

**ROTHERFIELD GREYS
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
AND PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT 7.30PM ON MONDAY 8TH MARCH 2021
VIA ZOOM**

PRESENT:

Susan Hems (Vice-Chairman)	SH
John Hill	JH
Nick Digby (Chairman)	ND
Michael Pearey	MP
Richard Ovey	RO
<i>For part of the meeting:</i>	
David Bartholomew (OCC councillor)	DB
SODC councillor Lorraine Hillier/Jo Robb	LH/JR
Jane Pryce – Clerk	JOP

Members of the public/parishioners present for part/all of the meeting	4
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GAG = Greys Alert Grapevine email alert system

CIL = Community Infrastructure Levy paid by developers to mitigate the impact of new houses.

RFO = Responsible Financial Officer.

The parish website is www.rotherfieldgreys.org.uk

1/21 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES FROM 9th March 2020

The minutes were agreed to be an accurate and true record and were signed by the Chairman.

2/21 Chairman's Annual Report 2020/21

Nick Digby

Firstly let me mention the Parish Councillors who are present. We were all re-elected in May 2019. Richard Ovey, John Hill, Michael Pearey, Susan Hems and myself, Nick Digby chair. Also present is our Parish Clerk, Jane Pryce.

Thank you to all of you who have contributed a great deal of time to the parish council. Also present last are our elected representatives, on Oxford County Council, Cllr David Bartholomew and South Oxfordshire District Council Councillors Jo Robb and Lorraine Hillier.

This has been a testing year for everybody individually for the obvious reason. As a council, like every other aspect of life, we have had to adapt. After cancelling our May meeting, we have move to zoom meetings which have gone well, certainly better than Handforth Parish Council. We have not needed a Jackie Weaver!

Planning applications

27 received during the year (2020/21) of which: (24 in 2019-20)

4 waiting for a response from pc

9 objections

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8 no objections
4 withdrawn
10 SODC granted
2 SODC refused
9 SODC still to be decided
2 missed by clerk/pc

Highlands Park

Development continues and there continue to be issues around further planning permissions and development outside what has been approved.eg. street lighting.
As a council we are still very concerned about the increased levels of traffic that will be generated and will pass through our village as a result of this development. The request for a CIL payment of £65,000 for pavements in the village is on-going but without any progress. We will continue to monitor this development closely.

3rd Reading Bridge

Most south Oxfordshire PC's got together to formulate a response to Reading Council's proposals for a third Reading Bridge. There was unanimous rejection of the proposal on numerous grounds. I met with our MP to express our strong misgivings about the impact a 3rd bridge would have in South Oxfordshire including large amounts of traffic moved on to our roads. This would only lead to calls for road improvements which generate more traffic and more pressure for development, altering the rural character of our area. We will continue to oppose any plans for such a bridge.

The Telephone Kiosk. Restoration continues

The work carried out is to be expanded on by the restoration committee's report below. We donated £50.00 towards costs for materials.

Village Gates

New gates have been ordered for half way up the hill between the Rocky Lane junction and the war memorial but remain uninstalled by OCC Highways. One gate at the Bolts Cross has been replaced after it was demolished by an errant car. We got a £1,000 grant from OCC towards the cost of installing these.

Defibrillator

We have installed a defibrillator at the Village Hall. There will be training made available when it is safe to gather again. This cost 189.64 to install. The defib. itself was bought with a grant from SODC.

Henley Municipal Charities

Jo Robb is our representative on this body. She will provide a report.

Remembrance Sunday

The 102nd Remembrance was marked with socially distanced wreath laying at the War Memorial.

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The Rotherfield Greys bus shelter/well housing building

This was recently restored and looks in good condition. A New Notice Board stands in the Bus Shelter and being used by the church for its notices as well.

The Village Fete

This was cancelled due to the pandemic. It is hoped that it can return in September 2021.

Finance

We had a total income of £8,823.74 from the precept and a VAT reclaim, with payments totalling £7,868.02 including grants to charities. Wages totalled £1,924.

Besides the village gates and defibrillator above, we have got the pad stones at the bus shelter repaired, at a cost of £345.00. The current account stands at £21,963.58

Charities

The parish council made a variety of charity donations totalling £2,053.82. These are made to local good causes or community groups. These include £850 towards St Nicholas Church Maintenance funds, £150 Wyfold riding for the Disabled, £150 to The Chiltern Care Centre, £150 to the Chiltern Society, £150 to Henley and District Citizens Advice Bureau, £100 to the Royal British Legion, £100 to Sue Ryder, £100 to the South Central Ambulance Service.

Greys Alert Grapevine (GAG)

GAG now covers over a third of parish. This provides local news such as road closures, local events and planning applications to those that subscribe.

Litter Picking

Our annual parish litter pick was cancelled. Some individuals did carry on individually. Thanks to Joanne and Graham Duncan particularly. We are happy for anyone to do their bit on an individual basis.

Thank you to the OCC and SODC councillors for their attendance at our parish council meetings and their considerable help during the year.

I am confident I speak on the council's behalf when I say that we are looking forward to coming year.

Nick Digby

Chair – Rotherfield Greys Parish Council

3/21 Oxfordshire Council Councillor's Annual

Cllr David Bartholomew

I am now coming to the end of my second term as your County Councillor but will be standing for re-election in May. Over the last eight years I have attended almost every single parish council meeting. For each meeting, I supply a written report in advance about general OCC matters, then follow this up at the meeting itself with a verbal report about local items.

This local report is then also supplied in writing after the meeting.

Local matters I have been engaged on over the last year include:

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- Pot holes (of course!)
- Flooding and drains
- Traffic calming (including Councillor Priority Fund contributions)
- Missing signs
- Vegetation clearing
- Deer incidents
- Reading Transport Strategy (including Third Reading Bridge)
- Henley HGV ban proposals

I have also assisted residents directly on an individual basis.

Although we have now been constrained to virtual meetings for nearly a year, I try to maintain as close a relationship with the parish council and residents as possible.

**4/21 South Oxfordshire District Councillor's Annual Report
Covid-19**

The Covid-19 crisis has dominated the Council's operations over the past 12 months with up to 40% of council officers redeployed to Covid response at any one time. Officers have distributed business grants, set up a Community Hub to support those in financial need and have also been responsible for establishing the asymptomatic testing centre at the Beacon in Wantage.

Council has successfully adapted to home-working and remote meetings for all Committees and workstreams. All Council functions have been maintained with officers working from home. Many officers face the dual challenge of full-time work with home-schooling for children and it is to their credit that the Council has continued to operate so successfully.

Corporate Plan

The Council drafted and unveiled its new Corporate Plan, following a hugely successful consultation exercise which attracted almost 1,000 individual responses. The Corporate Plan will guide council policy, projects and spending and defines the Council's priorities for the next four years. For the first time ever, the budget will reflect the Corporate Plan priorities as endorsed by our residents.

<https://www.southoxon.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2020/11/SODC-Corporate-Plan-2020.pdf>

The key themes of the Corporate Plan are:

1. Protect and restore our natural world;
2. Openness and accountability;
3. Action on the climate emergency;
4. Improved economic and community wellbeing;
5. Homes and infrastructure that meet local needs;
6. Investment that rebuilds our financial viability.

New Appointments: Cycling Champion, Thames Champion and Tree Champions

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The Council has made a number of new appointments in line with its Corporate Plan priorities to protect and restore the natural world and protect and enhance the River Thames and its setting.

New Offices

One project that is gathering pace is the new joint South and Vale offices at Didcot. The Covid-19 pandemic has highlighted the need for flexible, sustainable, value-for-money offices that are accessible by public transport and so, it was decided to locate SODC's new hub at the Didcot Gateway, on the border of the two Districts.

The building will be of the highest environmental standards and may include space for other tenants such as Housing Associations, enabling a better return on investment (subject to viability assessments).

Housing and Homelessness

SODC's new Housing and Homelessness strategy was published and we are proud that SODC was the first Council in Oxfordshire to adopt the Housing First approach. Working with Aspire Oxfordshire and SOHA Housing, SODC has successfully placed 12 homeless people into permanent accommodation, enabling them to have a stable home while they get the mental health, addiction and other support they need to get their lives on track. We are delighted the Housing First scheme has now been rolled out across Oxfordshire.

Social Housing

SODC is establishing a delivery vehicle to provide affordable and social housing to meet the District's urgent need for affordable, sustainable homes for our key workers. We have ringfenced more than £4m of developer funds to launch the project.

Planning

Significant changes to the planning regime are being proposed by government and last year, SODC filed a robust response to the "Planning for the Future" white paper and the associated metrics for calculating housing need. We await the results of the consultation but have concerns that moves to "cut red tape" through the expansion of permitted development rights and the creation of planning "zones" could actually lead to a loss of local accountability and decision-making, increased centralisation and poor planning outcomes.

Changes to Delegated Powers

The growing backlog of matters to be heard by the Planning Committee and the challenges of adapting to online meetings at the start of the Covid pandemic led to a change to the call-in procedures for minor applications. This meant that where a Parish Council objects to a minor (9 houses or fewer) application, there is no automatic right of call-in to Committee. Instead, the Ward member must call the matter in citing planning reasons. The new scheme of delegation is due to be reconsidered by Council and will automatically lapse on 31 July if Council does not vote to renew them.

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Local Plan 2035

After six years and much controversy, the Local Plan 2035 was adopted by Council in December.

Following the first ever virtual inspection of a local plan, the independent inspector found the Plan sound, subject to main modifications including the addition of a policy on low-carbon housing and a policy on consultation with communities.

Council Tax will increase by the maximum allowable without a referendum - £5 on a Band D property. This takes SODC's portion of Council Tax from £126 to £131 annually on a Band D, one of the lowest levels nationally and some £68 below the average for an English Shire District.

Lights at Highlands Park were still a problem as, although capped now, are still too bright and on all night. I will continue to see if a change in bulb brightness can be agreed. The need to preserve our Dark Skies policy is foremost.

5/21 Henley Municipal Charities Annual Report

Henley Municipal Charities – Annual Report - 2020-2021
Jo Robb

There are no vacancies but if vacancies do arise, it will be advertised in the Henley Standard and you and Bix & Assendon will be informed. As you know they own a number of commercial and retail sites which have been impacted by the pandemic. The financial position of the charity is very stable. A grant to Henley College and to individuals under their Education fund were recently approved.

6/21 St. Nicolas Church Annual report

The year 2020 was extremely difficult for our lovely church. A combination of Government and Church of England restrictions severely adversely impacted the church's income. We were unable to hold many of our scheduled weekly services and although Sunday 'virtual' services on the Zoom platform have proved very popular there is no collection plate to pass round on a Zoom service.

In addition there were only a handful of weddings and other 'socially distanced' ceremonies. Other income generating events such as the village fete, patronal Christmas lunch, organ recitals and the like all had to be cancelled.

The church was fortunate that many loyal parishioners made generous donations during the year and we were supported by others including the Parish Council for which Greys PCC is very grateful.

Thankfully 2020 has ended and the current year is looking a little brighter. The draft accounts for last year show that income was some £6000 lower than 2019 but church running cost remained at a similar level to last year although we did save a little on heating costs. The accounts show a small surplus for the year of c£500 compared with a deficit in 2019 of c£1500. However, this positive result is primarily because the church only paid £14,000 of our

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parish quota of £25,000. If the quota had been paid in full, which is our normal practice, the accounts would show a disastrous deficit of over £10,000. The “parish quota“ is the amount our parish of St Nicholas church is asked to pay over to the Oxford Diocese. In return the Diocese pays the stipend (salary) of our priest in charge, Mark Ainsworth, and provides him with accommodation.

Parishioners may have noticed scaffolding on the north side of the church in November/December. Unfortunately, a serious leak was discovered in the chancel roof and expensive repairs were required. Fortunately, a grant was obtained for Oxford Historic Churches Trust and this together with donations from The Knollys Trust and various parishioners meant we were able to meet the cost in full without recourse to reserves.

So, what is in store for 2021? We hope that in a few months’ time St Nicholas Church activities will be beginning to return to normal. Our big project for the year is the repair and refurbishment of our wonderful pipe organ. Having live organ music makes such a difference to any church service. The organ was made for the church by Walkers of Devizes and installed in 1974. Walkers have looked after it every year since then but after nearly fifty years of sterling service the organ needs some extensive repair and refurbishment if we are to continue to enjoy quality music in our church. The total cost of the work, which will be undertaken by Walkers, is £26,000. We have managed to raise enough funds, through donations, to pay for phase 1 of the project which we hope will take place this summer. We are now in the process of fund raising for the £12,000 final phase 2 of the project. Fingers crossed that a grant from OHCT may be available to meet some of the cost. If anyone feels they would like to support this project please get in touch with our treasurer, Paul Fairweather on 01491-628421 or by email at paul@boltscross.com.

Again, we thank Rotherfield Greys Parish Council for their continuing support.

7/21 The Greys Women’s Institute Annual Report

The clerk was unsure about who to approach for this report as the chairman was ill but she talked to the vice-chair and there had been no meetings during lockdown and for 2020.

7/20 Village Hall Annual Report

The village hall has been closed since last March. The finances are fine as reserves were healthy. A grant of £10,000 was received.

8/20 War Memorial Annual Report

Mr Chris Green did not attend. The council asked the clerk that thanks for all his hard work in keeping the War Memorial looking so lovely, neat and tidy, would be conveyed to him and put in the minutes.

There had been replacing of the two oak bollards after a motor vehicle cut the corner.

The age of the lavender plants was beginning to show and Mr. Green suggested they be replaced. Agreed? This would be discussed later.

10/20 Parish Roads Annual Report

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Michael Pearey

The majority of projects has been completed such as the new road markings and new village gates. We are very gratefully to David Bartholomew for his help in this. We are just missing another set of gates between Rocky Lane and the War Memorial and the parking spaces opposite the church.

The clerk was asked to email David Bartholomew to ask about the progress of these two projects.

11/20 Chiltern Society Annual Report

Jane Warren emailed her apologies at being unable to attend or provide a report.

The clerk informed the council that Jane was resigning but a new footpath representative would be installed soon.

The Path Maintenance Volunteers have provided an annual report and will be available on the website.

12/20 The Telephone Kiosk Restoration Committee Annual Report

Nicola Whittle

Update on the restoration of the Rotherfield Greys Telephone Box

Progress on the restoration in 2020

A good amount of progress was made on the restoration of the telephone box over 2020. However, Covid19 slowed us down early in the year and the cold weather eventually stopped us from completing the painting. After scraping and sanding the many layers of paint off the outside of the box and scraping loose paint from the inside, we have now applied two coats of smart, shiny red paint to three sides and the top (on top of the undercoat), and have undercoated all the bare metal on the inside of the box. The door remains the silvery white colour of the undercoat. This is because the outer frame of the door is made of oak and some parts were rotten. We have dug these out and tried to fill them but as the filler is quite deep it hasn't dried as hard as we would have liked, we are therefore going to try another filler to repair the door and once repaired will paint this red to match the other three sides.

As soon the weather gets warm enough, we will start work again. We will finish off the painting inside and out and then put in the new glass.

Our plans for the future

As I explained in our report last year, the telephone box is in quite a dangerous position on the edge of the road through Rotherfield Greys village so we have decided that it would be safer not to use it in a way that would attract large groups of people. We therefore propose to use it to signpost people to the Well Head, which is the building opposite the telephone box and church, and to other places in the village. We propose to display a small amount of artwork inside the telephone box, making it a mini art gallery, as well as producing a leaflet which will tell villagers and visitors about the history of the village and provide information on local

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facilities and walks. I have started preparing the leaflet and intend to have it finished in time for the grand opening of the phone box.

We aim to have the restoration of the box completed by the end of this Summer.

Funding for the restoration

As explained previously, the funds for restoring the box were raised by us visiting businesses at Greys Green Farm as well as receiving generous donations from Rotherfield Greys Parish Council, Rotherfield Greys Fete Committee, Rotherfield Greys Cricket Club, Greys Green Golf Club and numerous people who kindly put money in the jar on the bar at The Maltsters Public House. We have now spent the majority of the total raised, £1,120, on buying the new glass and cast-iron frames which hold the glass in, as well as the paint and other materials needed for stripping and redecorating the box. We now have only £42.50 left which we will use for any remaining materials required to finish the restoration and for printing the leaflets.

The Rotherfield Greys Telephone Box Restoration Committee

The parish council has promised £50 for the gold leaf for the crowns. The clerk will do the leafing when the box is ready. As this is the last job.

The Parish Council meeting followed after the Parish Meeting

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

013/21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

014/21 MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL & PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS:

None except one planning application which Susan Hems would have an interest as a near neighbour.

015/21 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES FROM 11th JANUARY 2021

The minutes were agreed to be an accurate and true record and were signed by the Chairman.

016/21 OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT:

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

SPECIFIC REPORT FOR ROTHERFIELD GREYS

HENLEY HGV BAN

Is the PC aware of this article in the Henley Standard? No.

<https://www.henleystandard.co.uk/news/council/159767/well-get-money-needed-to-ban-hgvs-says-councillor.html>

The article states: "Cllr Gawrysiak has already successfully lobbied neighbouring parish councils in Bix and Assendon, Nettlebed, Kidmore End, Sonning Common and Rotherfield Greys."

Is that an accurate reflection of the council's position? No, it wasn't as we haven't been consulted. The clerk was asked to correct this.

My intention is to abstain on this motion as although I support the ambition, I have concerns traffic will be deflected through villages and I need reassurance this will not happen.

AIRBAND POLES AND CABLES

I have received complaints about the positioning of poles and cables being erected by Airband and have had extensive contact with OCC Broadband in respect of this. The work is necessary for fibre connection to villages. Airband does not need permission for this work but wishes to cooperate with residents where possible.

017/21 SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT:

This SODC report can be found on the website. Please also see above.

Budget announced a restart grants for businesses. The money will be coming through to SODC in April. The restart grants covers £6,000 for retail and the hotels, gyms, personal care and leisure are eligible for up to £18,000.

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The next Local Plan is to include the joining with The Vale. What does the council feel about this? ND - My concerns would be the loss of local democracy. Also, as the District has 60% AONB, whereas the Vale does not have large areas of countryside, that our differences are acknowledged.

An appeal has lodged by Clive Hemsley against enforcement against the 'studio' in Greys Meadow. As this too complicated for the parish council to raise a Rule 6 defence, more information was needed. Lorraine Hiller and Jo Robb will get back to the council when the enforcement officer is available. Local knowledge of what the site was like before would be useful. Deadline is the 15th April.

018/21 CLERK'S REPORT

At the Bix & Assendon parish council meeting on 1st March, it was requested that a letter of complaint be drafted about the flooding at Broadplat. Although it was not requested to be a joint response but two parish councils wish action on this to OCC. This was agreed

The pad in the Maltsters pub defibrillator has been replaced as the sell by date had been reached.

The broken pane of glass in the Shepherds Green phone kiosk has been replaced.

019/21 PARISH ROADS

Also please see above. In the long term it would be good to see some pavements in the village.

020/21 MISCELLANEOUS:

a) Correspondence

OALC letter to the chairman on the benefits of membership.

The Royal British Legion with thanks for the Council's support.

b) Footpath report

No report

TIME SET ASIDE FOR QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

A parishioner had concerns about the speeding vehicles coming from Greys Green to Bolts Cross and the bend at the junction to Shepherds Green was may causing accidents?

The suggestion was for a roundabout at this junction. This will be discussed.

Another parishioner asked about the hire of a SID machine that the clerk had put forward. The clerk said that Bix & Assendon was willing to hire their SID machine out. But the police checked places to carry out a SpeedWatch group session and deemed only the cricket pitch was suitable. Also at least 10 people would be needed to be given training. The villagers wanted to do a session near the church but this area was not safe. Another area

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having problems was at Shepherds Green but again this area was deemed unsafe. The volunteer numbers had fallen to make training unviable.

Speeding is an outgoing issue. It is very difficult to get anything that is suitable (for traffic calming) in a rural environment.

A suggestion of flashing signs showing speed was made. The clerk stated that the council, in the past, had started this project. It was cancelled as seen as too urban.

The clerk was asked to investigate a small portable version of this.

021/21 PLANNING/ENFORCEMENT

a) Applications to be considered

P21/S0422/HH

5 The Walled Garden, Badgemore RG9 4FL

Alterations to existing carport to enclose three sides and erect a central partition to form a secure parking bay with oak barn-style garage doors in keeping with the existing structure
RGPC response required by 6th March 2021 Decision was NO OBJECTIONS

P21/S0357/HH

4 The Walled Garden Badgemore RG9 4FL

Alterations to existing carport to enclose three sides and erect a central partition to form a secure parking bay with oak barn-style garage doors in keeping with the existing structure
RGPC response required by 6th March 2021 Decision was NO OBJECTIONS

P21/S0107/HH

Cross Lanes Farm, Rotherfield Greys RG9 4QA

Extensions and alterations to include the erection of a garage and home gym building to the south of the property and new driveway.

RGPC OBJECTS with comments: a massive overdevelopment of what is essentially a small cottage in the woods. It looks as though the proposals almost double the size of the existing structure. By any standards this is overdevelopment. How the turning circles would work but the development can't be allowed to restrict emergency and other vehicles

The parish council were not included with this application to respond but as right on the boundary, this was changed. But the response has not been posted on the website.

P21/S0361/FUL

Grange Farm, Badgemore RG9 4NZ

Redevelop Farmyard with Equine and Veterinary Hospital (relocation of Henley Vets)
RGPC response required by 20th March 2021 Decision was NO OBJECTIONS

One councillor objected.

P21/S0329/FUL

Grange Farm, Offices & Store, Badgemore RG9 4NZ

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B1 Offices (revised design) with Solar Panels, car parking, cycle store, bin store, substation and plant housing

RGPC response required by 20th March 2021 Decision was NO OBJECTIONS

One councillor objected.

b) Planning responses

P21/S0111/FUL

Badgemore Park Golf Club, Road from Gravel Hill to Broadplat House, Badgemore RG9 4NR

Proposal to construct a pond on the 18th hole to provide golfing strategy, visual interest and increased biodiversity

RGPC response no objections - comments - It is near the Gas Pipeline which has an area around it where no construction is allowed. This is because it is a high-pressure supply from Southampton up north.

I have submitted the parish council's response above but it has not appeared on the SODC website.

P20/S4702/FUL

The Bothy, Badgemore Park Golf Club, Badgemore RG9 4NR

Demolition of existing dwelling and garage. Construction of replacement dwelling, garage and related landscaping.

RGPC NO OBJECTIONS

SODC target decision date 2nd February 2021

P20/S4637/FUL

The Lamb, Satwell RG9 4QZ

Conversion of the existing public house to a dwelling, the erection of 2 x detached 3-bedroom dwellings and associated hard and soft landscaping.

RGPC OBJECTS

SODC target decision date 28th January 2021

P20/S4440/HH

The Strip, Shepherds Green RG9 4QW

Proposed replacement garage/garden store outbuilding

RGPC NO OBJECTIONS

SODC Target Decision Date 10th March 2021

The forester officer is doing a report on this about a protected Ash tree.

P20/S3406/FUL

Rocky Lane Farm, Rocky Lane, Rotherfield Greys RG9 4RE

Construction of new groom's accommodation and tie up for grooming horses.

SODC Target Decision Date February 19th 2021

c) Planning decisions

P20/S0481/HH

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The Bothy, Badgemore Park Golf Club, Road from Gravel Hill to Broadplat House, Badgemore RG9 4NR
Erection of first floor extension to south elevation, replacement conservatory to west elevation, new conservatory to east elevation and guest suite extension to northern courtyard. (Identical scheme previously approved ref: P17/S1406/HH).

RGPC response has been asked to be reconsidered as this application has been previously approved and the pc response was NO STRONG VIEWS. If this stands it will go to planning committee meeting and is there a councillor who can put the objections to that in person?

The parish council decided to stay by their decision and the clerk would confirm that with SODC.
SODC GRANTED

P20/S4404/FUL

Pond Cottage, 1 Rocky Lane, Rotherfield Greys RG9 4RD
Replacement store in paddock to provide improved tractor store and stable.
RGPC NO OBJECTIONS
SODC GRANTED

P20/S3271/FUL

Highlands Farm, Highlands Lane, Rotherfield Greys, RG9 4PR
Variation of conditions 1 (approved Plans) and 14 (boundary treatment) of application
RGPC response OBJECTS
SODC GRANTED

022/21 FINANCE

a) Donations/Subs:

OALC annual subscription £146.16

b) Accounts to pay:

Jane Pryce

Clerk's salary (Feb/Mar) £320.70

WELmedical for 1 replacement pad for The Maltsters defibrillator £43.20

Mr. Green £200 bi-annual payment for upkeep of the War Memorial ground.

c) Payments received

Bank interest £0.29

Bank Balance £21,963.87

023/21 MATTERS ARISING FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Cllr Michael Pearey is resigning at this meeting. Thank you very much given for all his work. He said he had enjoyed his time on the council.

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A casual vacancy notice will be issued now and co-opted can be done at the May meeting. If no election is called.

Robert Hatfield of Shepherds Green, has shown an interest in the role. At the Annual Parish Council 'Electors' meeting in May (17th), he will attend with hope of being proposed by Council.

Also, at the May meeting, the Chairman and Vice-chairman are proposed.

An updated USB stick backup of council business was given to the chairman. This forms an offsite backup. This will be swapped at a later date.

War memorial damage log:

None to report at this meeting.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.14 PM

Next meeting – 17th May 2021