

	hedge at the burial ground to be trimmed regularly, and the gates to be repainted.
Access road to Burial Ground	Ongoing. The Clerk had reported the matter to Adkins.

6. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCILLORS

County Councillor – There was none.

District Councillor – Mrs Tomlinson reported back to the parish councillors on several issues, including

- Culham No. 1 site. There are a significant number of activities on site that do not have planning permission, or apply retrospectively. Mrs Tomlinson had asked SODC and learned that on acquisition of the site, the owner had assumed planning permission. Applications were submitted retrospectively. Enforcement at SODC aims to ensure all activities on site have been approved or ceased by 1 September 2008.
- Charges for car parking in Abingdon will increase from 1 April.
- The brown bin recycling charge will increase by £1.
- SODC is working with PostWatch regarding planned Post Office closures.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Various items of correspondence had been received during the month and distributed to the councillors. Items are listed on file.

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

a) Planning Applications received

P07/W1475/LB (Listed Building Consent) – Alterations to Clock House to include new clock face on tower and new bell chiming mechanism, new door to front porch and adjustment to hallway wall – Clock House, High Street, Culham. **Permission has been granted.** The Council was disappointed that its recommendation about a timing device being fitted to silence the chimes between 9 pm and 7 am had not been included. **The Clerk to write to SODC.**

9. FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) Payments

<i>Chq</i>	<i>Payee</i>	<i>For</i>	<i>£ detail</i>	<i>£ total</i>
1146	Oxford Green Belt Network	Annual subscription 1.4.08-31.3.09	15.00	
TOTAL PAYABLE				15.00

1147	J Beck	Salary (Feb 2008)	131.74	
		Expenses	10.00	
		Post & telephone	0.70	
		Printer cartridge	18.84	
		TOTAL PAYABLE		161.28
1148	South Oxfordshire District Council	Invoice no. 108009 to empty dog bins 1/4/07 to 31/12/07	166.84	
		VAT	29.20	
		TOTAL PAYABLE		196.04
1149	Campaign to Protect Rural England	Annual Subscription 2008/09	28.00	
		TOTAL PAYABLE		28.00
1150	Oxfordshire Playing Fields Association	Annual Membership 2008-09	30.00	
		TOTAL PAYABLE		30.00
TOTAL PAYMENTS				430.32

b) Receipts
None.

c) Insurance Cover on Playground

The installation of the new equipment has been completed. It was agreed that RoSPA should undertake a Post-Installation Inspection and that this would replace the annual safety inspection scheduled for August for this year. The Clerk to arrange inspection.

It was agreed that the Register of Assets should be updated, followed by review of insurance cover, after the Post-Installation was completed.

d) Grass-Cutting Contract 2008-2009

Quotes for the year 1 April 2008 to 31 March 2009 had been received from Berinsfield Community Business (BCB) and Jim Boyland Trading. The council agreed to renew the contract with BCB for the following tasks:

Task	Timing	Months Required
Cut and strim Culham Pond Green	Fortnightly	March - October
Cut, strim and litter-pick Culham Play Area and Playground Area	Fortnightly	March – October Once mid February Once end November

It was agreed that Jim Boyland Trading be contracted for the following tasks:

Task	Timing	Months Required
RoSPA checks to: • Burial Ground	Fortnightly	Throughout year

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small Pond • Glebe Playing Field and Equipment • Glebe Playground and Equipment 		
Cut and strim new burial ground	Fortnightly	March – October
Cut hedge and shrubs at new burial ground, remove all debris from site	Twice per year	March – October
Winter clear to Culham Pond Green (by church)	Once per year	March
Keep footpath to large pond clear through season	Monthly	March – October

e) Appointment of Internal Auditor

It was resolved to appoint Mr B Rollinson as Internal Auditor for the year ended 31 March 2008.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

a) Parking on the bend opposite The Green

It had been reported to the council that parking on the bend was dangerous to traffic. The Clerk had reported this to the police, but parking here was continuing. Cllrs Thomas and Bartley will monitor.

b) Public telephone box at The Glebe

Cllr Steele reported that this is out of order and has been reported to British Telecom.

c) The Lion public house

It was noted that The Lion is up for public auction.

d) Dog-walking at The Glebe Recreation Ground

Cllr Steele will write an article for the village newsletter to request that people stop walking dogs at the recreation ground.

e) Recreation Ground

Cllr Bartley reported that the shed roof is damaged. There is also debris around the shed to be cleared. It was agreed that the Clerk will obtain quotes for basic repairs to the shed roof and for clearance of the debris at the site.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30 pm - Monday 14th April 2008, followed by a short parish council meeting to address any urgent issues.

It was resolved to continue to continue to meet monthly for 2008-2009.

12. CLOSE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.10 pm.

Signed

Date