

**CURBRIDGE AND LEW PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting**  
**Parish Hall, Curbridge, Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2023, 6pm.**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs. Glenn Gannon (Chair), Mark Wilson, Phil Boddington, Angela Boddington, Patrick Foley, Jenny O'Sullivan.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Howard Higgins (Clerk & RFO), 3 members of the public.

**39. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Adrian Walsh (District Cllr).

**40. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS AND OFFICERS**

None.

**41. MINUTES**

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2023, which had previously been circulated, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**42. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA**

None.

**43. COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS**

County Councillor not present so no update on County Council matters. District Councillor not present so no update on District Council matters.

- Main Road traffic speed & Speedwatch. Discussion about the traffic speed and latest info from Oxfordshire County Council along with costs in moving the 30mph sign. Some volunteers for Speedwatch and costs of required equipment need to be established. Mark has contacts with those who operate the scheme in Bampton and will find further details. RESOLVED: Survey of Main road residents to be organised in respect of options being reduction to 20mph, moving 30mph limit towards Downs Road, traffic calming entering Curbridge from Downs Road direction.
- Downs Road traffic speed. No update available in respect of request for more roundels. OCC have stated vegetation has been cut back. There is local awareness of speeding traffic along Downs Road. RESOLVED: Clerk to contact Ted in respect of possible vehicle activated sign for Downs Road given the success of similar through Lew.
- Witney High Street and Market Square Community Engagement. Parish Council made aware of a stakeholder event looking into the traffic arrangement for the High Street.
- Alleviation ponds update. Glenn and Clerk met with a representative of the managing company on site. The company is to arrange for installation of signs and lifebelts to be installed as well as improving site security. Discussion about the need for a guard rail to stop the possibility of cars crashing through from the A40 into the pond. RESOLVED: Clerk to request support of Ted in pressing for an appropriate guard rail to be installed by the developers at this site.

**44. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- 23/01732/FUL - The removal of existing residential development and the development of one new dwelling and associated works. The Bungalow, Station Road, Lew. RESOLVED: No comments.
- 23/02035/S73 - Variation of conditions 10 and 11 of planning permission 22/00788/FUL to allow changes to part of the approved surfacing from permeable block paving and decorative gravel to tarmac with a transition strip of granite setts. Curbridge Downs Farm, Burford Road. RESOLVED: No comments.

#### **45. FINANCE**

Payments: Play area inspections (£34.88 x 2); Electricity (£82.50), Wages (£360, £50). Bank balance as at 1<sup>st</sup> August 2023 = £17,654.80. Concerns expressed over grass cutting but payments to be made.

#### **46. WELL LANE PLAY AREA AND PLAYING FIELD**

July inspection signed by Chairman. Glenn has arranged for gardener to remove weeds and cut back brambles encroaching over fence. Glenn advised waiting for contractor to install roundabout and address multi-play equipment needs.

#### **47. SUNDRY NOTICES**

- Monthly checklist for Parish Hall. New monthly checklist drafted to help with H&S checks but not yet finalised.
- Parish Hall improvements. The floor has been sanded ready for treatment. Glenn obtaining quotes for a new front door.
- Parish notice board (Well Lane). Clerk reported repair already required and concern expressed over the suitability of the notice board. RESOLVED: Quotes to be obtained for a replacement notice board.
- Brize Norton Neighbourhood Plan. Gratitude expressed for providing this document to the Parish Council.
- Lord Kitchener field. Report of some dead trees around the perimeter of the field. Arrangements to be made for their removal.

Meeting closed at 6.30 p.m.

**Next Meeting** - Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September.

**Glenn Gannon, Chair of the Council**  
**Signed 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023**