

## APPLETON WITH EATON PARISH COUNCIL

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### Appleton with Eaton Parish Council meeting Appleton Village Hall Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at 7.15pm.

*Susan Blomerus* – Parish Clerk – 02.11.18

## MINUTES

**Present:** Mrs Susan Blomerus (Parish Clerk), Mrs Mary Carey, Mrs Liz Gilkes, Dr Mark Richards, Mrs Anna Yalci

**Also present:** Cllr Anda Fitzgerald-O'Connor, Mr Phil Neale, Mr Hjalmar Blomerus

**18/142 Apologies for Absence:** Mr John Adams, Mr Tony Sibthorp, Mr Darren Vinton

**18/143 Declarations of interest:** Mrs Mary Carey declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 18/152 as Mrs Carey volunteers at Citizen Advice.

**18/144 Public questions and statements:** None

**18/145 Reports from District and County Councillors:**

**Cllr Fitzgerald-O'Connor, Oxfordshire County Council:**

1. In October Ms Yvonne Rees was appointed as new joint chief executive for Oxfordshire County Council and Cherwell District Council following the redundancy of Mr Peter Clarke. A huge reorganisation is about to take place and the end result will be a unitary authority and this will stop duplication of services.
2. A new website has been launched to help adults, families and professionals to find care and support services such as care services to help people living at home. The website is called Live Well Oxfordshire – [www.livewell.oxfordshire.gov.uk](http://www.livewell.oxfordshire.gov.uk)
3. Priority fund – this year's allocation is almost finished. All the details are on the website: <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/community-and-living/thriving-communities/councillor-priority-fund>
4. Oxford Cambridge Expressway: There will be an Oxfordshire Parish Engagement Event at Botley Community Centre on Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018 between 14:30pm and 18:30pm.
5. Grit bins – It was advised to check the grit bins in Appleton and apply to have them filled: [www.Oxfordshire.gov.uk/residentroadandtransport/gritbin](http://www.Oxfordshire.gov.uk/residentroadandtransport/gritbin)
6. Harts Bridge closure: The bridge has been closed for repairs as defects were discovered after a structural survey was carried out by the Environment Agency in October 2018. Cllr Fitzgerald was informed that while the bridge is closed there is no means for the community to access the other side of the river as it is the only crossing point in the parish. The parish council asked Cllr Fitzgerald-O'Connor to try and get a push on the repairs or information on the repairs. The clerk will email Cllr Anda Fitzgerald-O'Connor with a brief outline of the situation.
7. Cumnor playground: A mother with her toddler found used needles in the playground. The incident has been reported to the authorities. It is best to be vigilant and keep an eye out. The parish council assured Cllr Fitzgerald-O'Connor that weekly checks are carried out at the playground in Appleton.

**Cllr Anthony Hayward, Vale of White Horse District Council:**

8. Cllr Hayward has asked for the Plough planning application to go to the full planning meeting.

**18/146 Minutes of the last meetings:** The minutes of the 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018 parish council meeting was signed as a true record.

**18/147 Matters arising from the previous meeting and not appearing elsewhere on the agenda:**

1. **A420 capacity and safety concerns:** The A420 meeting to identify common ground will take place on the 20<sup>th</sup> November at 6:30pm which is arranged by Fyfield and Tubney parish council.

**RESOLVED:** The clerk will email Mr Darren Vinton to ask if he is available to attend the meeting

2. **Neighbourhood plan:** The chairman of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, Mrs Claire Salmon, has asked the parish council's view on delaying the consultation until the New Year. A few points that the parish council made:
  - a. The conservation officer mentioned in his response for The Plough planning application that the Appleton with Eaton Neighbourhood Plan does not currently have a conservation area appraisal for the Appleton Conservation Area. Mrs Gilkes suggested that the Neighbourhood Steering Group look at doing the assessment. This will be passed on to the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group for consideration.
  - b. The grant application to assist with funding has not been actioned yet.

If the consultation is delayed then it will give the group a chance to amend the plan, do the appraisal of the conservation area and apply for funding. Mrs Salmon will be informed of these views.

**18/148 Clerks report:** None

**18/149 The Plough:** Update: Since the planning meeting on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> November, the letter of objection has been submitted. The agreed extension to respond to the planning application is still in place. The parish council will submit a second letter of objection once advice from a planning consultant has been received. The Conservation Officer's response to the planning application suggested that the community should be given the opportunity to provide further historical and communal evidence to support that the Plough public house has historically been active in involving the community in social events which utilise the rear beer garden. It was suggested to ask the community to send photographs of clubs using the garden and events that took place in the garden to the clerk.  
**RESOLVED:** The clerk will post a notice in the village shop, village noticeboard and website asking for any photos of events that took place in The Plough garden over the years.

**18/150 Access to Thames Path:** The parish council were asked to formally write to A. H. Cornish to ask if they would consider temporarily opening the footpath to the weir whilst the repairs are being carried out to Harts Bridge/Rainbow Bridge. It was agreed to request a response by the 1<sup>st</sup> December 2018 as the parish council will be discussing the closed bridge at the December parish council meeting.  
**RESOLVED:** The clerk will write to A.H. Cornish

**18/151 Condition of trees in the village:** The Willow Tree situated on the grass patch near Fettiplace needs pollarding.  
**RESOLVED:** The clerk will email the Environment Agency to find out if they are willing to pollard the tree.

**18/152 Citizen Advice grant request:** The parish council received a letter of thanks for last year's donation and a request for a donation for this year to support the service.  
**RESOLVED:** It was agreed to donate £50 to the Citizen Advice.

**18/153 Village website:** Mr Yalci, who currently manages the parish website, is unable to continue to manage the website due to work commitments. Mr Yalci pays £120 a year for the parish website. Mrs Leigh, the new parish clerk, will be taking over the management of the website. It was agreed that Mrs Leigh will need to meet with Mr Yalci for a handover. It was agreed that the annual payment for the website will be added to the parish council budget.  
**RESOLVED:** The clerk will email Mr Yalci to thank him for his hard work and dedication. The clerk will email Mrs Dymock to inform her that Mrs Leigh will be managing the website and thank her for all her hard work and dedication. The clerk will include the village website on the 2019-20 budget.

**18/154 Parking concerns:** To discuss the van parked on Netherton Road: The clerk has spoken to a police officer and has been informed that the person parking their van on the pavement is not breaking any laws and is only being inconsiderate.

**18/155 Planning**

Planning Decisions			
(i)	P18/V1882/HH	The Gables Oaksmere Appleton Abingdon OX13 5JS	Erection of balcony, with storage underneath at left side of outbuilding at rear of garden. <b>Planning permission is granted</b>
(ii)	P18/V1765/LB	Hythe Cottage Eaton Abingdon Oxfordshire OX13 5PR	Restoration of Inglenook Fireplace <b>Listed building consent granted</b>
(iii)	P18/V2335/FUL P18/V2336/LB	57 Eaton Road Appleton Abingdon OX13 5JH	New dwelling, relocate access, and rebuild stone boundary wall <b>Listed building consent is granted</b> <b>Planning permission is granted</b>

<b>Planning Appeals</b>
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| <b>(i)</b> | <b>Appeal Ref:</b><br><b>APP/V3120/W/17/3192126</b> | 96 Netherton Road,<br>Appleton, ABINGDON,<br>OX13 5LA | The appeal is made under section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 against a refusal to grant planning permission seeking enlargement to No. 96 Netherton Road (as per householder enlargements already approved under applications P16/V0144/PDH and P16/V0074/HH) and subsequent subdivision into two self-contained two-bed dwellings (each with 2 No. car parking spaces and private<br><b>Appeal dismissed</b> |
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**18/156 Finance:**
**a. Payments and receipts**

<b>Invoices</b>			
<b>490</b>	<b>Clerks salary and expenses:</b> October 2018		See attachment
<b>491</b>	<b>Ady Podbery:</b> Gang mow the sportsfield/strimming of carpark, pavilion, nets	£412.80	<b>Approved</b>
<b>492</b>	<b>Appleton Community Shop:</b> stationery	£20.47	<b>Approved</b>
<b>493</b>	<b>A.H. Cornish:</b> Annual rent for the playground	£814.37	<b>Approved</b>
<b>494</b>	<b>Open Spaces Society:</b> Annual membership	£45.00	<b>Approved</b>
<b>Income received</b>			
	<b>Private hiring of the sportsfield pavilion</b>		£50.00
	<b>Appleton cricket club: ground hire</b>		£750.00
	<b>HMRC: Vat refund</b>		£1318.71
	<b>Donation towards professional fees for The Plough planning application</b>		£1150.66

**18/157 Publications and correspondence:**

- a. Letter from NHS: 'Help us help you' information
- b. SSE Energy: Notification of electricity rate change advisement

**18/158 Matters for report:** None

**18/159 Date of the next meeting:** The next meeting of the Parish Council is to be held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at 7:15 in the village Hall.