

**MINUTES OF OCKHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY 12th OCTOBER 2021
held at All Saints' Church
Commenced at 8pm**

PRESENT: Dr Aish (Chair) Mrs Jamieson (Vice Chair) Miss Lofthouse Mr Waldman	In attendance: Mrs Blackwell (Parish Clerk) Mr Cross GBC/SCC Cllr 1 Local Resident
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21/226 Apologies for Absence

Apologies received from Mrs Walton and Mr Walton.

21/227 Disclosure of Interest

No disclosures of interest.

21/228 Questions from Members of the Public

A local resident asked if anyone has applied to attend the Planning Committee meeting on 3rd November 2021 for the Parish Rooms change of use application. Chair response sent an objection letter with comments; the Parish Council will not be attending. Cllr Cross response when asked about the application, the decision will be based on a legal advice on change of use.

The local resident quoted Policy LNP15: Community Facilities *a) existing facilities in Lovelace will be protected from development unless suitable alternative provision of equal value to the community already exists or replacement facilities can be provided close to the settlements and are operational before the closure of existing facilities.* Expressed view in contravention of the Neighbourhood Plan.

The local resident asked what is happening about the enlarged hub at the cricket club as not been consulted. Mrs Jamieson responded in her capacity as Trustee for Ockham Playing Field Trust and not as a Parish Councillor; initial consultation has been sent out by the Playing Field Trust to seek views and responses returned to get an initial view on what Residents want to gauge opinion. Feedback will be shared with the Parish Council, Cricket Club and Residents. Mrs Jamieson clarified when asked that the Playing Field Trust is a separate Trust to the Parish Room Trust.

The Chair concluded the questions relating to the Playing Field Trust, as they are a separate Trust.

21/229 Approve Minutes of the Meeting on 14th September 2021

The Minutes of the Meeting on 14th September 2021 were approved and signed by the Chair.

21/230 Matters Arising not on agenda:

21/219b.) Review of the Local Plan – Update by Cllr Cross. Office of National Statistic, expect feedback from the Consultants by end of November. Town Centre Master Plan under review, possible scope for greater provision. Consultants expected to feedback in November and would be involved in any realignment of the Plan.

21/220b.) Tree Preservation Order – Received Tree Preservation Order (No.6) of 2021 from GBC for Land adjacent to Ockham Road North, West Horsley dated 23rd September 2021.

21/221 Feedback on local issues raised with PCSO, Surrey Police

a.) Anti social behaviour at Ockham Bites – To carry forward, awaiting a date from Surrey Police to discuss the issues on location with the Sergeant. IJ

21/222b.) Concurrent Functions Grant applications 2022-23 – 3 Grant applications submitted, awaiting a decision.

21/231 Planning Matters

a.) Planning Applications as at 4.10.21. Updated report circulated to Cllrs, no new planning applications received.

1. Reference: 21/P/01728 Location: Galcon Barn, Slade Farm, Ockham Road North, Ockham, Woking, GU23 6AL Proposal: Alterations to front roof, front porch canopy, two ground floor side extensions with balconies above, first floor rear extension with two balconies, changes to fenestration, bin storage area and (retrospective) detached plant room. Consent given for an existing barn to be converted into a dwelling in March 2020 granted under permitted development rights. Planning now to extend the new house by 30%. OPC agreed to send objection letter with an apology for the delay. IJ

2. Snakes Field – Concern expressed about the electric fence at the lower level.

3. Concerns have been expressed about the high number of dogs walkers have who are using the Airfield and incidents where dogs intimidate people, as they are not under control. Taylor Wimpey have responded re concerns and asked the security team to request dog walkers with more than 4 dogs not to walk across the privately owned land by Taylor Wimpey.

4. Received notification that Taylor Wimpey have brought forward the CLG Meeting to 21st October 2021 at 5pm, expected to submit a hybrid Planning Application in late November 2021. Mrs Jamieson asked if able to attend the meeting. IJ

21/232 Highways

a.) M25/A3 J10 proposed interchange upgrade works – Pending SoS decision 12.11.21. Discussion took place on the response from Mr Wade, Highways England (renamed National Highways) to Cllr Cross on plans to commence vegetation works in the next 5 days on Ockham and Wisley Common areas, ahead of the DCO decision. The Cllrs expressed concerns about the HE response and presumption that as the SoS decision is deferred they have permission to proceed with the plans. Mr Wade made reference in the response to no complaints received. Cllrs expressed concern as Elm Corner residents have raised complaints.

Resolution, agreed to send a letter to the SoS for Transport, Rt Hon Grant Shapps, Chairman of Balfour Beatty and Rt Hon Michael Gove as expressed interest in environmental matters relating to the Surrey Hills; to seek assurance on deferring the vegetation works pending the SoS decision. Of particular concern in view of COP26 and the environmental aspects as destruction to the habitat would be irreversible. Mrs Jamieson agreed to lead on the response and contact Tony Edwards for advice. IJ

b.) Enforcing local vehicle load weight restrictions – Agreed to continue with data capture to assess the impact of the vehicle-activated signs. Mr Waldman has set up a whatsapp group for Residents to report issues of lorries exceeding the load weight restrictions. Agreed to check with Surrey Police on the process prior to sharing the whatApp. Agreed to carry forward the recommendation from Surrey Police to have an enforcement day and to scope the issues for Surrey Police on the best time and most effected location for the event. SW
GW

c.) Fly tipping incidents – Cllr Cross has raised the concern about fly tipping with the JAG. Local resident also raised concern about fly tipping at byway 525 (BOAT) where SCC has installed concrete blocks and fly-tippers have now damaged their fence. Cllrs were sorry to hear about the damage and resolved to inform the resident to contact the Countryside Estate Team at SCC as they installed the blocks. IJ

21/233 Financial matters

a.) Cheques paid out/money received to bank account balance – updated budget and cashbook circulated to Cllrs, Community Account as at 12th October 2021 - £28,738. Approved payments: Garden Maintenance September 2021 - £360, Castle Water-£40.95, printer cartridges and stamps - £89.92. Received payment: Precept 2nd payment - £7,584.

b.) OPC website – Update received from Mr Waldman; new website expected to be completed in 30 days and new email addresses. Training to be provided for the Parish Clerk. Access will automatically switch to the new website when launched. SW

c.) OPC Noticeboard – Concern raised by the PCC that the noticeboard is not in the right place as it may cause confusion that notices apply to church matters. Resolved to arrange for the noticeboard to be moved to the left of the entrance to the OPC burial ground where markers have been put in place. PC/MA

21/234 Correspondence

a.) Received a letter from Cllr Joss Bigmore, Leader of Council to request a letter of support for the City status bid – Resolved to send letter to support the bid. MA

21/235 Any items for noting or inclusion on future Agenda

Noted that Mrs Frances Porter has agreed to Chair OHRA, the Cllrs expressed their thanks. Noted plans in the pipeline for a Newsletter for Ockham Residents, suggestion made to share details on the whatsapp being set up for flood monitoring and traffic monitoring as discussed at the meeting.

20/236 Date of next meeting – 9th November 2021 at 8pm at All Saints' Church.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.45pm
Alyson Blackwell, Clerk to Ockham Parish Council