

# Odstock Parish Council

## Minutes for Parish Council Budget Meeting held Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2022

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Odstock Parish Councillors met on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2022 for the Parish Council budget meeting held at the Barker Room, Nunton.

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**Present:** Cllrs Edward Riley (Chairman), Jackie Owen, Sally Nelson, Nigel Start, Colin Berry.

**Also, present:** Jay McGowan (Clerk), Cllr Richard Clewer

No members of the public were present at the meeting.

The meeting started at 7.30pm

### Agenda

#### **70.22 To receive and consider acceptance of apologies.**

**Resolved:** Apologies were received from Councillor Trubshaw, attending Councillors accepted his apologies.

As Cllr Newman has not attended any meetings since April 2022, Councillors agreed in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 s85 his seat is now vacant. The clerk will advertise the vacancy.

#### **71.22 Vacancies in Parish Council Office:** None.

**72.22 Declaration of Interest:** Councillors to disclose their interests in matters to be discussed and to decide requests for dispensation. None.

**73.22 To consider any urgent matters raised in the public session, and any other urgent matters or items from councillors. (For discussions only, no decisions can be taken) None.**

**74.22 To agree any items on the agenda that are to be dealt with following the exclusion of the press & public. None.**

**75.22 Minutes.** To approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022 meeting.

**Resolved:** All attending Cllrs approved the minutes as a true and accurate record. Signed by Cllr Riley.

#### **76.22 Budget. To consider and agree the financial budget for year 2023/24.**

**Resolved:** Councillors reviewed and agreed an estimate budget for 2023/24. It was proposed to increase the 2023/24 precept by 3% to £17,500.00 to cover the increased running costs of the Parish. All voted in favour of the increase.

**Resolved:** Councillor Riley proposed to award the Clerk a pay increase of 15% from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023, all voted in favour of the increase.

#### **77.22 Finance.**

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a) To note balance of accounts: (Finance Tracker circulated to Cllrs prior to the meeting).

Current: £7,172.51

Savings: £16,373.31

b) To approve schedule of payments.

**Resolved:** All payments considered and authorised.

Date	Payee	Particulars	Amount
09.09.2022	J McGowan	Reimbursement – admin	£ 7.98
26.09.2022	NetWise	Hosting/Domain	£420.00
30.09.2022	Bawden	Grass Cutting – 27382	£232.46
04.10.2022	J McGowan	Reimbursement – Cleaning Equip	£ 9.47
31.10.2022	J McGowan	Salary	£250.00
30.11.2022	J McGowan	Salary	£250.00
Total			£1,169.91

**78.22 Forthcoming Meetings**

**LHFIG Meeting:** 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2022 - TEAMS

**79.22 Correspondence**

**80.22 Items to be carried forward to the next meeting**

Councillors to consider an approach to LHFIG to upgrade the gravel footpath on Nunton/Odstock border.

**81.22 Date of next meeting**

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2022

**82.22 To close the meeting**

The meeting was brought to a close by Councillor Riley at 8.35pm.