

**ROTHERFIELD GREYS  
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING  
AND PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT 7.30PM ON MONDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2020  
IN GREYS VILLAGE HALL, GREYS GREEN**

**PRESENT:**

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

Members of the public/parishioners present for part/all of the meeting	3
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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](http://www.rotherfieldgreys.org.uk)

**1/20 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES FROM 11<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

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

**2/20 Chairman's Annual Report 2019/20**

Nick Digby

Firstly I will introduce the Parish Councillors who are present. We were all re-elected last May. Richard Ovey (who was, unfortunately not able to attend due to ill health), John Hill, Michael Pearey, Susan Hems and myself, Nick Digby chair.

We also have our Parish Clerk, Jane Pryce.

All of whom have contributed a great deal of their time to the parish council so thank you all. Also re-elected last May was our representative on Oxford County Council, Cllr David Bartholomew and elected to South Oxfordshire District Council were Councillors Jo Robb and Lorraine Hillier.

**Planning applications**

24 received during the year (2019/20) of which:

13 SODC Granted

2 Withdrawn/amended

RGPC 16 No Objections

RGPC 5 Objections

RGPC 2 Under consideration

SODC 5 awaiting decision from SODC

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**Highlands Park**

Development continues and there continues to be issues around further planning permissions and development outside what has been approved such as the street lighting. As a council we are still very concerned about the increased levels of traffic that will be pushed 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. We will continue monitoring this development closely.

**3rd Reading Bridge**

I attended a meeting of the South Oxfordshire Parishes organised through David Bartholomew. The feeling across all the Parishes is more or less the same, that the bridge would be a bad thing for South Oxfordshire, bringing large amounts of traffic on to our roads. This will only lead to calls for road improvements which generate more traffic and more pressure for development, altering the rural character of our area. I wrote to our MP Jon Howell on the subject as we all agreed to do, to make sure he is aware of how many of his constituents feel.

**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. One gate at the Bolts Cross end of the village has been demolished by a vehicle twice since it was erected.

**Defibrillator**

We have the funding for a defibrillator to be installed at the Village Hall.

**Henley Municipal Charities**

After a period of a few months we have finally filled the vacancy of the village representative on the board of Henley Municipal Charities. Jo Robb was pleased to take up the post.

**Remembrance Sunday:**

The 101st Remembrance was marked with wreath laying at the War Memorial

The **Rotherfield Greys bus shelter/well housing** building has been restored and only the padstones to be treated. A new Notice Board stands in the Bus Shelter. This is working and being used by the church for its notices as well.

**The village fete** was a well run again and made money that is donated to the village hall and the church. SH was thanked for this.

The parish council made a variety of **charity donations** totalling £1,800. 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

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**Greys Alert Grapevine (GAG)** now covers over a third of parish. This provides local news such as road closures, local events and planning applications.

**Litter Picking**

Our annual parish litter pick will take place Sunday 29th March 2pm. Thanks to Joanne and Graham Duncan for organising this again. We urge you to take part, it is doing a great thing for the village and is a fun social occasion as well.

Thank you to the OCC and SODC councillors for their attendance at our parish council meetings and their invaluable 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.

**3/20 Oxfordshire Council Councillor's Annual and General Report**

David Bartholomew

**OCC ANNUAL REPORT**

I have attended every single meeting of the Rotherfield Greys parish council meetings in the past year. In advance of the meeting I have circulated my general report on county matters and at the meeting itself I pick up on local issues. The County matters over the last year have been the subsiding of the drive towards unitary government. There have been big issues with the District's Local Plan. Which was suspended by the Secretary of State which came a county matter when he asked if the county would take it over, if the SODC would not see it through. The county would but then last week the Secretary of State ruled that SODC had to see it through. That has been a relief to county because we had a lot of funding tied up with that plan being approved. In February, the Finance Cabinet member produced the budget for 2020/21 and we will have significant investment in social care where more than half of income is spend on this. This is a national issue. Each meeting I pick up on general highway issues.

**SPECIFIC REPORT FOR ROTHERFIELD GREYS**

**SPECIAL THIRD READING BRIDGE MEETING FRIDAY 31st JANUARY 2020**

At an informal joint meeting of parish councils from the southern part of Oxfordshire on 31st January 2020 to discuss the proposed Third Reading Bridge, the following resolution was overwhelmingly passed:

- a) In the context of the Climate Emergency a car-based solution to a car-based problem that would pour thousands of cars and HGVs into Oxfordshire is totally inappropriate and should a new bridge be built it should be restricted to public transport, cyclists and pedestrians;
- b) Notwithstanding the above, if a car-based solution is pursued, the proposed bridge and necessary mitigation measures (i.e. improvements to the Oxfordshire road network) are not considered as two separate projects, but as one single project in order that the benefits, disadvantages and costs of the complete scheme can be holistically assessed.

I was asked to communicate this fact to the MP Bridge Summit meeting in March.

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Representatives from these parish councils attended: Binfield Heath, Eye & Dunsden, Harpsden, Highmoor, Ipsden, Kidmore End, Rotherfield Greys, Rotherfield Peppard, Shiplake, Sonning Common.

The parish council has thanked for their attendance.

**TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE FROM GRAVEL HILL TO BROADPLAT HOUSE**

A request has been received from Thames Water for a temporary road closure to apply to a section of unnamed road whilst water main connection works are carried out. A temporary Notice (T7401) is being made to implement the temporary closures and will operate from the 20 April 2020 up to and including the 24 April 2020. This is a 24 hour per day closure.

**COUNCILLOR PRIORITY FUND: VILLAGE GATES**

I have agreed to contribute 2 x £500 from my Councillor Priority Fund towards these and the clerk has submitted the form.

David Bartholomew was thanked for this.

Henley Bridge lighting planning application? What was the view of the parish council? You can comment on-line. The reference number is P20/S0493/LB – response required by Friday. The clerk would submit the objection of the council.

The General OCC report can be found with the minutes and on the website

**4/20 South Oxfordshire District Councillor's Report**

ND gave a summary of the report and will be available on the website.

The Local Plan as was discussed by DB above.

Council Budget and Council Tax – The Council Tax has been set.

New Crowmarsh building – This is to replace the one that burnt down. At present the Milton Part building cost the council almost £1 million a year in rent, services and maintenance.

Waste Enforcement Efforts – campaign against litter and fly-tipping. Two on-to-spot fines have been issued to people dropping cigarette butts.

Anti-Idling – posters have gone up for this.

Water Consultation – the challenges to protect and improve our waters and find a better balance in meeting the needs of people and nature.

Changes to how SODC will support Neighbourhood Development Plans

Motions passed at Council Meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> February – Four motions were passed at the most recent Council meeting, cover the rules on 5 year housing land supply, safety for people hiring taxis, the rules on permitted development (i.e. conversion of office buildings into residential accommodation) and a motion to condemn all racially or religiously motivated hate crimes and to adopt accepted definitions of anti-Semitism and islamophobia. For further details see:

<http://www.southoxon.gov.uk/news/2020/2020-02/motions-agreed-south-oxfordshire-district-council>

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**5/20 Henley Municipal Charities Annual Report**

Report kindly supplied by Louise Lloyd in Jo Robb's absence. The full report will be available on the website.

The clerk read out a summary.

Henley Municipal Charities provide almshouse accommodation for people who have limited means and savings and are unable to afford to buy or rent on the open market.

The Board of Trustees is made up of 13 Trustees together with a clerk and a Treasurer.

There are 13 almshouses in Church Avenue where there is no parking, Vicarage Road has 4 terraced two story houses for double occupancy and Western Close has 3 blocks of semi-detached bungalows for single/double occupancy. All the properties are occupied and the refurbishment is complete.

**6/20 The Greys Women's Institute Annual Report**

Merryl Roberts

Greys Women's Institute has welcomed new members during the year, but has sadly lost our oldest member, Margaret Bowles, who was responsible for the beautiful hanging above the stage in the Village Hall, depicting scenes of Rotherfield Greys.

Our monthly meetings have been busy and interesting, covering a wide selection of subjects and ending with our social time and a traditional WI tea. Subjects have included: an artist who created a Chinese painting, learning about ways of coping with anxiety and depression; we practised Yoga; we heard about the wonderful Kamali Hospital in Uganda; we created magical Christmas decorations; the Sonning Common First responders explained their role in the community and we heard the fascinating story of Eva Braun.

There is always a warm welcome for visitors to come and enjoy an afternoon with us. Indeed for the Eva Braun meeting, we had several guests, including two gentlemen, who enjoyed themselves immensely.

All our meetings re advertised locally and reported in the Henley Standard. To commemorate our Centenary, the March issue of the free magazine Round & About, carries a full page article entitled: "Amazing Greys!" We actively seek new members, our annual programme is freely available and a great deal of interest was shown on our stand at the Greys Court Fete.

We continued to support our charities; our Knit and Natter group send over 200 hand knitted new born baby clothes to the Maternity ward in Kamali Hospital, and are embarking on further projects. We collected donated items and packed Toilet Bags for emergency admissions to our own Royal Berkshire Hospital, and also emergency packs for those forced to flee to a Refuge for Abused Women. In addition we support the Associated Country Women of the World, a charity empowering poor rural women worldwide. We are turning our attention to the widespread problem of loneliness, in many ways we are well placed to help, with our warm welcome and regular monthly meetings.

A great deal of time in 2019 has been spent planning for our Centenary Year in 2020/21 – yes, Rotherfield Greys has had a WI for 100 years! An enormous achievement for a

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relatively small village. In addition to our celebrations with our WI Community, we reaching out into the Rotherfield Greys Community and to this end we will mount a Village Exhibition, focussing on the past 100 years. Organisations and individuals will be or have been invited to join us to make this a truly memorable event. These include: St. Nicholas' Church, the Cricket club, the Maltsters, RGPC, Greys Court and so on. We have been studying our own archives, and hope to produce a book: '100 years of Greys WI and its village'. We are seeking stories, memories and photographs from individual members. In 1956 Greys WI produced an award winning record of Rotherfield Greys, which is displayed in a glass case in the Village Hall. We are currently investigating Copyright Law, to obtain permission to scan the many pages of original artwork to make the contents available for everyone to enjoy – we have yet to obtain estimates for this work.

We are delighted and grateful to the Rotherfield Greys Parish Council for supporting this endeavour. We have accepted that, due to the current situation with the Coronavirus, we may have to postpone all this till the end of our Centenary Year in March 2021. We do not feel justified in requesting interviews with the elderly and vulnerable in the community at this time. Also, we will need more funds to mount the Exhibition.

The promise of funds from parish council, for the hire cost of the village hall, was thanked.

**7/20 Village Hall Annual Report**

Nick Digby

The committee has not had the annual meeting yet so a brief report.

Jess (the new caretaker) has settled in really well. Booking are up and so is income. There have been no major issues.

**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 and neat and tidy, would be conveyed to him and put in the minutes.

**9/20 Parish Roads Annual Report**

Michael Pearey

We have achieved the painting of the white lines in the village and two junctions. Two and a half pairs of gates have been installed, although one, at Bolts Cross has been demolished. Drainage and repairs to the sharp corner at Rocky Lane junction have made a big difference. Still trying to get the Broadplat chevron sign moved back and the 30 repeater sign (near The Maltsters) moved up as obscured by the gate.

For the future there will be a pair of village gates half way between Rocky Lane junction and War Memorial installed (where the speed changes).

We thought we would like to do something on the muddy patch by the post box and opposite at the church. We need some advice on this and what would be a suitable surface. The clerk will ask OCC Highways and photo and measure the area. Richard Ovey will have to

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be asked about this as his land. As it would provide better area for parking in the village, would this be a valid spending for CIL monies? Lorraine Hillier confirmed it would.

JH suggested extending to create a footpath to the bus shelter/well housing.

Also the pavements in the village. For this we need some the CIL money being generated from the Highlands Farm development.

Volume of traffic using the single narrow road through Broadplat was reported by JH. A one-way system was suggested. The clerk was asked to organise a site visit to get suggestions from OCC Highways on this. The neighbours will have to be involved for the opinions on this.

**Cllr. John Hill lodged a complaint about the clerk for not providing the proof of the ‘Stopping up Order’ and a copy of the ‘Tree Planting Licence’ re. Broadplat House – 2 standard requests that he hadn’t received.**

**10/20 Chiltern Society Annual Report**

Jane Warren emailed her apologies at being unable to attend. She has emailed two reports. Her own for the parish footpaths and the SCPMV (South Chilterns Path Maintenance Volunteers) annual report.

A summary was read out by the clerk to the council and both reports are available on the website.

Overall it has been an uneventful year. The long dry summer meant that paths were not seriously overgrown and we were lucky that that more recent storms caused relatively few problems of trees and boughs falling across paths and where this has happened that landowners have been swift to deal with them.

**Specific Issues**

Footpath 1 (adjacent to the Rosary, Shepherds Green)

A Diversion Order was granted on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019. New fencing was then installed and the PMVs added new waymark posts in the summer.

Footpath 4 (opposite \Lane End Lodge, Shepherds Green)

There is an on-going problem of brambles obstructing the kissing gate. It is hoped that the PMVs can included this in their schedule before the summer.

Footpath 16 (diagonally from church north to valley bottom)

Longstanding issue that it is slight off-line

Footpath 21 (Cross Lane Farm)

Stile broken – no signs

Footpath 27 (Grange Farm)

Path off-line and not signposted properly at road.

It is hoped that the landowner will apply for a Diversion Order to redefine the current ‘walked line’ as the Definitive Line.

Bridleway 29 (Broadplat road opposite Greenmore Farm)

Finger post lost in vegetation

Footpath 35 (Rocky Lane Orchard)

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Suffers from poor fencing along both sides of the path  
Footpath 57 (Rose Farm, Rocky Lane)  
Unauthorised diversion

Many of these problems will need the input of the County Rights of Way officer to resolve, but have low priority because they pose no danger and do not compromise route-finding.

JH reported that footpath 11 (Badgemoor Golf club) is going to have a stile installed to prevent bikes and quad bikes using the footpath.

SH reported a problem on a footpath which was shown where it was on a map to the clerk to report.

### **11/20 The Telephone Kiosk Restoration Committee Annual Report**

Nicola Whittle

#### **Progress on the restoration in 2019**

Progress on the restoration of the telephone box was slow over 2019. The committee is slightly depleted in size and we all have busy lives (including one of the committee members getting puppies – who took a lot of looking after!). However, we continued to scrape and sand the many layers of paint off the outside of the box and did the same inside. The box has now almost entirely changed colour (bar the roof and the back which require a bit more scraping). We have applied a coat of primer to the bar metal on the areas of the box where we have removed paint.

We again decorated the box for Christmas but didn't wrap it up this year as the plastic wrapping we used last year to protect it from the worst of the weather created a lot of condensation. We aim to start work on it again as soon as the weather improves. In the Spring we will scrape off the rest of the paint, apply more primer, a coat of undercoat and the red top coat and then put in the new glass. We aim to have the restoration of the box completed by the end of this summer.

#### **Our plans for the future**

As we 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 facilities and walks.

Jane Pryce, the Parish Council clerk, managed to secure a grant in 2019 which has paid for some large lockable wooden display cases. These have been put up in the Well Head building and are being used to display parish notices and also artwork which was produced by children at the Rotherfield Greys Fete in September 2019. We intend to continue to use the display cases in this building to show art produced by pupils from Peppard Primary School and historical photographs of the village.

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We are hoping this will lead to being included in the Henley Arts Trail.

When the leaflet is written I will forward a copy to Jane for the parish council.

**Funding for the Restoration**

We have enough funds to purchase the materials needed to restore the telephone box and should also have some money for printing leaflets.

The parish council has promised £50 for the gold leaf and size (glue) for the crowns.

**The Parish Council meeting followed after the Parish Meeting**

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**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**015/20 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

SODC Councillor Jo Robb and Councillor Richard Ovey have send their apologies.

**016/20 MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL & PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS:**

None

**017/20 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES FROM 20<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2020**

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

**018/20 OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT:**

This report will be attached to the minutes and available on the website. Please also see above.

**019/20 SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT:**

This SODC report can be found on the website.

**020/20 CLERK'S REPORT**

The GAG email alert has been used a great deal for inform parishioners of severe weather events, road closures, planning applications and talks. This has been well received.

It was suggested that the clerk bring information strips on GAG to the litter pick and in the new noticeboard.

I attended a website accessibility course for the compliance for the visually impaired for use via a 'reader'. Small changes have been made to the minutes and the website will be scanned by an 'app' for check for compliance.

A SODC grant was applied for and granted for the purchase of a defibrillator to be installed at the village hall. SODC was thanked for the grant of £1,250.00 which is 100% of the cost. The only additional cost will be installation by an electrician and on-going replacement of pads (3 years) and batteries (7 years).

The clerk suggested that grants not be applied for this year to allow some spending of CIL money to prevent income rising too much and may cause the council to have the expense of an external audit. Or lose the CIL payments if not spend, as they have to be returned to SODC.

**021/20 PARISH ROADS**

Also please see above

The issues in Broadplat were discussed. It was decided that when an OCC Highways site visit was arranged by the clerk, then the neighbours should be involved. JH was asked to investigate the feeling of the residents to the suggestion of a one-way system.

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The clerk was asked to find out how much the improvements to the parking area in the village (as detailed above) would be and before the next meeting.

**022/20 MISCELLANEOUS:**

**a) Correspondence**

The Maltsters Arms – Gary Clarke – who did not attend.

The VE 75 year celebrations bank holiday weekend. They would like to run an event. Would anyone like to be involved? Details would be needed and then a GAG could be circulated.

Annual Community Emergency Planning Unit Survey 2020 form to be filled in. Greys Village hall and the Church/Elizabeth Room were decided on.

OALC letter to the chairman on the benefits of membership.

**b) Footpath report**

Please see above

**TIME SET ASIDE FOR QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**023/20 PLANNING/ENFORCEMENT**

**a) Applications to be considered**

**P19/S4085/FUL Amendment No. 2**

The Cottage, Highlands Farm, Highlands Lane RG9 4PR

Construction of 5 detached dwellings including garages on at land at the former 'Cottage' site, Highlands Lane, Highlands Farm, Henley-on-Thames RG9 4PR (as amended to alter the layout and design of the development)

RGPC response required by 17.3.20

**P20/S0481/HH**

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.

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**b) Planning responses**

**P19/S4085/FUL**

The Cottage, Highlands Farm, Highlands Lane RG9 4PR Construction of 5 detached dwellings including garages on at land at the former 'Cottage' site, Highlands Lane, Highlands Farm, Henley-on-Thames RG9 4PR

RGPC - OBJECTS/COMMENTS: This site is already overdeveloped and the consequent increase in traffic, so this application should be refused.

SODC Target Decision Date 8th January 2020

Amended – see above.

**P19/S2646/FUL Amendment No. 1**

Highlands Farm, Highlands Lane near Rotherfield Greys RG9 4PR

Full planning permission for a variation of housing mix at Highlands Farm (as consented under P17/S0024/RM), comprising the substitution of 85 dwellings in the central and south-western parts of the site with 113 dwellings; a net increase of 28 dwellings with 40% affordable housing maintained across the site, along with footpath connection (as amended to alter the route of the proposed footway off Highlands Lane and to provide minor adjustments to the development layout)

RGPC response OBJECTS

SODC Target Decision Date: 29th November 2019

**P19/S2646/FUL**

Highlands Farm, Highlands Lane near Rotherfield Greys RG9 4PR

A variation of housing mix at Highlands Farm (as consented under P17/S0024/RM), comprising the substitution of 85 dwellings in the central and south-western parts of the site with 113 dwellings; a net increase of 28 dwellings with 40% affordable housing maintained across the site, along with footpath connection.

RGPC response OBJECTS with following comments:

“Overdevelopment of site. More undesirable vehicle movement into village road. Three storey height unwelcome in ANOB. “

“Wood cladding is inappropriate and too high for maintenance for ‘affordable’ housing. Height increase, with rooms into roofing is unacceptable as houses will then be widely visible in AONB. Thus spoiling the look of our village. Street lighting is currently out of keeping with village setting and causing light pollution. All should be refused.”

“Remain opposed to the overdevelopment of the site and the increased traffic generated through Rotherfield Greys. The increase to 191 units will increase traffic movements further.”

The drawing plans were received late and an extension of week was given for response.

RGPC - OBJECTS/COMMENTS: Inappropriate to exceed the agreed number of houses as this is a rural location without the road network to support these extra homes/cars/traffic.

SODC Target Decision Date: 29th November 2019

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**P19/S1839/FUL**

Badgemore Park Golf Club, Badgemore RG9 4NR

Upgrade an existing vehicular access to public highway together with replacement entrance gate

RGPC - NO OBJECTIONS but the response date was missed

SODC Target Decision Date 8th August 2019

**c) Planning decisions**

**P19/S4511/LB**

Backus, Shepherds Green RG9 4QN

Demolition of outbuilding and erection of replacement garage, associated landscaping works.

Replacement doors to house.

RGPC - NO OBJECTIONS

SODC - Granted

**P19/S4492/HH**

Backus, Shepherds Green RG9 4QN

Demolition of outbuilding and erection of replacement garage, associated landscaping works.

Replacement doors to house.

RGPC - NO OBJECTIONS

SODC – Granted

**P19/S4598/HH**

Rosebank, Shepherds Green RG9 4QL

Erection of single storey front porch and alteration to existing front door (including increasing structural opening width)

RGPC - NO OBJECTIONS

SODC - Granted

**P19/S4603/LB**

1&3 Pear Tree Cottages, Rotherfield Greys RG9 4QB

Replacement door frames, front entrance door and two windows-no 1 Pear Tree Cottages.

Replacement window-No3 - Pear Tree Cottages

RGPC - NO OBJECTIONS

SODC - Granted

**P19/S2047/HH**

Lambridge Wood Farm, Bix RG9 4RZ

Roof conversion and extension to the Old Stables. Rear extension to existing garage to provide additional storage

RGPC - NO OBJECTIONS

WITHDRAWN

Greys Meadow was asked about. Was enforcement happening? The clerk was asked to obtain the current state of this from our SODC councillors.

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**024/20 FINANCE**

**a) Donations/Subs:**

OALC annual subscription £140.42  
Henley & District CAB donation £150  
CFO annual subscription £35

**b) Accounts to pay:**

**Jane Pryce**

Clerk's salary (Feb/Mar) £297.70  
Office rent £ 41.68  
**Total for cheque £339.38**

**WELmedical** for 1 defibrillator – order placed but not received yet. Cost £1,500. SODC grant of £1,250.00 received for this. Which is cost net.

**SODC** - Contested election fee £100

**c) Payments received**

Bank interest £3.80

Bank Balance £22,237.18

Warning – Income is now £20,858.87 for 2019/20. If income exceeds £25,000 this would mean the expense/time of an external audit.

ND is now a signatory for cheques. But the clerk had not received confirmation of this – only verbal.

**025/20 COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY - PROPOSALS**

For 2018/19 £2,489.76

For 2019/20 £9,959.04

Total: £12,448.80

The 2018/19 CIL of £1,046.37 was spent on the white lining in parish. This leaves £1,443.39 from the 2018/19 payment.

A SODC 1,250.00 grant was received for the new noticeboard in bus shelter so total net payment was £1,675.00. This was deemed a community access so CIL monies can be used.

The 2018/19 CIL monies are now spent and leaves the 2019/20 total as £9,727.43

Village gates between Rocky Lane junction and War memorial has been put forward to mark change of speed limit to 30mph. Quote of £4,000. There is an OCC Highways grant available £1,000 – this has been applied for.

Second CIL payment relating to Badgemoor development £4,979.52.

**ROTHERFIELD GREYS  
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING  
AND PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT 7.30PM ON MONDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2020  
IN GREYS VILLAGE HALL, GREYS GREEN**

**The total CIL money available for any highways/community improvements is now £9,727.43**

Improvements around the village near the church and post box would be thought about.

The clerk was asked to pursue improvement to the area around the post box and opposite church entrance.

**026/20 MATTERS ARISING FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

An updated USB stick backup of council business was given to the chairman. This forms an offsite backup. The clerk has forgotten to bring the USB but will deliver this next week.

JH suggested that the War Memorial should be plain grass and have no hedging around it. This was disagreed with. The clerk was asked to look into double kerbing round the sharp corner there with OCC Highways.

**War memorial damage log:**

None to report at this meeting.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.27 PM

Next meeting – 11<sup>th</sup> May 2020