

CULHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting duly convened and held in Culham Parochial C of E School, Culham on Monday 14th November 2011.

Present: Cllrs J. Woodley-Shead, J. Thomas, A. Steele, A. Jones and S. Casey-Rerhaye.

In attendance: L. Dalby (Clerk), District Cllr J. Cotton and one member of the public.

1. Election of Chairman

Cllr Steele nominated Cllr Woodley-Shead, this was seconded by Cllr Thomas.
Cllr Woodley-Shead was elected as Chairman.

2. Public Participation

There was a brief discussion with Mr Gibbs about the Community Building Project. Cllr Cotton gave some advice on available grants. It was agreed to visit various models in different villages.

3. Reports from County and District Councillors

Cllr Cotton reported that SODC and VWHDC are continuing to merge services. The Core Strategy EIP is ongoing.

4. Co-option onto the Council

Samantha Casey-Rerhaye was co-opted onto the Council.

5. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from County Councillor Lindsay-Gale.

6. Declarations of personal and prejudicial interest

There were none.

7. Minutes of the meeting held on 10th October 2011

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

8. Clerk's Report

The Clerk has reported the overhanging branches on Footpath 6 and requested that the ditch clearance on the A415 be included in the Area Stewardship scheme.

9. Burial Ground Slope

Cllrs Steele and Woodley- Shead will price up the necessary work.

10. Fortnightly safety checklist

All ok.

It was agreed that the Clerk would investigate transferring the safety checklist to a Parish Councillor Rota.

11. Community Building

It was agreed that the Committee should distribute a questionnaire in the village to find out the views of residents.

12. Village Green Oaks

As the oaks on the Village Green have now died it was agreed that the Clerk would find out if it was possible to move oaks saplings from the Rec to the Green.

13. Chickens in the Cemetery

Complaints have been received about chickens damaging graves in the cemetery. It was agreed that a Councillor would have a chat with the owners of the chickens.

14. Planning Applications

a) Applications received from District Council for Consultation

Ref	Proposed Development	PC Rec
P11/W1554	Erection of a single dwelling and extension to existing dwelling. 12 Tollgate Road, Culham	No objection

b) Decisions of Local Planning Authority

Ref	Proposed Development	PC Rec	Decision
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15. Financial Matters

a) Accounts for Payment

Payee and Reason	£ detail	£ VAT	£ total
J. Boyland - RoSPA Checks and maintenance	167.50	33.50	201.00
L. Dalby Clerks salary and expenses November	183.70		183.70
Post Office Ltd – PAYE November	28.80		28.80
Berinsfield Community Business – Grass Cutting	297.00	59.40	356.40
SODC – Servicing Dog Bins	29.15	5.83	34.98
Playsafety Ltd – Annual Play area Inspection	69.00	13.80	82.80
South and Vale Carers	150.00		150.00
Oxford Diocesan Glebe and Stipends – rent of Rec	587.67		587.67

b) The Clerks annual pay increment rise was confirmed.

16. Correspondence

All correspondence has been distributed.

17. Items for report and inclusion on December's Agenda

- Fly tipping in the village – Clerk to report.
- The Cycle Path and Causeway are in need of siding out. Clerk to report.
- There is a continuing problem with dog fouling in the rec – Clerk to report to PCSOs.

18. Future Meeting

It was agreed that the date of the next meeting would be December 12th 2011 at the school, commencing at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 9.05pm.

Signed.....Dated.....