

Minutes of a Meeting of Fringford Parish Council, held on Monday 17th December 2018, in the Chinnery Room of Fringford Village Hall at 7.45 pm

Present: Cllrs Adrian Thwaites (Chairman), John Fargin, Les Harris, John Reader, Jan Maciejewski and Mick Cowland.

Apologies: Cllr Ian Corkin (CDC and OCC) and Cllr David McCullagh.

In Attendance : 3 members of the public.

97. Requests for Dispensations and Declarations of Interest, gifts and hospitality

There were no requests for dispensations or declarations of pecuniary interest.

98. Public Participation

Fringford Cottage development.


A member of the public drew the attention of the Parish Council to the fact that a Unilateral undertaking had been submitted by the Applicant's solicitor outside the time allowed for submission of documents. The Clerk was asked to raise this with the Planning Inspectorate.

Village Green

Residents raised concern at the continuing parking on the road crossing the Green. It was reported that, on the morning of the Parish Council meeting a car had been parked obstructing part of the carriageway. This had caused a delivery van to mount the Green itself – damaging the surface. The Clerk agreed to report the incident to Thames Valley Police.

The Clerk was asked to write inviting the Chair of the School Governors to the next Parish Council meeting, and to write to the Head teacher of the School asking him to request that there is no parking on the Green in the winter months, as it causes considerable damage to the surface. She was asked to make clear to the school that the Parish Council will be reporting cars seen parked on the Green to Thames Valley Police on the grounds that they are causing an obstruction.

99. Planning

Partial demolition of the superstructure of existing conservatory and erection of new sedum roof with flat rooflights and external glazing together with extension of existing flag wall to north west elevation 

5 Stratton Audley Road Fringford Bicester OX27 8ED

Ref. No: 18/01763/F

Approved

Two storey side extension and front porch 

4 The Green Fringford Bicester OX27 8DS

Ref. No: 18/01807/F

No objections

100. Reports from District and County Councillors and Police

None, although Cllr Corkin’s November update has been circulated to all Councillors.

101. To receive a report from Cllr Wood (CDC) regarding any newly registered sites within the village.

None.

102. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 19th November 2018.

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting.

103. Matters Arising from the Minutes

The Clerk brought to the meeting a number of OCC “reduce your speed” signs. These will be put up around the Village in the New Year.

The tree works at Crosslands will be carried out on 2nd January 2019.

104. Finance

a. **To receive the monthly financial report and bank reconciliation – which is attached to these Minutes and shown as “Appendix A”**

b. **To consider invoices for payment itemised on the payment schedule**

c. The Parish Council had an initial discussion about its budget, which it will consider in detail at its January meeting. In view of concerns raised about the condition of the Village Hall roof, Cllr Maciejewski agreed to make arrangements for a survey which would then inform further action.

The Council **RESOLVED** to approve the following invoices for payment:

Cheque no:	Payee and reason	Budget	Minute Ref	Amount
400345	Anne Davies Clerk salary	salaries	Cl salary	£185.18
400346	HMRC	Clerk Tax	Cl ts and cs	£43.20
400347	D McCullagh	Misc	tree	£20.00
400348	Help for Heroes	donations	91.(S137)	£225.00
400349	RAF Benevolent Fund	ditto	91	£225.00
400350	RBL	ditto	91	£225.00
400351	Seafarers UK	ditto	91	£225.00
400352	Royal Naval Assn	ditto	91	£225.00
400353	ABF The Soldiers Charity	ditto	91	£225.00

Cheque no:	Payee and reason	Budget	Minute Ref	Amount
400354	Fringford VH	Refund of Hall Hire		£60.00
400355	SEWCIAL	grant	CAF	£120.00

105. Parish Matters – to discuss where necessary

a. To receive an update from any of the Village Groups

The Parish Council noted the request for support from the SEWCIAL sewing group. This group was set up in September 2017 to bring together people of Fringford and the surrounding area to do sewing and other crafts in a social setting. When establishing the group the aim was to help residents overcome loneliness and social isolation whilst sharing and developing skills with each other. They meet monthly on alternate Sunday afternoons and Wednesday evenings in the Chinnery Room at the Village Hall and provide tea and coffee and cake for those attending. They were seeking a grant towards the cost of hiring the Village Hall for their meetings.

The Parish Council agreed to make a grant of £120 to the group out of the Community Action fund.

Village Hall

The Village Hall has now installed a CCTV system- two external cameras , which monitor the Car park (away from the school) and one internal camera which monitors the internal lobby. So far there has been a positive response from hirers. The Village Hall has also introduced a “keybox” system, which gives regular hirers immediate access to the Hall without the need to contact the Caretaker. The Clerk agreed to write to advise the Head teacher of the school that the CCTV system will be monitoring the Village Hall car park.

b. Resilience Grant

SSE have contacted the Clerk with a view to publicizing the Resilience Grant. It was agreed that they would be supplied with details of the glitter purchased.

c. Cricket Club

The Council noted that Fringford Cricket Club is owned by three trustees. As the Cricket Club is a highly valued village facility the Clerk was asked to contact the Trustees to confirm the ongoing interest of the Parish Council.

d. Village Green

The Chairman met representatives of OCC when they visited the Village. OCC are now looking at options to protect the village green and stabilize the road across it, including granite sets on the corners, grasscrete or other mesh protection to provide stable parking, and reflector posts to stop vehicles mounting the grass.

e. Stone Wall

The Parish Council has received a quote of £550 to take down the stone wall on the edge of the Village Hall Car Park and make good the stone end. A quote from another builder will be requested, with a decision being made at the January meeting.

f. Lendrums Fair

The Parish Council agreed to the request from Lendrums Fair to hold the fair on the Village Green between 28th July and 4th August 2019.

106. Correspondence Received – to note correspondence received not otherwise on the agenda where decisions are not required

The Council noted the monthly reports from OALC and OCC, which have been circulated.

The Parish Council considered a request from OCC for suggestions of Highway Maintenance schemes. It was agreed that Fringford would request that Rectory Lane, Church End Main Street and the road across the Green should be resurfaced. In passing the Council noted that they were grateful that white paint had been sprayed around potholes in Rectory Lane, but it would be appreciated if the potholes could now be filled. The Clerk was also asked to request a yellow line marking at the end of St Michael's Close, to dissuade residents from parking there and blocking access to the sewage works.

The Parish Council noted a request for comments to the Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee regarding proposals to downgrade the Obstetric unit at the Horton General Hospital in Banbury.

107. Reports from meetings

Highways England held an "Information gathering Event" to consider route options for the Oxford to Cambridge Expressway. A more detailed route is expected to be announced in the Autumn of 2019.

108. Items for information or next Agenda only

None.

Agenda Items

The Clerk requested that all items for the next agenda should be submitted by 10th January 2019.

109. Date of next meeting

The Council **RESOLVED** to agree the date of the next meeting as Monday 21st January 2019 at 7.45pm.

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm

Signed Dated

Fringford Parish Council			Monthly Financial Report	
			Parish Council Meeting	17 December 2018
Payments processed since last meeting				£783.18
19-Nov-18		Green scythe	400340	£343.20
19-Nov-18		information commissioner	400341	£40.00
19-Nov-18		Green scythe	400342	£171.60
19-Nov-18		Mrs A Davies	400343	£185.18
19-Nov-18		HMRC	400344	£43.20
Receipts processed since previous report				£97.50
22-Nov-18		Donation		£15.00
26-Nov-18		Donation		£7.50
03-Dec-18		Donation		£60.00
29-Nov-18		Donation		£15.00
Bank Reconciliation			Statement dated	05 December 2018
			Savings Account	£16,102.43
			Current account	£18,311.28
Items not yet cleared:				
Receipts	None			
Payments		cancelled		£0.00
		cancelled		£0.00
			Net Total	£34,413.71