

WEST HENDRED PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of West Hendred Parish Council held on Thursday 12th November 2020 at 7.30pm by Zoom Conference

Present: Cllr Dave Clayton (Chair), Cllr Ban Bashford, Cllr Sarah Lloyd, Cllr Richard Evans

Clerk/Finance Officer: Julia Evans

District Councillor: Cllr Janet Shelley

County Councillor:

**Members of the
Public:**

		Action:
112/20	ELECTION OF CHAIR Cllr Clayton was nominated. Proposed Cllr Bashford, Seconded Cllr Lloyd. RESOLVED. Cllr Clayton signed the declaration of acceptance of office.	
113/20	ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR Cllr Lloyd was nominated. Proposed Cllr Clayton, Seconded Cllr Bashford.	
114/20	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE County Councillor Fox-Davies.	
115/20	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None.	
116/20	MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS The minutes of the meeting held on 10 th September 2020 were reviewed and approved. Proposed: Cllr Clayton; Seconded: Cllr Lloyd. RESOLVED.	
	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF 10TH SEPTEMBER 2020	
117/20	92/20 (69/20 - 38/20 - 26/20 – 4/20 - 151/19 - 119/19 - 112/19) – Tree Survey Clerk to chase Oakleaf for the survey report.	Clerk
118/20	93/20 (70/20 - 39/20 - 162/19) – Adding The Hare to the local Historic Environment Record Cllr Bashford had submitted the request.	CLOSED
119/20	UPDATE FROM COMMUNITY SUPPORT GROUP Mr Findley had sent a report outlining the support that had been set up by VHWDC.	
120/20	DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT Cllr Shelley sent a written report which had previously been circulated. Cllr Shelley reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Vale staff are all working from home. Cllr Shelley requested that all contact be by email. b) Community Groups were thanked for their support during COVID. The Community Hub is still available. c) Leisure Centres will be closed during the new lockdown. d) There are no further Councillor grants available, but it may be possible to help Community Groups if they are struggling. e) Both the Vale and OCC have written to the Government opposing their proposals for reforms to the planning system. f) There will be a briefing event on the Oxford-Cambridge arc on 17th November. The event will run from midday to 1,30pm. g) The Vale has opened a consultation on off street parking which closes on 19th November. A new policy is due early next year. h) The Vale is reviewing CIL to ensure it is used appropriately and promptly. The current rules have made it difficult to spend CIL funds. 	

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	<p>i) The UK terror threat had increased to severe. Cllr Lloyd asked whether the Parish Council should publicise the Community Hub. Cllr Shelley agreed that we should. Cllr Lloyd asked for details of the local food bank. Cllr Shelley agreed to find out. Cllr Clayton noted that there was one in Wantage and he would find the details. Cllr Shelley was thanked for attending.</p>	JS/DC
121/20	<p>COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT Cllr Fox-Davies had sent a written report which had been previously circulated.</p>	
122/20	<p>POLICE REPORT A written report have been previously circulated. The report noted that a resident had reported a lifted manhole cover, there had been a shed break-in and a bicycle had been stolen; there had been incidents of Hare Coursing.</p>	
123/20	<p>OPEN FORUM No members of the public.</p>	
124/20	<p>PLAYING FIELD</p> <p>a) Playground Inspection. Clerk to send Cllr Bashford the checklist.</p> <p>b) Agility Trail replacement. Paul Stoter was awaiting delivery of supplies. Cllr Bashford agreed to take off the area again.</p> <p>c) Playing Field Trees, Corpus Christi's agents had written stating that maintenance of the trees was the Parish Council's responsibility. Clerk to write to the Bursar again pointing out that there was a history of the college taking responsibility for the trees, and explaining that we have little funds. Clerk to check the lease.</p> <p>d) Playing Field Grass Cutting. Two quotes had been received; Paul Stoter's was better value. Brian Softe had also been asked to quote, but he had not yet responded. It was agreed to await Mr Softe's quote.</p> <p>e) New equipment. Clerk to add to the March agenda. Cllr Lloyd to speak to suppliers in February.</p>	Clerk DB Clerk Clerk/SL
125/20	<p>PLANNING MATTERS</p> <p>a) P20/V2533/HH – Curly Cottage, Ginge Road. Construction of a new single storey wooden garden shed behind existing shed and annex buildings. The Parish Council had no objection to this application.</p>	
	FINANCIAL MATTERS	
126/20	<p>Ratification of October Payments. The October payments totalling £530.81 were ratified. Proposed Cllr Clayton, Seconded Cllr Evans. RESOLVED.</p>	
127/20	<p>Approval of November Payments The payments for approval totalled £245.75. Proposed Cllr Evans, Seconded Cllr Clayton. RESOLVED.</p>	
128/20	<p>Bank Account Access Clerk to send Cllr Lloyd a copy of the latest bank statement. Cllr Lloyd to contact the bank again.</p>	Clerk/SL
129/20	<p>Draft 2021/22 Budget The draft budget for 2021/22 was presented and reviewed. To be approved at the January meeting. The village grass cutting contract to be added to the January agenda.</p>	Clerk
130/20	<p>NEW WEBSITE REGULATIONS Clerk to consider what action other Parish Councils are taking. Councillors to supply photographs of themselves for inclusion on the website.</p>	Clerk All Councillors
131/20	<p>GDPR ACTION PLAN</p> <p>a) Councillor email accounts. Cllr Evans to set up a Parish Council email account.</p>	RE
132/20	<p>MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE</p> <p>a) FTTP Broadband – rural gigabit voucher scheme. Clerk to ask</p>	

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	the resident who raised this matter to get some costings. b) New Cycle Route. A resident had raised concerns about the surface on the new route and questioned whether the surfacing was complete. Cllr Clayton felt that it was finished but agreed to investigate. Cllr Evans agreed to cycle the route to establish whether the surface would cause problems for cyclists. A resident from East Hendred had written noting that the project was not likely to be completed before December. Cllr Clayton to obtain an update. Cllr Lloyd questioned the concrete apron; Cllr Clayton pointed out that this was necessary to aid farm traffic.	Clerk DC/RE
133/20	NEWSLETTER ITEMS Publicise the Community Support Hub and thank The Hare for providing meals for children during the school half term.	SL
134/20	AOB (for information only) Playing Field & Defibrillators inspections: December – Cllr Lloyd January – Cllr Evans	
135/20	DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday 21 st January 2021 at 7.30pm	

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm

Signed

Dated

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