

Draft Minutes of Littleworth Parish Meeting 16 December 2021

- Present: Tony Woodward (Chairman), Adrian Pickett (Clerk), Mike & Hilary Wilson, Ann-Marie Lewis, Alice Margey, Denis Winter, Sarah & Mike Hyland, Rob McInnes Jerry Avery (Vale of White Horse), Bethia Thomas (Oxfordshire County Council).
- Apologies: Imelda Twine, Richard Moss, Julia Smith, Anna Timbrell, Dave Mackay.

Item	Action
1. Minutes of the previous meeting of 19 May 2021 approved as a true record.	Approved
<p>2. Reports from District and County Councillors</p> <p>Reports received from Councillors.</p> <p>Buses have not been running to schedule due to the shortage of drivers. Bethia Thomas has been discussing temporary solutions with the bus company until normal services are resumed.</p>	
3. Matters arising from minutes of previous meeting	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ideas to improve the appearance of the village centre. An illustration to show how the area could look will be circulated to the village for comments. The Parish Meeting thanked Phoebe Gresford for creating the idea. 	Clerk to circulate
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A420 Safety. The increasing traffic on the A420 is creating more risks for residents and road users. Specific safety issues were raised about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the location and lack of lighting at the bus stop heading to Faringdon • the danger to pedestrians when trying to cross the road near the bus stop • the risks to drivers when turning right out of the village • the chronic and dangerous condition of the footpaths along the A420 both toward Faringdon and Barcote <p>Bethia Thomas acknowledged the issues and will bring them up at the Faringdon Area Traffic Advisory Committee on 17 December and will request a site visit with an officer from the highways team.</p>	Bethia Thomas to raise issues at FATAAC and request a site visit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Old School Playground. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Parish Chairman will inform the residents of the Old School House that when there are village events the area in front of their house may be used for car paring, blocking access. • Properties bordering the playground will be sent a reminder that they need the agreement of the Parish Chairman, as the trustee for the playground, before making any changes to access over the playground. 	Chairman and clerk to action
<p>4. Speeding in the village.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report on speeding in the village accepted • Agreed proposal to apply to Oxfordshire County Council for the introduction of 20 mph speed limit in Littleworth. • Agreed proposal to put up a speed watch sign at either end of the village • A request was made for more volunteers to operate speed watch once the traffic lights have been removed. 	Clerk to action
<p>5. Budget and precept for 2022/2023</p> <p>The proposed budget of £1,795 was agreed. The estimated cost per band D dwelling for 2022/2023 is £14.71</p>	Clerk to action
<p>6. AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No current footpath issues were reported. • Neighbourhood Watch. Warnings were noted regarding recent shed break in attempts. • Vale of White Horse 2041 plan. No land or buildings in the parish were offered for development following the recent request from the Vale of White Horse planning department. • Our newsletter reaches 59 of the 66 houses in Littleworth, but only 3 of the 34 residences in the rest of the parish. The Chairman and Clerk will look at ways to engage with the people in the parish who live outside of Littleworth. 	Chairman and clerk to action

