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**KINGSTON BAGPUIZE WITH SOUTHMOOR PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING 10 JANUARY 2022
6.30pm, Swallow Room, Village Hall**

Present: Cllr Bello, Cllr Charlton, Cllr Forster, Cllr Grant (chairman), Cllr Smith, Cllr Swale, Cllr Warr, Cllr Weeks

2 members of the public

MINUTES

168. Apologies: Cllr Linda Pearce, District Eric Batts

169. Reports from District Councillor Cllr Eric Batts and County Councillor Juliette Ash.

District Cllr Batts' report was sent by email and read out by the chairman (Appendix 1).

County Cllr Ash – all parishes report (Appendix 2). On 16 December reduction in speed around Sunrise Nursery to 40mph has been agreed. Proposed zebra crossing on A415 – currently situation is reported by the clerk on item 172. Cllr Ash to work creatively with Mark Francis and OCC safety officers to ascertain whether there is a solution that allows movement of the crossing north of the current proposed location in the light of likely objections from the residents from the adjacent properties.

170. Public Participation: an adjournment of 20 minutes to allow the public to ask questions. No matters were raised for council consideration.

171. Approval of minutes of the meeting of 6 December 2021. These were agreed to be a true and accurate record of the meeting.

172. Clerk's report:

- a. Speed indication devices – after awaiting accessories the new radar will be installed on Wednesday 12 Jan and the existing two will be moved or rotated. A schedule has been drawn up and a contractor retained to move the radars on 6 weekly basis.
- b. Crossing on A415 – the clerk had been in touch with the OCC Highways safety officer before Christmas who confirmed that a local survey had been carried out including safety considerations for residents and that the most feasible location was where the kerb dips south of the bus stop on Abingdon Road (A415). The designer was starting work on the plans to be reported on in the new year.
- c. Stone bus shelter – OCC Highways have confirmed the works can only be carried out by one its approved contractors. Quotes requested and awaited.
- d. Tree survey update: reported at December meeting that the survey had been completed and overall cost for the next 12 months of nearly £24,000 needed (£4,650 within the next 3 months, i.e. by March). Quote received from Young's

Trees (concentrating on the most urgent first) which was received on Thursday last week. This came in at £1,690. There is £500 left in this year's budget for trees, so clerk to identify the most urgent work to be commissioned up to this amount (under delegated powers) with the rest to be authorised by the council at the February meeting.

173. Declarations of interest: none declared

174. Planning Applications for consideration:

- a. [P21/V3354/LB](#) Waggon And Horses, Faringdon Road, Southmoor OX13 5BG, external detached pergola and outdoor/detached bar & kitchen: council voted no objections
- b. [P21/V3353/FUL](#) Waggon And Horses, Faringdon Road, Southmoor, OX13 5BG, external detached pergola and outdoor/detached bar & kitchen: council voted no objections

175. Planning Applications results:

- a. [P21/V2960/HH](#), 5 Redwood Close Southmoor Abingdon OX13 5DH, single storey extension to rear elevation (corrected elevation plan received 3 December 2021) – permission granted with conditions.

176. Accounts: the council to approve payments presented by the clerk, and acknowledge receipts

Payments

Payee	Details	Invoice No(s)	Amount (£)	VAT (£)	Total payment to payee (£)	Date of Payment
HP Instant Ink	Ink replacement service	Direct debit	2.91	0.58	3.49	12/12/2022
Village Hall	Office rental	Standing order	210.00	-	210.00	03/01/2022
GiffGaff	Mobile phone	Direct debit	5.00	1.00	6.00	06/01/2022
B&Q	Padlock for SID	Debit card	6.50		6.50	08/01/2022
Autela Payroll services	Payroll services	7836	42.00	8.40	50.40	11/01/2022
BGG Garden Care	Litter picking	1018/21	270.00	54.00	324.00	11/01/2022
ElanCity	SID, solar panel & accessories	00525	1974.17	394.83	2369.00	11/01/2022
Logs Unlimited	Installation of 3 manhole covers on Memorial Green	210821	147.00	29.40	176.40	11/01/2022
Spartan	Cleaning of bus shelters	1417	140.00		140.00	11/01/2022
Ubico	Dog bins	6004858X	346.19	69.24	415.43	11/01/2022
Clerk (salary)	Salary	Jan	Confidential			25/01/2022
OCC Pension Fund	Pension contributions	Jan	Confidential			25/01/2022

The council approved payments.

Receipts

Date	Method of Receipt	From	Details	Amount (£)
06/12/2021	Cheque	Cllr	Repayment for Rem Sun meal	16.00
06/12/2021	Cheque	Cllr	Repayment for Rem Sun meal	20.25

177. Councillors to be appointed to authorise the month's online payments. Cllr Grant and Cllr Warr were duly appointed. Payments to be authorised by 5pm on Tuesday 11 January.

178. Council to approve and budget and precept request for 2022-23, with reference to proposals from council meeting on 6 December 2021 and documents presented by the clerk. Cllr Grant confirmed to the meeting the changes proposed during the council's December meeting which resulted in a required precept of £100,000. This will result in an increase of £4.83 per annum to £59.72, or 8.8% for a band D property. Cllr Grant proposed that the budget is accepted, seconded by Cllr Swale, council voted to accept all proposals on the circulated draft budget and corresponding notes (to be published on parish council website). Clerk to submit precept request form.

179. Recreation and Play Facilities:

- a. Report from Cllr Weeks, including December's parish council inspection. The parish council monthly inspection was carried out by Cllr Weeks on 20 December 2021 (Millennium Green) and 30 December 2021 (Play Area and Recreation Ground). One new finding was identified: the Jubilee Fort safety surface is compacted and needs to be forked over and levelled. Recommendation, fork over the surface to loosen the bark chippings and level the surface.

Work completed in December 2021

Logs Unlimited have filled in the significant dip in the northern goal area at the Millennium Green with sand as a temporary measure until a permanent solution is installed in 2022.

Work to be carried-out in January 2022

A purchase order has been raised with Logs Unlimited to clear away the leaves from the basketball court and MUGA in the recreation ground, fix a goal net to the goal post nearest to John Blandy school in the recreation ground and fix goal nets to the goal posts in the Millennium Green. Goal nets to be supplied by the parish council.

Ongoing correspondence with Caloo regarding the design and installation of the basketball thermoplastic markings, but progress has been made and it is hoped the work can be completed by the spring.

- b. Monthly inspection – for information only: the Recreation Facilities Committee has now agreed a rota of councillors to carry out the inspection.

180. Burial ground:

- a. Council to consider the purchase of a commercial cordless leaf blower for use in the burial ground (quote from Cannings of £239.16 (ex VAT) including discount circulated with agenda). Council voted to accept but noted Cllr Smith's objection

on environmental grounds.

- b. Council to consider proposal for purchase of hand tools for use in the burial maintenance up to £75.00. Council voted to accept this proposal. The clerk to be provided with a list of tools for purchase.

181. Decision to request boundary change: council required to submit this request including supporting evidence by 21 January. Council to appoint councillor to approve submission by the clerk. Cllr Warr and Cllr Grant to work with clerk to put this together.

182. Queen’s Platinum Jubilee: following the council’s decision to put up to £2,500 of CIL monies towards celebrations, council to form a committee (which can include non-councillors) to organise matters, with terms of reference to be drawn up including how budgetary control will be managed. Cllr Swale to approach school re choir performing song. Committee formed of Cllr Smith, Cllr Charlton, Cllr Swale, Cllr Grant and Cllr Bello. It was suggested village residents might like to be involved and Cllr Grant to approach Ron Green who was involved with the Diamond Jubilee celebrations in 2012.

183. Pavilion build - electricity supply during build for contractors and sports club lighting: The parish council is bound to provide electricity as part of its contract with LifeBuild (the building contractors) - council to consider reimbursing the Sports Field Association (the electricity consumer for the sports field) for any electricity costs during the period of the pavilion build (using the S106 monies awarded), which may include costs for lighting for the sports clubs: the council resolved to reimburse the SFA on production of the invoices, rather than temporarily take over the account as the SFA is tied in to fixed contract.

184. Next meetings:

Monday 7 February

Monday 7 March

Meeting concluded at 8.25pm

Clerk: Sarah Bates

SignedChairman Dated

Overpage:

Appendix 1, report from District Cllr Eric Batts

Appendix 2, all parishes report from County Cllr Juliette Ash

**District Council Report: Cllr Eric Batts
Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor Parish Council**

January 10th 2022

Firstly, my apologies for not being with you tonight, I have a meeting of the Vale Climate Emergency Advisory Committee which starts at 6.00pm

Since your last meeting in December activity at the Vale has mainly consisted of a full council meeting on December 8th and dealing with the ongoing issue of Covid support, the community team continue to give help and advice to residents and along with the County issues daily updates re vaccination centre locations.

Council offices closed on 24th December and reopened on 3rd January, it had been hoped that after this break staff would gradually return to working at Milton Park but in view of the Governments advise this has been delayed, however a skeleton staff are present at the site.

December Council: Members adopted new and revised existing policies on the following issues, a joint gambling policy with south, a new policy in respect of parental leave for councillors, the council tax base for 2022/23 (which has been circulated to the clerk), a revised code of conduct and complaints procedure (which again has been circulated to the clerk), they also agreed to set up committee to review the councils constitution. Details of the above decisions can be found on the Vale website.

Climate Emergency Committee: At its meeting tonight, we are considering reports on greenhouse gas emissions, the climate action plan 2021-2024, and climate action funding. As we are only an advisory committee, we can't make formal decisions on these items but we can and do make significant recommendations for amendments and changes to cabinet on matters discussed.

Council Budget 2022-2023: Draft proposals were published in late December and discussed by cabinet, further discussions will continue before being considered by scrutiny committee and full council for approval on 16th February, all I can say at the moment it looks like the increase in the Vale portion of council tax will be higher than it has been for some years, my fellow oppositions members and I will over the coming weeks be taking an in depth look at the proposed budget.

Planning Enforcement: As I mentioned in December the Vale has been reviewing how it deals with enforcement cases, the advised procedure has been formally agreed and a copy has been circulated to the clerk, I for one have concerns about it and I am sure you have if you have already seen it or when do see it.

Waste Collections: As with every other organization Biffa are suffering with a shortage of staff due to sickness etc however whilst the driver shortage problems continue it has improved since the autumn.

Issues In Relation to the Parish Planning:

P 21/V3335/Ful Application for a permeant outside bar and Kitchen at the Waggon and Horses. I have concerns about this in relation to noise and disturbance to residents. I am waiting for feedback from the case officer.

P/213008/LDE Swannybrook Farm to formalize the use of the buildings at the site, I hope you like me that this will see an end to the protracted problems with this site that have been going on for years.

I also want to make you aware of the OCC application in relation to Stonepits Barn on the A415 at Frilford, you may wish to have a look at it and submit comments.

Transfer of S106 Funds: It looks as if all the boxes are ticked for this to get cabinet agreement in early February followed by full council on 16th will the transfer of the money soon after.

As ever if you have any questions on matters in this report or other issues want to raise please email me

District Eric Batts

Appendix 2 (2 pages)

County Councillor Juliette Ash REPORT- All parishes- Jan 2022

Happy New Year!

Covid-19

New precautions are in place, testing processes have been planned and extra care is recommended for all as schools and workplaces re-open. The Secretary of State for Education has rightly prioritised enabling child education and well-being by deciding to re-open schools and closely monitoring cases brought about by the Omicron variant. This is welcome news and will support both children and parents alike in Oxfordshire.

Vaccination programme

Significant additional capacity has been added to Oxfordshire's vaccination programme including extending the opening hours of primary care network sites and pharmacies.

Residents can:

- book an appointment via the [national booking system](#) (or call 119).
- book a booster appointment two months after your second dose, with the jab taking place at the three-month marker.
- Use a number of walk-in opportunities at GP practices. These are being advertised locally by GP practices whenever there is availability. For **a full list of walk-ins, which is updated on a daily basis, please visit the [CCG website](#).**

Changes to testing rules

From 11th Jan people in England who test positive from a lateral flow test and do not have symptoms will no longer be required to take a follow up PCR test. They should self-isolate immediately and report their result on gov.uk.

HAVE YOUR SAY:

Surveys and call for evidence

Consultations this month are taking place on:

1. Local transport and connectivity.

The Local Transport and Connectivity Plan consultation formally opens on the 5th Jan. Closes 16th March.

<https://letstalk.oxfordshire.gov.uk/ltcp>

This is a HUGELY IMPORTANT subject that affects all residents and our division is particularly affected by issues around and the status of our key road, the A420.

In addition, proposals include reducing car journeys by a quarter by 2030 and by a third by 2040. An aspiration to increase cycling journeys from 600,000 to 1 million by 2031 is also included. Comments welcome .

I will be supporting all areas that improve the safety of the A420, supporting the reduction in car journeys where funds and associated improvements can support other sustainable options and calling for increased availability of electric charging points in our Division. I have already called for support and installation for users with no independent off-street parking and will press for this to be available in our Parishes as soon as the requisite technology and solutions are tested.

2. Special Educational needs and Disabilities (SEND)

More funding has been committed by The Government for this important area of provision and proposals have been drafted to make more high-quality SEND support available closer to home i.e. in-County, here in Oxfordshire. There are many children in mainstream provision who would benefit for additional support in their current setting and so it is important that parents are able to have their say. **The consultation launches on the 10th Jan and will be live until the 10th March.**

<https://letstalk.oxfordshire.gov.uk/send-2022>

3. Use of libraries and heritage services:

Residents are invited to share their thoughts on their usage of Oxfordshire's library and heritage services in order to feed into a new strategy for usage up to 2027. **The consultation will open on the 24th Jan.**

I am very supportive of an increase in digital inclusion support services being made available and this is something I will press for on behalf of all residents.

Unauthorised encampments update: South and Vale.

Nothing to report.

Cllr Juliette Ash
07/01/22