**GARSINGTON PARIS****H COUNCIL –**

The Monthly Meeting of the Parish Council was held in the village hall on Monday 7th March 2022 at 7.30pm. The Chair was Cllr Paul Bolam, present were Cllrs Ian Ashley, Anne Eastwood, Mike Patrick, Richard Betteridge, Judy Westgate, Claire Green, County Cllr Robin Bennet, District Cllr Elizabeth Gillespie with L Stevenson in attendance. Cllr Matthew Dovey attended via remote camera link to observe

7 members of the public were present, representations had been asked for by letter or email

3/22/1 Apologies for Absence

County Cllr Robin Bennett – attending another meeting, may arrive late

Cllr Chris Wright – work meeting

Cllr Paul Bolam was elected Chair for the meeting, proposed by Cllr Richard Betteridge and seconded by Cllr Claire Green

All accepted

3/22/2 Declarations of Interest

No declarations of Interest.

3/22/3 Public Participation

A resident enquired about the forthcoming planning enquiry for Kiln Lane and the support of the Parish Council. Cllr Paul Bolam confirmed that the Parish Council will retain the services of the Barrister for this appeal. District Cllr Elizabeth Gillespie and Chair Chris Wright will attend the appeal

A resident spoke against the planning application submitted by the Parish Council for the erection of a small statue dedicated to the visit made by Pablo Picasso to Garsington in 1919. Another resident also spoke against the Parish Council planning application

This was considered later under item 11 Planning

3/22/4 Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 7th February 2022

Minutes were altered to read ‘Cllr Paul Bolam had contacted ‘Playdale’,

Minutes were then agreed and signed

3/22/5 Matters Arising from the Minutes not covered elsewhere on the Agenda

Regarding the reported dead and dying trees along the field edge on Wheatley Road, Cllr Richard Betteridge reported that the trees had been cut.

Regarding the Elm Drive ramp, Cllr Richard Betteridge offered to check to see if both shops were operating.

Regarding organising a village litter pick, Cllr Claire Green stated that there was not widespread litter, only pockets outside the 30MPH on Wheatley Rd and Oxford Rd. District Cllr Elizabeth Gillespie offered to arrange for this to be cleared.

Regarding the BT cabinet, Cllr Matthew Dovey had sent round an email to say that a BT surveyor would look at the site to see if the box could be placed behind the current one.

Cllr Paul Bolam informed the meeting that Cllr Chris Wright had responded to the resident following their concerns over speeding traffic. He also informed the meeting that Cllr Chris Wright had also written to the PCC regarding consecration of the new burial ground

3/22/6 County Councillor’s Report - circulated

Regarding the trees on the green at Combewell, Cllr Ian Ashley had reinstated this on ‘Fix My Street’ that day as it had been removed once the trees were inspected. It was also reported that the hedge on the parallel path had not been cleared sufficiently nor the trees cut back. County Cllr Robin Bennett agreed to chase this up.

Regarding the school crossing and pinch points on Wheatley Road, County Cllr Robin Bennett stated that the CIL bid decision had been deferred to the present week.

Regarding the road surface condition in Southend, Cllr Ian Ashley will again put this on ‘Fix My Street’. Cllr Ian Ashley urged all to put issues onto ‘Fix My Street’ and if no action taken, or nothing resolved, contact Cllr Ian Ashley who will send a chase email to the officer.

Regarding the CIL bid for the school crossing and Wheatley Road pinch points, the decision had been deferred to the current week

County Cllr Robin Bennett urged the Parish Council to respond to the consultation on the local transport connectivity plan which was still open.

3/22/7 District Councillor’s Report

District Cllr Elizabeth Gillespie stated that presently residents were unable to offer their own homes to Ukrainian refugees for accommodation.

Regarding the litter bin survey, District Cllr Elizabeth Gillespie will contact the officer responsible for the survey.

Cllr Ian Ashley offered to draft a comment on the CIL s106 consultation regarding a Planning Authority to not grant planning permission until proper surface water drainage and sewage treatment infrastructure is in place. Cllr Ian Ashley will circulate the documents and links and offered to circulate wider.

3/22/8 To set the date for the Annual Parish Meeting

It was agreed to hold the Annual Parish Meeting on 9th May before the monthly parish council meeting

3/22/9 Operation London Bridge – death of a public figure

This was discussed and agreed that the Clerk would contact the Vicar to consult regarding a shared book of condolence

3/22/10 Finance.

The budget monitoring report had previously been circulated

The 3year grass cutting contract 2022-2024 tender documents had previously been circulated and the contract was awarded. The contract was signed at the meeting a copy to be sent to the contractor.

On receipt of a double payment for advertising in the Newsletter, a refund was authorised of the overpayment of £48.00

Balances and invoices for payment

Barclays Current Account at end of February - £82,058.99

To note DD to Grundon of £55.96

Receipts

£1,056.00 from Newsletter advertising

The following invoices were approved for payment online

£775.00 – D Bagshall to repair fence at Parsler’s Piece following storm damage

£380.00 – Positive Tree Care for cutting of trees on verge alongside 45 Wheatley Rd

£72.80 – to reimburse Cllr Richard Betteridge for concrete fencing, padlock and lock for play area and chicken wire for new burial ground

£70.00 – for membership of Community First Oxfordshire

£10.00 – Village Hall hire for NDP group meeting 30/1/2022

£551.63 – Clerk’s salary February

£220.65 – Burial Ground Manager salary February

All payments signed and agreed by Cllrs Judy Westgate and Paul Bolam who will set up and authorise them for on-line payment

Following the invoice for the fence at Parsler’s Piece, Cllr Paul Bolam urged all to look at the asset list and the insurance schedule to see if there were any items in the village owned by the Parish Council that should be separately insured and added to the schedule. Clerk will circulate both documents.

The Clerk left the room for the discussion concerning the holiday pay that she was entitled to. There was unanimous agreement that the figures as laid out in the email from Chris Wright (2/3/2022) were correct and that back payment should be made as soon as possible.

3/22/11 Planning

P22/S0425/HH – Ways End Southend – demolition of existing garage, alteration to access driveway and landscaping, rear single storey extension, front 2 storey porch extension, first floor/roof alterations with roof lights to existing house, fenestration alterations to existing property, new garage and office and associated drainage.

The Parish Council had no objection to this planning application

P22/S0463/DIS – Garsington Manor – discharge of condition 3.

The Parish Council noted this application

P22/S0562/O – formation of a new detached house within the garden of 15 Wheatley Road and formation of 4 new off-street parking spaces

Following a discussion, the Parish Council wished to comment that the new house would create overdevelopment and that 2 parking spaces for each property was not sufficient

P21/S5112/FUL – erection of small statue dedicated to Pablo Picasso visit to Garsington in 1919 – land opp The Rectory 17 Southend.

Following representation from two residents and further consideration regarding concerns raised by the planning officer, the Parish Council agreed to withdraw this application. Clerk will draft a response to the artist to inform them that the Parish Council no longer wish to accept the donated art work and inform the Planning Office of the decision to withdraw the application

Kiln Lane planning enquiry. Following a discussion, it was agreed by the Parish Council to support the hearing with Barrister services

3/22/12 Northfield development

Cllr Ian Ashley stated that there were on-going discussions between the County Council, Brasenose college and L&Q. He noted that there had also been a village meeting with a suggestion of an agricultural college and affordable housing as an alternative suggestion to the development

3/22/13 Neighbourhood Development Plan

Cllr Paul Bolam reported that following the circulation of quotes for the pre-submission consultation, it was agreed to accept the proposal from N Homer. This work would now be performed on behalf of the Parish Council and a meeting would be held to discuss this.

Cllr Paul Bolam also reported that there would be a meeting with one landowner on Sunday

Cllr Claire Green asked if a response had been sent to the resident who had raised various detailed points regarding the NDP, Cllr Paul Bolam offered to draft a response on behalf of the NDP group.

3/22/14 Parish Environmental Plan

Cllr Chris Wright had circulated a note summarising the first meeting of this group which had concentrated on planning for planting more trees within the village.

3/22/15 Correspondence to Chairman and Clerk

The Clerk had received an email from the County Council regarding the Annual Emergency Planning Unit survey. Clerk will contact the Village Hall Trust, The Vicar and The Chairman of the Sports & Social Club

The Clerk had received an invitation to continue membership of OALC for the next year. This was agreed.

Clerk had received an email from the Oxford Preservation Trust to ask for nominations for their annual awards – previously circulated

The Clerk had received an email from a resident suggesting that the steep pathway around the village hall be made more user friendly. Following a discussion, it was agreed that the Clerk request a handrail on ‘Fix My Street’

The Clerk had received an invitation from the Oxford Greenbelt to attend a workshop on 5th April regarding current and future threats to the Greenbelt. Cllr Ian Ashley agreed to attend

3/22/16 Playground Sports & Social Club

Cllr Paul Bolam reported that the defibrillators had been checked and all was well.

Regarding defibrillator awareness training, the first session will be held on 21st March at the Sports & Social Club

Regarding the fencing around the gate, Cllr Paul Bolam reported that this would be finished by the end of the week

3/22/17 Village Maintenance

Cllr Paul Bolam reported that a meeting to discuss the Jubilee events would be held at the Sports & Social Club on 14th March.

Cllr Ian Ashley stated that the owner of the Three Horseshoes had agreed that the beacon could be moved further back into the field behind the pub

3/22/18 Village Bus Service

Cllr Matthew Dovey had previously circulated an email to say that government subsidy for the bus service would continue

3/22/19 Burial Ground

3/22/20 Oxford-Cambridge Arc/SODC Local Plan/2050 Local Plan for Oxfordshire/Joint Local Plan 2041

Cllr Ian Ashley offered to send round relevant updates for information

3/22/21 Any Other Business

The next Parish Council meeting to be held on Monday 4th April 2022 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Meeting closed at 9.40pm