

Rotherfield Greys Annual Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm on Monday 16th May 2022

Opened at 8.30pm following the Annual Parish Meeting

PRESENT:

Nick Digby (Chair), John Hill (Cllr), Robert Hadfield (Cllr), Karen Wheeler (clerk), Cllr Susan Hems (Cllr), David Bartholomew (OCC, Cllr) (part), Richard Ovey (Cllr), Jo Robb (SODC Cllr) (part). Members of the public – 3

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

2. MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL & PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS:

None

3. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES FROM 14th March 2022

The minutes were agreed as an accurate account of the meeting and signed by the Chair.

4. ELECTION TO OFFICE

- a. Election of Chair to Rotherfield Greys Parish council
- b. Election of Vice Chair to Rotherfield Greys Parish council

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES:

- a) **Jubilee celebration Beacon and Sunday Lunch** – plans going well. Final finances to be agreed and paid by clerk.
- b) **Pavement through the village** – Potential cost of £50k. Potential boundary issues. Some concern over urbanisation of a rural area. Suggestion is a soft more natural path. All of this is awaiting OCC resource.
- c) **War Memorial** – cleaning quote received £1,050 – approved to move forward

6. OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT:

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

SPECIFIC REPORT FOR ROTHERFIELD GREYS

- a) Pavement through the village – contact given but engagement still low due to resourcing, OCC Cllr is still following up.

7. SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT:

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8. CHAIRS REPORT

No specific items to be raised.

9. PARISH ROADS

Council ref: ENQ22914277 Pond at dog lane/tree causing flooding – This has been passed to the Countryside Access Officer for further investigation. Still outstanding, clerk to follow up.

Pot holes – fix my street tickets raised, noted above. OCC response – surveys taken. Some fixed but not all along by the church. Clerk to reopen.

Council ref: ENQ22914274 Soaks aways – FMS submitted for opposite Church close, Sage Lodge, Hernes drive and pond at dog lane due to past tree fall so now water pours out. OCC response - The gully issue/blockage will be included in our forthcoming gully cleansing programme. As there is a limited budget, we have to prioritise high flood risk areas. Sometimes it is the volume of water that falls, and our drains are unable to cope, but the water eventually disperses. We will continue to monitor this on our routine inspections.

Broadplat – Give way sign flattened after accident– clerk to chase as still not fixed ENQ22920002

Broadplat – Issue with trees– clerk to report on FMS – ticket closed due to being unable to locate the problem to provide a suitable response to this enquiry. Need to re-submit, ensuring as much detail as possible is submitted, i.e. an address or What 3 Words location reference (www.what3words.com). I will endeavour to provide a more detailed response to this enquiry upon re-submission.

Philipa Fisher/Conel Peter Blaker – Suggested naturally refurbishing the layby leading to Shepherds green in their memory. As it's national trust land, NT needs to be approached for permission. Clerk to continue to find a relevant contact at NT.

Tree stumps, to protect the greens in Shepherds Green. As it's national trust land, NT needs to be approached for permission. Clerk to continue to find a relevant contact at NT.

Additional/unecessary signage. New signs to be identified and referred to OCC by clerk.

10. Correspondence

None

11. Footpath report

See seperate reports

12. Questions from the public

Trees – Specifically opposite war memoria there are some large trees with the potential to fall. Other fallen trees have been chopped up but, not cleared. Tree survey would be beneficial to properly understand risks and responsibility between OCC/Natioanl Trust.

13. PLANNING/ENFORCEMENT

a) Applications received and awaiting decisions

P21/S1379/AG

Grange Farm Badgemore

Proposed grain store, general purpose farm building, water tank and access track and associated infrastructure (as amended to reposition the proposed buildings).

SODC Target decision 5th May 2022 – Parish objected

P22/S0974/HH

New Farm Badgemore RG9 4NX

Demolition of an existing garage and ancillary outbuildings. Erection of home office and tractor store, and brick and flint wall.

SODC Target decision 1st June 2022

P22/S0938/HH

3 The Walled Garden Badgemore RG9 4FL

Alterations to existing carport to enclose all sides to form two secure parking bays with two garage doors and side access door.

SODC Target decision 26th May 2022

P21/S5224/HH

Robinsgrove Cottage Satwell Close Rotherfield Greys RG9 4QT

Demolition of existing structures and erection of single storey ancillary outbuilding. (As clarified by tree report & plan received 27 January 2022 and Arboricultural Method Statement received 25 April 2022 and as amended by Arboricultural Report received 25 April 2022).

STILL NO DECISION ISSUED

P21/S4715/FUL

Badgemore Park Golf Club Road From Gravel Hill To Broadplat House Badgemore RG9 4NR

Proposed extensions and alterations to clubhouse building to provide improved changing, fitness and social facilities (including improved changing and locker room facilities); new indoor swimming pool; enhancements to hard and soft landscaping.

STILL NO DECISION ISSUED

P21/S3256/HH

Fairways Satwell Close Satwell RG9 4QT

Extension and alterations to left hand side wing, single storey rear infill extension, new triple bay garage, new plant room and alterations to driveway.

STILL NO DECISION ISSUED

P21/S0931/DA

Greys Meadow Studio Rotherfield Greys RG9 4QJ

Without planning permission, the undertaking of various operations including: 1) the erection of three buildings; 2) the formation of earth bunds; 3) the excavation of a trench (ha-ha); 4) the laying of a track and various hardstanding areas, 5) the erection of retaining walls; 6) earthworks to create a tiered garden and basement level courtyard; 7) hard landscape works to create paths, steps, patios and to install an outdoor sculpture; and 8) the installation of a mail box and signage. (SE19/309).

public inquiry recommenced for an additional three days on 22 February. Outcome awaited.

P20/S3406/FUL

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

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

STILL NO DECISION ISSUED

b) Planning decisions

P22/S0331/LB & P22/S0328/FUL

New Farm Badgemore RG9 4NX

Conversion of the existing Cookery School into a 3 bedroom residential annexe at New Farm.

SODC Approved

P22/S0028/FUL

Grange Farm

New Class E(g) (i) & (ii) office building with solar roof panels, substation and plant housing, with associated car parking, cycle store and bin store

SODC Approved

P21/S4792/FUL

Badgemore End Lambridge Lane Badgemore

Adapt and Extend existing fire damaged dwellings to create additional first floor accommodation and associated landscaping.

SODC Approved

14. FINANCE

a) Payments – Clerk salary and exp £182 per month, OALC subscription £150, Jubilee waste collection £141.60, audit £240

b) Income – 50% Precept £4007

c) Balances - £23,262.28+ £3076.54 = Total £26,338.82

Current CIL to spend - £8368.22 – plus new £14,486.42 = £22,854.64 (clerk to clarify amount being held by SODC)

d) To approve audit paperwork, including declaration of exemption from external audit, AGAR and end of year accounting statement, all relevant paperwork to be signed.

e) Approve appointment of Ferndale Financial as Auditor

15. AOB

Malsters pub now has a new landlord, refurb of a kitchen still to be completed. Hoping to open on 27th May.

To let sign – suggest re contacting and asking to move over onto opposite side of track.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8:56 PM

Next meeting – 11th July 2022