

## WEST HENDRED PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Meeting of West Hendred Parish held on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 7.30pm At West Hendred Village Hall

**Present:** Cllr Dave Clayton (Chair), Cllr Richard Evans, Cllr Hugo Axel-Berg, Cllr Sarah Lloyd

**Clerk/Finance Officer:** Julia Evans

**District Councillor:**

**County Councillor:**

**Members of the Public:** Mr Stephen Rudgard

		<b>Action:</b>
<b>01/23</b>	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> Cllr Bashford	
<b>02/23</b>	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b> None	
<b>03/23</b>	<b>MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING</b> The minutes of the meeting held on 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2022 were reviewed and approved. The clerk made an amendment to minute reference 127/22 to indicate who had requested the grant. Proposed: Cllr Clayton; Seconded: Cllr Axel-Berg. RESOLVED. The minutes were signed.	
<b>04/23</b>	<b>OPEN FORUM</b> Mr Rudgard gave a presentation on John Kingham Reeves who was a key character in the village in the 19 <sup>th</sup> Century. He had lived at The Manor until his death in 1879. There were several memorials to him and his family in the church. A relative had sent him a portrait of John Kingham Reeves and he asked where it could be displayed. Cllr Evans suggested the church or Champs Chapel in East Hendred. Cllr Clayton suggested the Vale and Downland museum but it was felt that it should be held somewhere more local. The Lloyd-Lindsey rooms was also suggested. It was felt that the village hall would not be appropriate as it was an active hall and there was a risk of damage. It was felt that Mr Kingham Reeves' history should accompany the portrait. Mr Rudgard agreed to contact the Archivist at Ardington. Mr Rudgard was thanked for attending.	
	<b>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF 10<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER</b>	
<b>05/23</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) <b>Dangerous kerb at the junction of Bankside and the Greenway.</b> OCC Highways had advised that the work would be done in the next financial year.</li> <li>b) <b>Letter about the ford.</b> Cllr Clayton had spoken to Mr Tarran, who had agreed to look into this. Cllr Axel-Berg felt that the only solution would be to install a new drain. No further action.</li> </ul>	<b>CLOSED</b>
<b>06/23</b>	<b>UPDATE ON PROPOSED CROSSING ON A417</b> OCC had informed the Parish Council that the parish consultation on the proposed crossing would open at the end of January. Cllr Clayton to report back to Mrs Crearer.	<b>DC</b>
<b>07/23</b>	<b>DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT</b> No report.	
<b>08/23</b>	<b>COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT</b> No report.	
<b>09/23</b>	<b>PLAYING FIELD</b>	

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	<p>a) <b>Playground Inspection. (Cllr Clayton for December, Cllr Lloyd for November)</b> There were no issues in December. The January inspection was yet to be carried out. Cllr Evans suggested carrying out extra checks on the defibrillator due to the current issues with the ambulance service. It was agreed to remind people about the defibrillator and to put out a request for a volunteer to train as a Community First Responder. Clerk to find out who the Community First Responder is in East Hendred.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SL</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Clerk</b></p>
<b>10/23</b>	<p><b>PLANNING MATTERS</b></p> <p>a) <b>P22/V2984/FUL – Johnsons Farm.</b> Change of use of land from agriculture to tourism uses, stationing of camping pods and siting of communal activity space; use of barn for ancillary purposes; and associated landscaping. Cllr Clayton explained where the site was and that access was from Farnborough Road. Cllr Evans noted that it was stated that the site was aimed at walkers, riders etc and that screening of the site was already in place. There were no objections.</p>	
	<b>FINANCIAL MATTERS</b>	
<b>11/23</b>	<p><b>Ratification of December payments.</b> The payments totalling £317.48 were ratified. Proposed Cllr Clayton, Seconded Cllr Axel-Berg. <b>RESOLVED.</b></p>	
<b>12/23</b>	<p><b>Approval of January Payments</b> The payments for approval totalled £364.50. Proposed Cllr Clayton, Seconded Cllr Lloyd. <b>RESOLVED.</b></p>	
<b>13/23</b>	<p><b>TREE WORK AND NEW TREES</b> Clerk to get quotes for a 2m tall cherry tree with rootball. A post and strap would also be required. A budget of £200 was approved. Proposed Cllr Axel-Berg, Seconded Cllr Evans. <b>RESOLVED.</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Clerk</b></p>
<b>14/23</b>	<p><b>CONSULTATIONS ON PROPOSED RESERVOIR</b> Following discussion it was agreed to take no action.</p>	
<b>15/23</b>	<p><b>DIDCOT AREA TRAVEL PLAN</b> Mr Campbell had attended a meeting about this and sent a report which had been circulated. No action arising. Mr Campbell was thanked for attending the meeting.</p>	
<b>16/23</b>	<p><b>MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE</b></p> <p>a) <b>Complaint about dog waste.</b> There was discussion on the problem. It was agreed to put an item in the newsletter reminding people how to dispose of dog waste responsibly.</p> <p>b) <b>2023 Parish Council elections.</b> If the election was contested, it was agreed that funds would need to come from reserves to pay for it. It was agreed to put a note in the newsletter informing people that the elections were taking place. Clerk to draft.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Clerk</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Clerk</b></p>
<b>17/23</b>	<p><b>NEWSLETTER ITEMS</b> Defibrillator and Community First Responder – Cllr Lloyd Dog waste and 2023 elections - Clerk</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SL/Clerk</b></p>
<b>18/23</b>	<p><b>AOB (for information only)</b></p> <p>a) <b>Playing Field &amp; Defibrillator inspections:</b> Cllr Axel-Berg (February)/Cllr Evans (March).</p> <p>b) <b>To be included on the March agenda:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Coronation</li> <li>ii. Village Green policy</li> <li>iii. Annual Reviews</li> </ol>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Clerk</b></p>
<b>19/23</b>	<p><b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b> Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.</p>	

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The meeting closed at 20.55

Signed .....

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