

CURBRIDGE AND LEW PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
Parish Hall, Curbridge, Monday 9th January 2023, 6pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs. Glenn Gannon (Chair), Mark Wilson, Angela Boddington, Phil Boddington, Patrick Foley

IN ATTENDANCE: Howard Higgins (Clerk & RFO), Ted Fenton (County Cllr.), 1 member of the public.

89. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Ben Woodruff (District Cllr.).

90. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

None.

91. PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCY

Clerk is awaiting confirmation from West Oxfordshire District Council that no election has been called before any co-option process can begin.

92. MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 5th December 2022, which had previously been circulated, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

93. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

94. COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS

No update on District Council matters as District Councillor not present.

Concerns have been raised again about the safety of the Attenuation ponds by the Main Road/Downs Road junctions. This matter is now in hand with Oxfordshire County Council and appropriate measures are expected to be put in place.

Ted provided an update on County Council matters. The anticipated closure of Botley Road in Oxford has been delayed (dates not known) and in turn this has delayed the introduction of the Oxford traffic filters. County Council budget is not finalised.

Patrick raised issue of the poor state of Yelford Road and this will be reported on Fixmystreet.

Ted confirmed £1,500 funding will be made available from the County Councillor Priority fund towards the Parish Hall roof repairs and more may be available depending on what is left after other applications addressed. Thanks expressed to Ted.

Ted left the meeting

95. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- 22/03387/FUL – Construction of an adventure golf course, bar and outdoor seating area. Witney Lakes Golf Centre, Downs Road. RESOLVED: No comments.
- 22/03314/S73 – Variation of condition 2 of planning permission 21/02175/FUL to include solar PV on the roof slopes of the properties and to include an additional dormer window to Plot 3. Land West Of Glebe Cottage, Lew Road, Curbridge. RESOLVED: No comments.

96. FINANCE

Third quarter review provided by clerk. Payments: Play area inspection (£31.72 x 2); Bench maintenance (£270); Noticeboard Jubilee sign (£238.80); Wages (£400); PAYE (£270); Defibrillator parts (£112.80); Printer & computer (£78.45); Parish hall electricity (£362.93). Bank balance as at 1st January 2023 = £16,798.53.

Clerk is still awaiting approval from WODC to the use of S106 funds towards new Play Area equipment.

97. WELL LANE PLAY AREA AND PLAYING FIELD

December inspection signed by Chairman. Same outstanding issues with no anticipated dates provided by the contractor.

98. SUNDRY NOTICES

- Glenn has contacted roofing contractor to confirm approval for the repairs to the Parish Hall roof to commence.
- Mark has provided new parts to the Parish Hall Defibrillator and this is also subject to a manufacturer recall. There is also an issue arising with the Lord Kitchener defibrillator due to the power being switched off. Mark has contacted the caretaker of the premises to address this matter.
- The Parish Council regret to report the sad news of the passing of John Ackerman who served as the Parish Clerk for many years.

Next Meeting - Monday 13th February.

Glenn Gannon, Chair of the Council
Signed 13th February 2023