

## HOLTON PARISH COUNCIL

The Holton Parish Council meeting was held in Holton Village Hall on Monday 8th April 2019 starting at 7.30 pm

**Present:**

Chairman Robert Barter  
Councillor Brian Pridmore  
Councillor Allan East  
Parish Clerk Sonja Barter

**Also present:** John Walsh (District Councillor) Tim Bearder (County Councillor)

**1. Apologies:** none

**1a. Declarations of interest:** none

### OPEN FORUM

Tim Bearder reported on County Council matters: Climate change strategy adopted by CC.

John Walsh is involved with District Council Elections in May. Local Plan deposited with the Inspector.

**2** To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Monday 18th March 2019 which had been circulated to all councillors before the meeting.

Proposed by Brian Pridmore

Seconded by Robert Barter

**All agreed**

**3. Matters Arising from the Minutes:**

May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2019 - District and Parish Council Elections. Three Parish Councillors have been nominated: Robert Barter, Roger Farrow and Allan East. The election is therefore uncontested and the three nominees will serve as Parish Councillors for the forthcoming term of office. There are two vacancies on the Parish Council and unless parishioners demand an election the two vacancies will be filled by co-option after May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Village Spring Clean – Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2019 from 10.00 am start at Holton Village Hall.

Advertised on Village Notice Boards, Magazine and Next Door Holton.

Annual Parish Meeting to be held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2019 starting at 7.30 pm – Local village groups and organisations to be invited to report and the Vicar Rev. David Bendor Samuel to be invited to speak.

Forest Hill PC – Response has been sent regarding the Forest Hill/Holton A40 layby suggesting a site meeting – awaiting reply.

#### 4. Traffic, Road and Highway Matters

Highways entrance conditions - Highways contacted again and still no response regarding any progress.

Report back to Fix my Street – Chair and litter still alongside the A40 – Biffa awaiting a Highways traffic order for a lane closure before carrying out the work.

#### 5. Financial Matters

##### a. Accounts submitted for payment

March 2019: Office expenses y/e 31/03/19	104.01
Clerk's Annual allowance – home office	152.00
April 2019:	
Clerk's Salary April	385.00
Clive Laman Village/Orchard Maintenance March	401.00
Holton Village Hall hire March	13.00
R. Taylor Landscapes Orchard March	72.00
R. Taylor Landscapes Churchyard March	85.72
Oxford Greenbelt Network Annual sub.	15.00
Arrow Accounting Internal Audit	248.00
OALC Sub 2019-20	138.97
Community First Annual Sub.	35.00

**Precept received 03/04/19 (2019/20) 1<sup>st</sup> half - £9,684.00**

##### b. Bank balances after paying above cheques and money received.

Deposit	£16,057.91
Current	£861.65

**It was proposed by Robert Barter and seconded by Allan East that the Clerk's Report be accepted and the accounts paid.** **All Agreed**

#### 6. District/County Councillors

Reported in Open Forum

#### 7. Churchyard

Planning Application for change of use to be completed.

**8. Neighbourhood Plan**

Consultation delayed due to District and Parish Elections. Public consultation now 7 May to 21 June 2019. Notes regarding the consultation delivered in Holton via The Wheatley News. Print an explanation in the May Holton News.

**9. Local Plan**

SODC have submitted the Local Plan to the Inspector along with the public comments.

**10. Oxford/Cambridge Expressway**

Two groups the Horton-cum-Studley Group now known as the No Expressway Group and the larger group known as The Expressway Action Group.

Holton PC to find out more about the the Expressway Action Group and check with Wheatley Parish Council on what local initiatives are in place regarding the proposed Expressway routes.

**11. Planning Applications:**

None.

**12. Planning Decisions (South Oxfordshire District Council)**

none.

**13. Reports.**

Holton Village Hall Management Meeting April report: Another successful Film Night on April 5<sup>th</sup>. Trivia Quiz on Friday May 24<sup>th</sup> and another Film Night on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May.

NAG Meeting on 2 April attended by Fred and Liz Dike – minutes circulated.

Bus stop swap shop on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April organised by the East family £60 raised for the Woodland Trust.

**14. Publications/Letters and Forthcoming Events.**

Wheatley Play and Activity Day planning meeting to be held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 10.00 am in Wheatley Parish office. It was agreed to award a grant of £200 to the Play Day.

Holton surface dressing Traffic Regulation Notice 'no waiting' from 12 June 2019 – the village road from the green to the farms. The anticipated completion date is 16 June.

Holton Orchard meeting to be held on 9 April.

Police local surgeries to be held at the Merry Bells on 10/04/19 and 08/05/19 at 11.00 am

**15. Items for discussion and/or referral to a future meeting**

Inconsiderate parking on the road causing obstructions to driveways. A note to be put in the Parish magazine. The Police advise taking a photo and contacting the Police.

Contact Fix my Street and report pot hole stretching across the road at the Warren Farm corner.

Remove the batteries from the lights on the village green.

**16. Date of next meeting.** The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019 starting at 7.30 pm in Holton Village Hall Committee Room.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45 pm.