

**MINUTES OF OCKHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY 9th APRIL 2024 at All Saints' Church
Commenced at 8pm**

<p>PRESENT: Mrs Jamieson (Vice Chair) Mr Bevan Ms Moran</p>	<p>In attendance: Mrs Blackwell (Parish Clerk) GBC Cllr Oven</p>
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24/590 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Dr Aish, Miss Lofthouse, Mrs Neish, Mrs Shepherdly and SCC Cllr Booth. Mrs Jamieson Chaired the Meeting.

24/591 Disclosure of interest

No disclosures of interest.

24/592 Questions from Members of the Public

There were no Members of the Public.

24/593 Approve Minutes of the Parish Meeting on 12th March 2024.

The Minutes of the Meetings were approved and signed by the Vice Chair.

24/594 Matters arising not on Agenda

23/536 To consider whether the Council should make a further contribution in support of its role as a Rule 6 Party – The Chair has received the advice from the VAT specialist and an invoice has been received by OPC for £1,200. Next step, the Chair and Mr Bevan are reviewing the advice and will share the information with the Councillors and Mr Mulberry at Surrey ALC, further update at a future meeting.

MA/PB

24/572 c.) Broken cable at the Church – Awaiting feedback from the Insurance company.

24/573b.) National Highways M25/A3 J10 interchange works – Invited Mr Wade to the April Meeting. Mr Wade declined to attend the Parish Meeting without seeing the Chair and Vice Chair beforehand. The Chair has already stated it was not appropriate to attend a private meeting, as it is a Public Meeting and hoped that Mr Wade would be able to attend a future Parish Meeting.

24/575a.) Handyperson to do small jobs – Agreed to seek quotes for the small jobs.

24/584b.) Concurrent Functions Grant for the Memorial Garden – Installation of the bird and BAT boxes arranged, project now completed and funding closed.

24/584c.) Concurrent Functions Grant for a Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) – Resolved to carry forward. Mrs Neish to follow up with Mr Hein the approval to erect the sign on Old Lane following the site visit. Update requested on the speed data from the existing VAS sign for the next meeting.

RN/CS

24/595 SCC and GBC Updates

a.) Update from GBC Cllr Oven:

i.) Enforcement update – Mr Oven and Mrs Jamieson have arranged to meet Mrs Searle, GBC Planning Enforcement Team leader, to review the outstanding enforcement cases, 14 outstanding.

PO/IJ

b.) Update from SCC Cllr Booth:

Agreed to defer the items to the next meeting for update:

- i.) Poor state of repair on Old Lane and safety concerns – Cllr Booth advised 9 potholes have been filled, lodged complaints about Old Lane and unsatisfactory treatment of potholes. DB
- ii.) Snakesfield – Cllr Booth is chasing a response regarding the outstanding land registration. DB
- iii.) Traffic diversion during A3 and M25 closure weekends – Cllrs requested that the old diversion signs should be removed after the closures as causing confusion. Cllrs expressed concern, as there appears to be some confusion between the responsibilities of SCC and those of National Highways on matters affecting the Community. DB
- iv.) Cllr Booth agreed to seek clarification on when the DCO works will be completed, resolved to carry forward. DB
- v.) Lack of pavement by the War Memorial – Cllr Booth advised that a SCC representative would visit to cost the works for consideration, pending. DB
- vi.) Update on the 20s plenty from the contact who advised that Ockham Lane is not suitable. DB

24/596 Planning Matters

a.) Current Planning Applications

Noted the update report circulated by Mrs Jamieson:

i.) Planning Application Reference: 24/P/00238 Wilderness Cottage, Hatch Lane KT11 1NR. Proposal: 3 Certificates of Lawfulness for proposed development. Noted 2 decided, 1 approved for the trees, 1 refused and 1 awaiting a decision for the summer house.

ii.) Enforcement Brick Kiln Copse, Old Lane – Updated discussed under 24/595a.

iii.) Antler Home – Liaising with West Horsley Parish Council who are liaising with the developers about flooding issues as on the boundary, update pending.

iv.) Long Reach Field Article 4 – West Horsley Parish Council seeking joint action as on the boundary. Cllrs approved joint action, update pending.

v.) Planning Application Reference: 24/P/00424 Meadow Cottage, Elm Corner, Ockham, Woking, GU23 6PX Proposed two storey front extension, loft conversion into habitable accommodation with associated gables and the replacement of all windows and doors, following minor demolition works to the existing house. Mrs Jamieson declared a conflict of interest as a neighbour and refrained from the discussions. The Cllrs agreed not to object on the grounds that the plans do not make the footprint materially larger, and the height adjustment is modest.

b.) Application for Former Wisley Airfield - Reference 22/P/01175. Appeal:

APP/Y3615/W/23/3320175 – Decision from the Inspector expected in April.

c.) Update from the Wisley Action Group - WAG continues to fund raise to pay for the shortfall for the fees for the professional experts required by WAG/OPC/RHS as a Rule 6 party.

24/597 Financial matters

a.) Payments/received to bank account and balance - Updated budget and cashbook circulated and approved by the Cllrs. The year-end Community Account as 31st March 2024 - £17,250. Cllrs Approved payments: SALC/NALC subs - £143.27, Bird boxes - £70, Handley Roberts LLP VAT advice - £1,200, Castle water - £52.97, Admin salary, expenses and HMRC payments for March 2024, printer cartridge - £29.99. Payments received Parish precept April 2024 - £8445.50 and Grant Aid Memorial Garden £35.

24/598 Highways

a.) SCC Highway issues – Received details from a neighbouring Parish Council for a safety contact at SCC to approach to request HGV signage. RN

b.) National Highways M25/A3 J10 interchange works – Updates circulated

about the upcoming closures for M25 Junction10 to Junction 11 for week commencing 8th and 15th April 2024. Noted GBC Environmental Services are liaising with Residents re: light, dust and noise pollution.

- c.) **Eastern Flood Forum** - Minutes of the Meeting from the first Flood Forum held on 22nd March 2024 were circulated. Agreed to publicise on the OPC website when finalised. Thanks were given to Mrs Neish and Mrs Shepherdly for all the work in setting up the Forum. Agreed to request a quote for the ditch by the War Memorial to be maintained, to review at the next Meeting.
- d.) **Review of speed data** - Agreed to carry forward.

**PC
RN/CS**

24/599 Any items for noting or inclusion on a future Agenda –

- a.) Arrangements for the Annual Meeting 14th May 2024 at 8pm at the Cricket Club – Mr Edwards invited as guest speaker and Mrs Bevan agreed to unveil the plaque for the commemorative trees planted at the cricket club before the Annual Meeting commences. Agreed to provide wine, soft drinks and crisps and to ask Mrs Porter to advertise the event.
- b.) To include on the Agenda an update on the new Village Hall.

MA/PC

24/600 Date of next meeting – Tuesday 14th May 2024 at the Ockham Cricket Club, Ockham Lane, GU23 6NP. Parish Meeting at 6.30pm and Annual Meeting at 8pm.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.10pm
Alyson Blackwell, Clerk to Ockham Parish Council