

DRAFT Rotherfield Greys – Parish Council Meeting

7.30pm on Monday 8th January 2024

PRESENT:

Nick Digby (Chair), Susan Hems (Vice-Chair), John Hill (Cllr), Robert Hadfield (Cllr), Richard Ovey (Cllr), Annette Young (Clerk), Members of the public – 3

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

David Bartholomew (OCC Cllr), Jo Robb (SODC Cllr)

2. MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL & PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS:

None

3. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES:

The minutes from 13th November 2023 were confirmed and signed as correct by the chair.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES:

a) War Memorial Names – Quote was approved and waiting to be completed.

ACTION: AY to follow up.

b) Lamb at Satwell proposal to turn into residential dwelling – no further update.

c) Rubbish at Lamb at Satwell reported on fixmystreet and email sent to Gary Marsh, Environmental Enforcement Officer (EEO). Reported to the Highways department at County level, as the highway is being altered. Highways have said that the matter is being investigated. Fix my street ref 53402121.

d) Annual donation to St Nicholas Church – a donation of £850 has been requested by the treasurer of the church toward the upkeep of the church and churchyard. **Updated guidance on funding to churches** – on 26 December 2023, a new section 19A of the Local Government Act 1894 came into force, which means that councils can now use their discretionary powers to fund church property, including that of other Christian denominations and non-Christian faiths. The NALC Legal Briefing L02-23 Power to Fund Works to Property Relating to Affairs of the Church or held for an Ecclesiastical Charity is available on the website.

5. OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT:

This general report will be attached to the minutes and available on the website.

6. SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT:

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7. CHAIRS REPORT

Nothing new to report.

8. PARISH ROADS

Nothing to report.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing to report

10. FOOTPATH REPORT

Path 330/1 to the west of Sams Wood, where the fallen post and wire fence is a hazard. The land is still for sale, the owners have been asked to remove the fence but no signs of any action. OCC are aware of the problem and this is on the CAMS website.

Path 330/35. The surface has been repaired by the Council and the land owner has dealt with the panel fencing.

Path 17 . A tree fell last week but it has been cleared enough for walkers to get past easily. Sorry we cannot do anything about the mud! Gillian , RG Path Rep for The Chiltern Society

11. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

12. PLANNING/ENFORCEMENT

a) Applications received and awaiting decisions:

[P23/S4103/HH](#) Bel House Shepherds Green RG9 4QR

Part single storey and part two storey extension and minor exterior alterations.

Consultation period ends 20th January 2024.

[P23/S3990/FUL](#) Astbury Satwell Close Satwell RG9 4QT

Proposed demolition of existing bungalow and erection of a replacement two storey dwelling house with attached double garage. Target decision 16th January 2024.

[P23/S3209/S73](#) Autumn House Section Of B481 From Bolts Cross To Highmoor Cross

Rotherfield Greys RG9 5LG. Variation of condition 2(approved plans) and remove condition 6 on application P21/S3388/HH. Proposed extension to the rear of the dwelling to house a leisure area, including a sitting room, gym, a covered swimming pool with changing facilities and a plant room; and proposed extension to the existing garage with accommodation above served by dormer windows. 3077P21/S3388/HH Conditions(s) 2 and 6.

Withdrawn prior to determination on 1st November 2023.

[P23/S0582/FUL](#) Satwell House Satwell RG9 4RB

Landscaping works including the creation of a new access, the creation of a lake and substantial tree planting. (*Amended plans and additional information received 7.11.23*)

Target decision 8th December 2023 – no decision made

[P23/S2076/DIS](#)

Fairways Satwell Close Satwell RG9 4QT

Discharge of conditions 4 (Obscure Glazing), 5 (Wildlife Protection) and 6 (Tree Protection) on application ref. P21/S3256/HH (Extension and alterations to left hand side wing, single storey rear infill extension and alterations to driveway).

Target decision 2nd August 2023 – still no decision issued

[P21/S0361/FUL](#), [P23/S0400/DIS](#), [P23/S2911/DIS](#) Grange Farm Badgemore RG9 4NZ

Discharge of conditions 5 (existing vehicular access), 8 (off - site highway works), 9 (hard and soft landscaping scheme), 10 (CEMP: Biodiversity), 11 (barn owl mitigation strategy), 12 (biodiversity enhancement), 13 (external lighting), 14 (contaminated land (preliminary risk assessment), 15 (contaminated land - remediation strategy), 16 (surface water drainage works) & 17 (foul drainage works) on planning application P21/S0361/FUL. Redevelop farmyard with

equine and veterinary hospital with associated car parking, bike store and bin store (relocation of Henley Vets). Target Decision Date 31st January 2024. Full Planning Permission Granted 24th September 2023

b) Planning decisions

[P23/S3077/FUL](#) Greys Meadow Studio near Rotherfield Greys RG9 4QJ
Application for the retention of Greys Meadow Studio (retrospective).
Target decision 7th November 2023 – Committee Meeting 22nd November 2023
Decline to Determine on 14th December 2023

13. FINANCE

a) Budget & Precept – same as last year with % inflation increase

Payments – Clerk Pay November & December £468, HMRC (Clerks tax) £96, J Pryce (Website £100)

b) Interest on Income – £119.03

c) Balances – As at 8.01.24 Current Account £3904.29, Savings Account, £30119.03, CIL: £5316.72

14. AOB

There was discussion about The Maltsters Arms, which is currently closed due to low hygiene rating. The current landlord/manager will not be renewing his contract in May 2024. A consideration for the future may be as a community pub.

The village hall is 100 years old this year and there was a discussion regarding marking the occasion and to combine with village summer drinks event.

The village fete has a potential new committee chairperson and a meeting is planned for the end of January.

Next Meeting 11th March 2024

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 20.20