr Fixed	12 May 2021	United Trust	86,662.04	1.65%	1 Yr Fixed	26 April 2021	Skipton Building Society	87,313.20	0.75%	1 Yr Fixed	21 May 2021	Total	711,134.25			
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228/20	<p>Planning Report.</p> <p>Applications.</p> <p>a) 20/02892/F Tawney Cottage, High Street, Deddington OX15 0SL Part two storey, part single storey rear extension. Lowered ridge height to rear projection, replace flat roof dormers with pitch. (Resubmission of 20/02023/F). This resubmission considers the neighbour concerns. . The neighbour is putting in an application to address these concerns. In doing this, the neighbour is happy to support the application. Cllr S O'Neill proposed, Cllr M Swadling seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) no objection.</p> <p>b) 20/02912/TCA Deddington Castle Grounds, Deddington. Tree Works. Mixed broadleaf tree line adjacent to access road to Deddington Castle - Crown raise low lateral branches to create a 4.5m clearance above the access road to allow emergency services unrestricted access. Cllr S O'Neill proposed, Cllr M Swadling seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) no objection</p> <p>c) 20/02907/TCA Castle End, Castle Street (Castle Grounds Tree works). T1 A mature Sycamore, crown raise by removing one small primary branch and one descending secondary branch. G1 A line of self-set Sycamore, Elm and Hawthorn growing on the castle bank within 3m of the track the trees have a heavy phototropic lean over the adjacent access track and neighbouring property, suppressed, poor form. Fell to reduce long term cost of retention and to appease the neighbour. Average DBH 150mm with one tree around 200mm. Cllr S O'Neill proposed, Cllr M Robinson seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) no objection</p> <p>d) 20/02572/LB Church Cottage, Church Street, Deddington. Secondary glazing to front windows. Cllr S O'Neill proposed, Cllr J Watts seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) no objection providing the conservation officer finds it acceptable.</p> <p>e) 20/030005/TCA Manor Farm, Hempton Road, Deddington. Tree Works T1, Birch, T2 x Plane, T4 x Sycamore, T5 x Maple - Crown reduce by up to 2.0m. T3 x Leylandii - Crown reduce by up to 3.0m due to neighbours' request. Cllr S O'Neill proposed, Cllr A Collins seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) no objection</p> <p>f) Cllr S O'Neill left the meeting before this item was discussed. 20/02083/OUT Land North of Hempton Road and west of Wimborn Close, Deddington. Outline for erection of 14 two storey dwellings. (PC has already commented upon). The developer was required to resubmit as CDC were not satisfied with the paperwork / layout. Council received objections which she forwarded to CDC and informed lead resident. Cllr D Rogers proposed, Cllr A Collins seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) the Council offers the same comment as before - no objection to this outline application subject to appropriate provision of open space within the development area.</p> <p>Approvals 20/02731/TCA Orchard House, Hopcraft Lane, Deddington. Tree works 20/02375/TCA Applewood, Castle Street, Deddington. Tree works 20/02495/F Home Farm Works, Clifton Road, Deddington. Retrospective change of use. Containers on west side of property. 20/02079/F Victoria House, Horse Fair, Deddington. Conversion of attic space.</p> <p>Withdrawals None Refusals None Appeals Bowler House appeal for single storey extension, still pending.</p>
229/20	<p>Neighbourhood Planning. Detailed submissions concerning potential sites have been requested by the end of November.</p>
230/20	<p>Large Scale Developments Working Group. None.</p>
231/20	<p>Thames Water meeting re flooding in Clifton – next steps Issues are being discussed with the Environment Agency, Thames Water, the Landowners and interested parties.</p>
232/20	<p>Environment and Recreation Working Group – Cllr M Robinson</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Tree work. Cllrs M Robinson and D Rogers to join Clerk in on site meeting at the Windmill copse. 2) Autumn litter pick. Thank were passed to Cllrs J Watts, M Swadling, T Timms and M Squires doing a litter pick in the driving rain.

	<p>3) Christmas tree. Going up 30 November</p> <p>4) Hempton planter: Clerk to thank Hempton residents responsible for cleaning village signs, and topping up and looking after village planters.</p> <p>5) Grass cutting. Clerk to thank the resident who has mown the stretch of grass verge by Swere Paddocks.</p> <p>6) The Lookout (old bowls pavilion). When Covid lockdown restrictions are eased, the WMC would like to hire out the space out for small-scale events. Phase 1: clean up then use as is; phase 2 involves appropriate removal of bats and installing a drain. Phase 1 to run for a trial year on the proviso that all rubbish must be removed after any event</p> <p>7) Cricket Club pavilion refurbishment. An application to be made by club to Football Foundation for a grant on behalf of football and cricket clubs to refurbish the cricket pavilion (add water and electricity, etc.). Cllr M Robinson proposed, Cllr H Oldfield seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) that they are in agreement with this application. There was also a suggestion that electrical supply be taken from the bowls pavilion to cricket pavilion (also container for Stewards workshop). There is enough capacity, it would be cheaper and less disruptive than running a cable from the Centre building.</p> <p>8) Container. The Steward to repaint.</p> <p>9) Pocket Park fence. Works to the East side of the park to take place on 20 and 21 December. Clerk to inform local resident and ask that their fence is replaced.</p> <p>10) Information board installation. Cllr T Timms and the Steward are installing this week.</p> <p>11) Rotating log. The quote has been accepted. Insurance will cover cost as vandalism</p>
233/20	<p>Highways and Transport.</p> <p>1) Earls Lane – Electric charging point- ongoing. In light of the comments received from the Head of Deddington Primary the Clerk will contact TVP with their concerns.</p> <p>2) Hopcraft Lane, Deddington-signs. An HGV sign has been offered, to be installed asap in Hopcraft Lane. The Clerk to request a further three and ask OCC's opinions on the best locations. The Clerk to write to Johnsons to ensure that their suppliers' preferred route is taken into account.</p> <p>3) Hempton Road Light. Thanks again passed to Cllr A Fatemian for grant to install this light.</p> <p>4) New St bollards. Clerk to chase.</p> <p>5) Super users. Training to be arranged when possible.</p> <p>6) Damaged - Bus Stop-ongoing. Order placed for replacement shelter. Insurance claim paid up less £100 excess.</p> <p>7) Crossing – Grove Court. A complaint was received from a resident of Grove Court. The Clerk to write to the resident listing the reasons why this has been investigated and rejected as unworkable in the past. To look at moving the warning sign closer to the Hudson Street and possible additional signage on the surface of the road. County Cllr A Fatemian to be asked.</p> <p>8) Earls Lane proposed pavement Earls Lane to Pound Court Concerns have been raised as the exact position and dimension of the new pathway. It may reduce parking should the width markedly narrow the road. If it is flush to the existing wall it may help to continue to enable parking for the Health Centre and the School but may have consequences for the foundation and stability of the wall.</p> <p>TRANSPORT – H. Oldfield</p> <p>9) Taxi Hire Company. Contacted the PC to say they are looking into supplying a 16-seater minibus service for the villages in the outskirts of Banbury. They wanted to know if the parish council could identify a need for such a service here. Cllr H Oldfield responded saying that Deddington is well served by S4 bus service, but no buses to Clifton or Hempton. So a shuttle bus between Clifton, Deddington and Hempton a couple of times a day might be welcome.</p> <p>10) The S4 buses. Are notably pretty empty during the day. The evening buses are even more empty which is a cause of frustration as the government is subsidising the new evening bus service. Should PC request late buses be suspended until post-covid? Agreed PC should not.</p>
234/20	<p>Update from the Parish Council Representatives. DCE. The Alms Houses have had their chimneys repaired.</p>
235/20	<p>Any other business. None.</p>
236/20	<p>Date of the next meeting: The next Parish Council meeting will take place on Wednesday 16 December 2020 at 7.30pm via Skype. The meeting closed at 9:36 pm</p>

