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Appleton with Eaton Parish Council (AWE PC) Meeting held in the Village Hall Monday 13th June 2022, 7:15pm

Allison Leigh – Parish Clerk

Minutes

Present: Chairman Liz Gilkes (The Chairman), Vice Chairman Mary Carey (MC), Councillor Sue Sternberg (SS) and Clerk, Allison Leigh (the Clerk)

22/59: Election of Chairman: MC nominated LG for Chairman and SS seconded the nomination. LG accepted the role of Chairman until the meeting on the 18th July 2022.

22/60: Declaration of Acceptance: The Chairman and Vice Chairman signed the Declaration of Acceptance

22/61: Apologies for Absence: Councillors Andy Salmon (AS), Teresa Bennett (TB), Stephen Day (SD) and John Adams (JA)

22/62: Declarations of interest: None

22/63: Public questions and statements: Members of the pubic thanked the Parish Council for its funding of the Jubilee events which enabled many of the amenities that were in place over the weekend of celebrations.

Members of the pubic very much enjoyed the Jubilee events.

22/64: Reports from District and County Councillors: There was no report from Oxfordshire County Council. The Vale of White Horse District Council sent a report. See Attachment 1.

22/65: Minutes of the last meetings: The minutes of the Parish Council meeting on the 9th May 2022 and the Annual Parish Council Meeting on the 23rd May 2022 were agreed and signed as a true record. The draft minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of the 24th May 2022 were agreed as a draft for the website to be signed at the next Annual Parish Meeting.

22/66: Matters arising from the previous meetings and not appearing elsewhere on the agenda:

- The Parish Council would like the Clerk to send a thank you letter to Jane Cranston and Richard and Felicity Dick for their work on the Jubilee celebrations.
- The Council noted TB is still looking for a place for the hornbeam tree donated by Frosts, to be formally planted.

- It was noted that the Ukrainian coffee mornings are working well and aiding families from various parishes to integrate with each other.
- The Clerk reported that all comments to the Planning Inspectorate for the Definitive Map Modification Order regarding footpath from Appleton Landing to Northmoor Lock are in and it is now closed. The Council will now await the decision from the Planning Inspectorate.

22/67: Clerk's report: The Council reviewed and acknowledged the Clerk's Report.

22/71: Pre-school: The Pre-School Working Group reported they have a draft questionnaire for all residents of the parish to express their views on the changes to the village hall that will be needed to create a suitable space for a new pre-school. It was noted that it would be useful to have a note in the July Advertiser letting residents know that a questionnaire will be distributed to all residents with regards to the proposed pre-school. The Council also noted that in this article, it would like to express its support of the objective of re-establishing pre-school provision in the village.

SS will send the amended questionnaire to the Village Hall Committee for approval by 21st June.

The Pre-School working group will ask Nick Withers to design the questionnaire and design a poster.

The questionnaire will come in the July Advertiser as a separate flyer and give a completion date of 15th July.

22/68: Asset of Community Value (ACV)

• **Eight Bells:** The Parish Council wishes to re-apply for the Eight Bells to be listed as an asset of community value with the Vale of the White Horse. The expiration of the current ACV is 15/9/2022. MC will start to pull together the information that is needed for the application, liaising with pub users and Eaton residents. The expiration of the current ACV is 15/9/2022.

22/69: Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Points: The Parish Council noted that at the Annual Parish Meeting the subject of EV charging points was raised. The Council asked the Clerk to pass this onto the Village Hall Committee for consideration.

22/70: Meeting document policy: The Council noted that often correspondence for PC meetings is received late on the day of the meeting when it can't be properly reviewed by Councillor's prior to the meeting. The Council requests that any correspondence to be considered at a Monday meeting be sent to the Clerk by 5pm the Friday before meeting. The Clerk will note this on all future agendas.

22/72: Planning applications:

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Application number	Address	<u>Details</u>	Vale of White Horse District Council Response
P22/V0935/HH	110 Eaton Road Appleton OX13 5JJ	Replacement roof onto existing conservatory	Permission granted

22/73: Finance:

• Finance Report:

Payments authorised

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Payment</u> <u>Method</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Date</u>
Lloyds Bank	Paper, Zoom, Flowers for	Online	109.29	3/5/2022
	Ukrainian family, Ink Monthly fee	payment		
Sharky and George	Balance for Jubilee	Online	337.40	26/5/2022
		payment		
	Staff costs	Online	581.93	30/6/2022
Staff costs		payment		
Allison Leigh	Clerk expenses	Online	26.00	13/6/2022
		payment		
HMRC	PAYE	Online	16.80	13/6/2022
		payment		
Dark White Digital	Website Hosting and WordPress	Online	30.00	13/6/2022
	updates	payment	*	
Appleton	Envelopes, refreshments for	Online	44.90	13/56/2022
Community Shop	Ukrainian coffee mornings,	payment		
	refreshments for Annual Parish			
	Meeting			
Liz Gilkes	Roses	Online	40.00	13/6/2022
		payment		
Foremost Print	Printing of Jubilee programs and	Online	276.60	13/6/2022
	inserts	payment		
Ady Podbery	Mowing and strimming at	Online	351.60	13/6/2022
	sportsfield and pavilion	payment		
Jane Cranston	Prizes for Jubilee	Online	146.31	13/6/2022
		payment		
Abingdon Stone and	Deposit for cleaning of and	Online	391.80	13/6/2022
Marble	moving of the path/step to the	payment		
	War Memorial			
3 Villages Comet	Donation	Online	350.00	13/6/2022
Bus Group		payment		

Receipts since the last meeting

From	ltem	<u>Amount</u>	Date
Appleton Youth	Use of sportsfield and pavilion	350.00	30/5/2022
Football Club			
Resident	Use of sportsfield and pavilion	30.00	30/5/2022
Appleton Cubs and	Use of sportsfield and pavilion	350.00	30/5/2022
Scouts			

Bank Reconciliation

Reconciled balance as of 31/5/2022	51,811.96
unpresented receipts	0.00
Unpresented cheques	0.00
Payments	4871.40
Receipts	15,243.92
Bank balance as of 31/5/2022	51,811.96

• Donation request:

- **Comet Bus:** The Parish Council resolved to donate £350 to the 3 Villages Comet Bus Group.
- **CiLCA:** The Parish Council resolved for the Clerk to take the course to obtain the CiLCA qualification as this cost will be split with another council.

21/74: Website and Advertiser: The Council asked for the following items to be put in the July Advertiser:

- Notice making residents aware the pre-school questionnaire is in the Advertiser and encouraging everyone to fill it in (this should be on the website as well)
- A thank you to all involved with the Jubilee along with quotes of thanks
- Notice saying the Village Photo is on the website (the Clerk to put this on the website)
- Notice about the use of the 63 bus and Comet Bus

22/75: Publications and correspondence:

The Council reviewed the correspondence since the last meeting. Two items discussed were:

- The Council received a donation request from the Friends of Appleton School. The Clerk will put this on the July agenda for discussion. The Council noted it is inclined to donate. The Clerk will make the Friends of Jubilee Park aware.??? Is it Jubilee park or the school?
- The Council received an email from the Appleton Trust asking the Parish Council to support their selection of a candidate for Trustee. The Council was happy to support both trustees that Appleton Trust had identified.

22/76: Matters for report: There were no matters for report.

22/77: Date of the next meeting: The date of the next Parish Council meeting was changed to the 18th July 2022 in the Village Hall and the Leisure and Recreation Committee will be held on the 11th July 2022 in the Pavilion.

The meeting closed at 9:10pm.

Thames Ward Update - June 2022

1. Boundary Review: I have had nothing further from the Chair of the Boundaries' Committee (Cllr Ron Batstone) since being reassured by him that the meeting held on 07 Mar 22 had been called for the sole purpose of discussing and deciding on terms of reference and nothing else. As stated in my May update the matter of possible boundary changes affecting parishes within Thames Ward is NOT on the agenda.

2. The Oxford - Cambridge ARC proposal: The Government, of course, still wants to make housing and planning a key issue and wants to identify the most sustainable locations for residential development and, as stated in my last update, to make the proposal more palatable there will be more of a focus on brownfield sites and the building of affordable housing. Of course, in the current circumstances the government attention is focussed on more pressing matters. I should add that we are now being offered a narrower range of options; importantly, we will not have the same power to influence planning decisions.

3. Thames Water Reservoir proposal: Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) continues to call for revived plans to build a seven square kilometre reservoir between Abingdon, Steventon and East Hanney to be dropped.

A draft regional plan for securing future water supplies includes proposals for the south east strategic reservoir option (SESRO), which would cost up to £1.4 billion. Similar proposals were rejected by the government in 2011 following a public inquiry. Again, I must emphasise that the OCC enumerated 14 particular concerns about SESRO (South East Strategic Reservoir Option) which are as stated in my update of April 2022. The proposed reservoir scheme, were it to go ahead, would have serious detrimental impacts on the environment and local people and as you are aware consultation ended on 14 Mar '22 and that Oxfordshire County Council was very clear about calling for the proposed scheme to be scrapped.

4. There was a very real fear that Thames Ward would be left with very little in the way of a bus service. Fortunately, Thames Travel stepped in to provide one (the 63) when Pulhams ceased operating its service in early May 22.

5. All PCs are asked to make any final comments via me wrt to the Joint Local Plan by 23 June.

Jerry Avery