

APPLETON WITH EATON PARISH COUNCIL

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**Appleton with Eaton Parish Council (AWE PC) Meeting
held in the Village Hall
Monday 18th July 2022, 7:15pm**

Allison Leigh – Parish Clerk

Minutes

Present: Chairman Liz Gilkes (the Chairman), Vice Chairman Mary Carey (MC), Councillors John Adams (JA), Teresa Bennett (TB), Stephen Day (SD), Andy Salmon (AS) and Sue Sternberg (SS) and Clerk, Allison Leigh (the Clerk)

22/82: Election of Chairman: The Council is happy for LG to carry on as Chairman and she is happy to carry on.

22/83: Declaration of Acceptance: LG signed the Declaration of Acceptance at the June meeting.

22/84: Apologies for Absence: None

22/85: Declarations of interest: None

22/86: Public questions and statements: No members of the public were present.

22/87: Reports from District and County Councillors

Oxfordshire County Council (OCC)

There was no report.

Vale of White Horse District Council (VoWHDC)

J. Avery sent a report. See ATTACHMENT 1

22/88: Minutes of the last meetings: The minutes of the Parish Council Parish Council Meetings of 13th June and 28th June 2022 were agreed and signed as a true record.

22/89: Matters arising from the previous meetings and not appearing elsewhere on the agenda: None.

22/90: Clerk's report: The Council acknowledged the Clerk's Report.

- The Council requested the Clerk to express interest in the Electric Vehicle charging points.
- The Clerk had written to Sovereign Housing about the possibility of planting a tree at Town Furlong. The Council asked the Clerk to follow up with a phone call.

22/91: Code of Conduct: The Council reviewed the Code of Conduct from the Vale of White Horse District Council and resolved to adopt it.

22/92: Salt Bins: The Council resolved not to have additional salt for winter and/or any additional salt bins as the salt bins are all topped up.

22/93: War Memorial Garden:

TB reported that those tending to the War Memorial Garden have asked if the Parish Council would be willing to hire a brown bin for the garden waste from the War Memorial Garden and the grass outside the Village Hall. The Council is happy to proceed with a bin and the Clerk will ask the residents tending to the garden where they'd like it.

The Clerk reported she had sent a letter to Appleton House with regards to whether they would like to take over the maintenance of the War Memorial Garden. SS will follow up with Appleton House.

22/94: Asset of Community Value (ACV)

- **Eight Bells:** MC is working on the Asset of Community Value, which is a work in progress.
 - JA to speak to Sheehan's to inform them of the application
 - MC is working on testimonials
 - One of the key questions on the application is who would come together were the pub to come up for sale. MC is working on this aspect along with an Eaton resident.

22/95: Pre-school: The survey has been designed and the Working Group has the next step to work with the Village Hall Committee to finalise the survey with a view to it being sent out in September.

The Council resolved to pay for half of the cost of printing of the surveys with the Village Hall paying the other half.

22/96: Update on footpaths: It was reported that the path to Besselsleigh Wood is very overgrown with brambles across it and it has become impossible to walk on. The Council asked the Clerk to contact OCC to clear it. If necessary, a local working group may be able to assist.

22/97: Leisure and Recreation (L&R) Committee Terms of Reference: JA and MC reported that the L&R Committee discussed this at the recent L&R meeting. The Council resolved for at least 2 Parish Councillors to be on the Committee and as many non-Parish Councillors as wish to be on it. The Council also resolved for any budgetary decisions over £1000 to come to the Parish Council as well as any large decisions. The Clerk will update the Terms of Reference to reflect this.

22/98: Planning applications:

New applications

<u>Application number</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>AWEPC Comments</u>
P22/V1551/HH	4 Netherton Road Appleton	Proposed first floor extension	AWEPC has no comments on this planning application.
P22/V1570/FUL	Former Hills Nurseries Netherton Road Appleton OX13 5QN	Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) on application P16/V1986/FUL - to improve the design's ecological and social sustainability. Proposed conversion and redevelopment to provide 2 no. five bed dwellings with associated ancillary structure and provision of separate access arrangements.	AWEPC has no comments on this planning application.
P22/V1613/HH	Holly Tree House Park Lane Appleton Abingdon	Removal of existing ground floor conservatory. Ground floor extension. First floor extension and related alterations. New window to east side elevation to existing bedroom and new window to family bathroom. New Velux rooflight to existing roof on east side.	AWEPC has no comments on this planning application.

Planning Amendments

<u>Application number</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Details</u>
P22/V0900/LB	Woodmore House 2 Park Lane Appleton	Installation of 8 x 1.8 sq m (3.2kWp) solar PV panels on rear SW-facing roof minor and retrospective permission for the two existing small rooflights (as amended by plans received on 21-06-2022).
P22/V0719/HH	Thatched Tavern Appleton	Bat Emergence & Re-entry Surveys

Planning Decisions

<u>Application number</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Vale of White Horse District Council Response</u>
P22/V0900/LB	Woodmore House 2 Park Lane Appleton Abingdon	Installation of 8 x 1.8 sq m (3.2kWp) solar PV panels on rear SW-facing roof minor and retrospective permission for the two existing small rooflights (as amended by plans received on 21-06-2022).	Permission granted.

22/99: Finance:

- **Finance Report:**

Payments authorised

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Payment Method</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Date</u>

Mr J A Carey	Band for Jubilee lunch	Online payment	250.00	6/6/2022
Sharky George	Additional payment for Jubilee for increased number	Online payment	132.00	6/6/2022
Lloyds Card	Zoom, table tennis balls and bats, shop parasol and stand, ink refund, service charge	Online payment	134.59	20/6/2022
Staff costs	Staff costs	Online payment	582.13	31/7/2022
Staff costs	Staff costs	Online payment	582.13	31/8/2022
Allison Leigh	Clerk expenses: July and August	Online payment	52.00	18/7/2022
HMRC	Staff costs	Online payment	16.80	18/7/2022
Dark White Digital	Website Hosting and WordPress updates	Online payment	30.00	18/7/2022
OALC	CiLCA training for Clerk (half AWEPC, half covered by North Leigh PC)	Online payment	165.00	18/7/2022
Ady Podbery	Mowing and strimming at Sportsfield and fuel surcharge	Online payment	305.76	18/7/2022
BGG	Grass cutting at Jubilee Park	Online payment	72.00	18/7/2022
Appleton Community Shop	Stamps and refreshments for Ukrainian coffee mornings	Online payment	15.41	18/7/2022
OALC	Playground training (half AWEPC, half covered by North Leigh PC)	Online payment	66.00	18/7/2022
Unity Trust Bank	Quarterly Service Charge	Direct Debit	18.00	30/6/2022
Friends of Appleton School	Donation	Online payment	1000.00	18/7/2022

Receipts since the last meeting

<u>From</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Date</u>
HMRC	VAT reclaim	3266.02	1/6/22
Mary Carey	Monies from Jubilee bar	82.34	9/6/2022

Bank Reconciliation

Bank balance as of 30/6/2022	52,372.49
Receipts	18,592.28
Payments	7,659.23
Unpresented cheques	0.00
unpresented receipts	0.00
Reconciled balance as of 30/6/2022	52,372.49

- **Donation request from Friends of Appleton School:** The Council considered the donation request from the Friends of Appleton School. The Council resolved to donate £1000 as it has been an exceptional year with new children from Ukraine joining the school.
- **Budget against spent through 30th June 2022:** The Council reviewed the budget against spend and had no comments.

21/100: Website and Advertiser: The Council considered the draft the Clerk circulated for the Advertiser. The Council would like to add a note that parking on the road instead of the pavement will aid in slowing traffic speed.

22/101: Publications and correspondence: The Council considered the correspondence since the June meeting. The Council discussed a correspondence from a resident regarding speed and will send them the detailed speed report for clarification.

22/102: Matters for report:

- The Council discussed looking into adding to the Village photo taken at the Jubilee weekend and adding people's names to it for historical purposes. The clerk will contact the History group regarding this.
- The Clerk will put more photos from the Jubilee on the website.

22/103: Date of the next meeting: To confirm the date and location of the next Parish Council meeting as the 12th September 2022 at 7:15pm in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8:20pm.

ATTACHMENT 1

1. Boundary Review: I have received an update from the Chair of the Boundaries' Committee (Cllr Ron Batstone) wrt to this matter and have been notified by him that all proposed boundary changes in relation to the Vale will be on the agenda of a meeting to be held on 12 September 2022.

Again, as stated in my last update the matter of possible boundary changes affecting parishes within Thames Ward is NOT currently on that agenda. However, I would add a note of caution at this juncture.

As you are all aware, Lioncourt originally submitted a planning application (P18/V2790/O) in November 2018 prior to the adoption of the local plan Pt 2 in October 2019, which then allocated the site which lies in the parish of Fyfield & Tubney adjacent to the parish of Kingston Bagpuize. Following that in February 2021, Lioncourt's bid to build 660 houses on the site was rejected. However, since then Lioncourt has submitted a revised bid (P22/V0248/O) which seeks to address the reasons for rejection of its bid in 2021 and the Vale Planning Committee will be considering that revised application in a meeting to be held in September 2022.

Of course, should the new bid be successful because it meets the key conditions then the question of a boundary change involving the parishes concerned will be revisited.

2. The Oxford - Cambridge ARC proposal: As matters now stand the government still wishes to press ahead with the scheme. Again, I must stress that the Vale of the White Horse District Council continues to express deeply-felt concerns.
3. Thames Water Reservoir proposal: There has been no change wrt the position of Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) which remains very much opposed to the proposal to build a seven square kilometre reservoir between Abingdon, Steventon and East Hanney.