

## CULHAM PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting duly convened and held in Culham Parochial C of E School, Culham on Monday 11th September 2011.

**Present:** Cllrs T. Price (Chair), J. Woodley-Shead, A. Steele, A. Jones and J. Thomas.

**Present:** L. Dalby (Clerk) and two members of the public.

**1. Public Participation**

The members of the public expressed concern about the closure of the Waggon and Horses Pub. It was felt that without some financial support it would be extremely difficult for a new tenant to be found. The Clerk will find out what advice and support is available.

**2. Reports from County and District Councillors**

Cllr Lindsay-Gale provided a report which is held on file.

**3. Co-option onto the Council**

No further candidates have come forward.

**4. Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from County Councillor Lindsay- Gale.

**5. Declarations of personal and prejudicial interest**

There were none.

**6. Minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

The minutes were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

**7. Clerk's Report**

The Clerk reported that the County Council would like to provide the Council with a tonne of salt with which to keep a salt bin topped up. It was agreed that the Council should purchase a new salt bin to be sited near to the school and to store the spare salt in the shed on the recreation field.

There has been a request for permission to place a cremation tablet in the Cemetery. This was approved.

**8. Burial Ground Fees**

The table of burial fees was agreed and signed by the Chairman and the Clerk.

**9. Burial Ground Slope**

The Clerk is waiting for a response from the planning department.

**10. Fortnightly safety checklist**

Cllr Woodley-Shead is to repair the slide. It was agreed that the Clerk will find out how long is left to run on the Safety Inspection contract. Cllr Woodley-Shead is happy to attend training to be able to complete the safety inspections.

**11. Recreation Ground and Shed**

It was agreed that a committee should be formed to work towards building a new pavilion. Cllr Steele has looked into funding – it is available but a clear budget and plan are needed

before applying. It was agreed to ask for volunteers to attend the next Parish Council meeting.

The Clerk will write to the school inviting them to make use of the recreation field.

## 12. Status and ownership of The Green and Bridleway

It was agreed to ask the Open Spaces Society to ask SODC to enforce the planning conditions relating to the Village Green.

## 13. Planning Applications

### a) Applications received from District Council for Consultation

Ref	Proposed Development	PC Rec
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### b) Decisions of Local Planning Authority

Ref	Proposed Development	PC Rec	Decision
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## 14. Financial Matters

### a) Accounts for Payment

Payee and Reason	£ detail	£ VAT	£ total
J. Boyland - RoSPA Checks and maintenance	212.00	42.40	254.40
L. Dalby Clerks salary and expenses September	197.10		197.10
Post Office Ltd – PAYE September	29.20		29.20
Mr P Gibbs - shredder	200.00		200.00
BCB – grass cutting	148.50	29.70	178.20
J. Thomas – grass cutting	210.00		210.00
J. Woodley-Shead – new padlock	52.63		52.63

### b) Payments made between meetings

Payee and Reason	£ detail	£VAT	£ total
BCB – Grounds Maintenance	1039.50	207.90	1247.40
OALC – Accounts package	5.00	1.00	6.00
SODC – emptying dog bins	29.15	5.83	34.98
Mary Rickford – street party	139.10		139.10
J. Boyland - RoSPA Checks and maintenance	340.50	68.10	408.60
BDO Stoy Hayward – External Audit	135.00	27.00	162.00
L. Dalby Clerks salary and expenses August	152.99		152.99
Post Office Ltd – PAYE August	31.60		31.60

### c) Conclusion of Audit

The External Auditor has recommended that the Council increase its Fidelity Guarantee. The Clerk will find out how much this would cost.

## 15. Correspondence

The Council has been asked to comment on the review of the Octabus Dial-a-Ride scheme.

## 16. Items for inclusion on October's Agenda

There were none.

## 17. Future Meeting

The date of the next meeting of the council was confirmed as October 10<sup>th</sup> 2011 at the school, commencing at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 8.35pm.