

Odstock Parish Council

An Ordinary meeting of Odstock Parish Council was held on 25 November 2019 in the Barker Room, near Nunton Church.

Present: Sally Nelson (Chairman), Nigel Start (Vice-Chairman), Colin Berry, Rod Poynting, Stephen Stapley, Richard Parsons (Clerk), Wiltshire Cllr Richard Clewer and no members of the public.

Apologies Accepted: Thomas Newman and Barry Norris.

55/19 Open Public Forum: None.

56/19 Declaration of Interest: None.

57/19 Minutes of the Extraordinary OPC meeting held on 30 September were approved and signed by the Chairman.

58/19 Community Initiatives:

a) **Carboot Sales Days:** Cllr Poynting advised that the schedule of dates will be confirmed in the Spring.

b) **Picnic Benches:** OPC will arrange the purchase and installation of the new benches in the Spring.

c) **Britford Parish Council:** The Chairman has scheduled a meeting with BPC members to explore the possibility of merging with Odstock PC. Whilst most OPC members have reservations, the Chairman agreed to report back.

59/19 Nunton Recreation Field:

a) **Football:** The Clerk reported that Downton FC have yet to make a payment towards the October Invoice for £300.

b) **Play Equipment:** Cllr Berry agreed to arrange a meeting with his playground contact at Salisbury City Council.

c) **Play Area Fence:** It was agreed to delay the installation of the fence until the play equipment issues are resolved.

60/19 Transport, Roads and Footpaths:

a) **Wiltshire Council Highways:** The next Parish Steward's visit is imminent. The visits appear to be effective.

b) **Highways Act 1980:** Sections 79 & 154 are specific about the obligations of landowners adjacent to public highways.

c) **Community Speed Watch:** Cllr Start reported that although deployments are less frequent, they are effective.

d) **Speed Indicator Display (SID):** Further research on costs and practicality is needed before making a decision.

61/19 Planning: No new Planning Application to consider.

62/19 Reports and Correspondence:

a) **NALC & WALC:** Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No.2) Accessibility Regulations 2018.

b) **Wiltshire Southern Area Board:** The next meeting is in Alderbury Village Hall on 28 November, followed by the next meeting in Whiteparish Memorial Hall on 30 January 2020.

63/19 Finance:

a) **Internal Audit:** The current internal auditor has agreed to his appointment for the eighth consecutive year.

b) **OPC's Community Grants:** It was resolved to award a £600 grant to ONB PCC for Churchyard grass cutting.

c) **Precept Resolution for 2020-21:** £15,075 will equate to £58.95p for a Band D Council Tax payer.

d) **Payments:** The following were approved:

Bawden Contracting Services Ltd – Grass Cutting BACS £424.87p

Nunton Farm – Annual Rent BACS £400.00p

Nunton Farm – Hedge Cutting BACS £168.00p

HAC Joynt – Ground Maintenance BACS £120.00p

S Nelson – Locks from In-Excess BACS £8.80p

t signs ltd – Signs for Jubilee Gardens BACS £72.00p

Bawden Contracting Services Ltd – Grass Cutting BACS £424.87p

R Parsons – Clerk's salary and expenses, on account BACS £728.00p

Odstock with N&B PCC – Grass Cutting Grant BACS £600.00p

Southern Electric – Nunton Field Electricity DD £42.19p

64/19 Any Other Business (for information only): Wiltshire Cllr Clewer alerted OPC to the threat of water logging and potential flooding. The Environment Agency's website provides a flood warning system.

65/19 The Next Ordinary OPC meeting is scheduled for Monday, 10 February 2020.

The meeting closed at 9:06pm

Signed without amendment by the Chairman, Cllr Sally Nelson, as a true record on 10 February 2020.

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