NEWINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Meeting Held in St Giles Church on Thursday 18th November 2021

Attendees	Cllr. James Nettleton (JN) Chairman Cllr. Mike Black (MB) Cllr. Peter Ablett (PA) Cllr. Duncan Howlett (DH) Cllr. Graham Howlett (GH) Cllr. David Turner (DT) (SODC) Eva Goble (EG) (Clerk)
Apologies	Cllr. Robin Bennett (RB) (OCC)

Ref	Item	Notes	Action
119/21	Introduction	The Chairman (JN) opened the meeting and welcomed all present.	
120/21	Apologies	As above.	
121/21	Minutes of the Last Meeting	The minutes of the meeting held on 9th September 2021 were agreed by the Councillors who had been present, approved and signed by the Chairman	
122/21	Declarations of interest regarding items on agenda	DH and GH both declared an interest in P21/52350/DIS – Fairview Farm, agenda item 10b/21.	
123/21	Proposal to appoint new RFO	Proposed by DH, seconded by PA and resolved by a unanimous vote that Mr John Polhill is appointed Responsible Financial Officer on a voluntary and unsalaried basis. Mr Polhill agreed to take the position on these terms. DH thanked JN for all his hard work as RFO.	
124 /21	Matters Arising Not on agenda	None.	
125/21	Open Forum & Village Matters	As no members of the public were present there were no items to discuss.	
126/21	District Councillor Report (DT) (Appendix 1)	DT reviews and summarises his report. Key issues highlighted: Councillor's Community Grant Scheme 2021/22 will re-open for bids on 22/11/21 with £5000 available to allocate. Garden waste collections are now fully operational again. To make up for the disruption customers will get three extra months' added to their current subscription	

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127/21	County Councillor Report (RB) (Appendix 2)	New 20mph Policy passed by Cabinet. Requests from parishes will be prioritised by need. Measures supported will be in areas that can range from a whole village or a single street. The area of the proposed restriction should not have a speed limit that is greater than 40mph. The Leader of the County Council, Cllr Liz Leffman, wrote to the prime minister in advance of the government's autumn budget to highlight the predicted funding shortfalls in social care for adults and children. Out-of-hours Highways Service up and running. Oxfordshire residents can now report a highways matter to Oxfordshire County Council outside normal office hours – including evenings, weekends and bank holidays – if there are concerns about it causing an accident or damaging property, by calling 01223 849731. Civil Parking Enforcement started 1 st November. This means parking offences previously enforced by the police become the responsibility of Oxfordshire County Council. Covid-19 Vaccinations. The NHS National Booking Service for COVID-19 vaccinations is now open to parents wanting to book a jab for their child aged 12 - 15. Also, anyone aged 18 or over can book a vaccination via this booking service. Everyone aged 50 and over, and health and social care workers, can also book their booster vaccine online as long as it has been six months and one week (190 days) since their second dose.	
10a/21 DH/GH	Community Liaison/ Notice Board	Broken lock replaced. Notices updated regularly by keyholders.	GH/MB
10b/21 DH/GH	Planning Applications	P21/52350/DIS – Fairview Farm. No comments.	
10c/21 PA/MB	Church Revival	Currently on hold with no progress although immediate repairs are needed to window. JN will explore the costs and report back. The structural engineer has been paid for his report.	JN
10d/21 MB/JN	Event Co- ordination	Nothing in progress.	
10e/21 MB/EG	Website Management	In order to remain compliant annual costs will be incurred. MB outlined what monies would need to be spent. All agreed that a budget of £300 can be allocated.	
10f/21 9A/MB	Neighbourhood Plan	d No updates.	
10g/21 MB/GH /PA	New Highways/ Potholes	Holcombe Lane repairs are still outstanding despite many chasing emails and the site was inspected some time ago. DT will email RB to chase progress. A leak has appeared in the lane next to Laburnum Cottage and the water pressure has dropped. MB has spoken to Thames Water.	DT

10h/21 JN	Responsible Financial Officer	Cashbook reviewed. All satisfied with current position.	
10i/21FootpathsNo updates.DH		No updates.	
10j/21 EG	Upcoming Training Events	New RFO could benefit from some financial training. JN proposed that a sum of £100 could be allocated. MB seconded. It was agreed that JP could therefore book any relevant training within this budget.	
10k/21	Invoices for payment	MB proposed and DH seconded that the three outstanding invoices for Lawfull Associates, Conservation Architects and Clerks pay be approved for payment.	
101/21	Community Governance Review	The question was raised whether Newington should amalgamate with another parish. No decision required at this time.	
11/21	1/21AOB:Cllr Community Grant. Several ideas suggested for application. 20mph speed limit. DH left meeting at this point. It was unanimously agreed by those remaining in favour of applying for a reduced speed limit of 20mph through the village from Hill Farm to Newington House. We will consult with residents as much as possible. Clerk to make formal application once support has been sought and received from the County Councillor (RB).		EG
12/21	Dates of Meetings in 2022	Thursday 17 th February 2022 Thursday 21 st April 2022 Thursday 19 th May 2022 Thursday 21 st July 2022 Thursday 22 nd September 2022 Thursday 24 th November 2022	All

Signed:Chairman

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Appendix 1 – Cllr David Turner's October/November/Interim December 2021 Report SODC Councillor's Monthly Report October 2021

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A quick reminder of a couple of external consultations that are closing soon.

- First, the latest public consultation on the Oxfordshire Plan 2050 closes on Friday 8 October, to find out more and to have your say visit the Oxfordshire Open Thought website. https://www.oxfordshireopenthought.org/
- And the government's 12-week public consultation on the future of the Ox-Cam Arc closes on Tuesday 12 October – you can read more and comment here. https://placebuilder.io/futureofthearc

Consultation opens on how we engage with communities about planning. Your views are needed on how we engage with you about the councils' planning processes. South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils are preparing a Joint Statement of Community Involvement (SCI). The joint SCI sets out who, how and when the councils will engage with local communities as part of the planning process. It covers both consultations on planning applications and also on the development of local plans which guide where development will be supported in the future. Cllr Emily Smith, Leader of the Vale of White Horse District Council, said: "We want to make it as easy as possible for people to get involved with the planning process. This document sets out how we plan to work positively and proactively with our communities, and I'd encourage everyone to get involved to ensure their voices are heard." Cllr Anne-Marie Simpson, South Oxfordshire District Council Cabinet Member for Planning, said: "We're committed to ensuring you know what we're doing - we strive to be clear and transparent in our processes - and the SCI reflects this too. "Your views and local knowledge are vital in planning, and we want to make sure we give you access to the right information as easily and early as possible using methods that work for you." We will take on board your comments on the draft SCI before bringing a final version before our councils to be adopted. Once adopted the joint SCI will replace the existing South Oxfordshire SCI and the Vale of White Horse SCI. You can give your comments on the draft Statement of Community Involvement until midnight on Wednesday 20 October 2021. You can find the draft document on our South or Vale websites. The quickest and easiest way to comment is to use our online comment form. If you are unable to comment online, you can also:

Email: planning.policy@southandvale.gov.uk

Write to Planning Policy, South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils and post to 'Freepost SOUTH AND VALE CONSULTATIONS' (no other address information or stamp is needed).

David Turner SODC Councillor (Chalgrove Ward) October report issued 5th October 2021

SODC Councillor's Monthly Report November 2021

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Garden waste. The Garden paid for waste scheme is now fully operational again and the Council thanks you for your patience in our difficulties caused by a shortage of heavy vehicle drivers. To compensate all contracts with residents have been extended by three months.

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Homes England Chalgrove Airfield Project Update Statement (November 2021). Homes England is working with stakeholders on the vision for Chalgrove Airfield to address any concerns that have been raised. We are positively engaged with the Civil Aviation Authority, Environment Agency and Oxfordshire County Council, and we are working towards agreeing a revised strategy for the scheme in 2022. As part of the revised strategy, we will bring forward a comprehensive and detailed package of works – including the delivery of new roads and junction improvements at Stadhampton / Chiselhampton and Cuxham - that will meet the requirements of the South Oxfordshire Local Plan and create early benefits for the local community and key stakeholders. Homes England remains committed to the development at Chalgrove Airfield, which will address the immediate housing needs and bring significant investment to the wider area. We will provide further updates in early 2022, including the proposed phasing of the development.

Local Covid-19 rates.

By the end of October Covid cases had risen 44 per cent in a fortnight in Oxfordshire. In the South and the Vale it is the same picture as rates have risen from around 255 to 505.6 per 100,000 residents in South and from 277 to 521.4 in Vale in the previous two weeks. The County Council has issued a press release to ask people to be cautious and continue to get tested and to voluntarily wear a mask in situations where social distancing is not possible. We are amplifying our health partners' messages on encouraging people to take up the offers of both the flu vaccine jab and the covid booster. NHS advice on the flu vaccine is on their website.

First anniversary of South and Vale's Tracing service. The Oxfordshire local contact tracing service (OxLoCT) launched a year ago this month. The service – made up of staff from District, City and the County Councils - aims to trace contacts of people who have tested positive for COVID-19 initially via phone and texts, and then, if necessary, by visiting their known addresses. These are people who the national Test and Trace service have been unable to reach after their positive test. During the past year the Oxfordshire service has successfully contacted, advised to isolate and offered support to nearly

7,000 Oxfordshire residents who have tested positive for COVID-19. The work of this contact tracing service has broken countless chains of transmission and has helped slow the spread of the outbreak across the county. To date, officers from South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils' Environmental Protection Team have completed a total of 745 visits across our two areas.

Household waste recycling centres set for refresh in November. People planning to use Oxfordshire's household waste recycling centres (HWRCs) next month are being warned about a series of short closures to enable essential work to be carried out. For safety reasons, Oxfordshire County Council will be shutting each of its centres for two days – although never at the same time – to allow for deep cleaning and essential maintenance to take place. The closing dates of centres in/near South and Vale are:

Drayton, near Abingdon: Tuesday 9 and Wednesday 10 November Oakley Wood, near Wallingford: Tuesday 16 and Wednesday 17 November Redbridge, Oxford: Thursday 18 and Friday 19 November Stanford, near Farringdon: Thursday 11 and Friday 12 November. More information can be found on the Oxfordshire County Council website, including details of the nearest alternative site during the closures.

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Afghan refugee update. Many of you will be aware that the subject of resettling Afghan families has been in the news this week with reports that some families could be in hotels for up to a year. We were contacted by the BBC to find out the latest in our districts and issued the following response:

With the support of partner agencies and private landlords, South Oxfordshire District Council and Vale of White Horse District Council have agreed to each resettle four Afghan families in their respective districts. The families that have been resettled so far, are receiving specialist support to help them successfully adjust to their new environment.

David Turner SODC Councillor (Chalgrove Ward) November report issued 3rd November 2021

Interim SODC Councillor's Monthly Report for December 2021 for Newington Parish Council

Call for people to buy local as free parking days returns in the run up to Christmas

Shoppers in South Oxfordshire and the Vale of White Horse are being given a helping hand to buy local this Christmas. Those who are unable to get to local businesses by walking, cycling or public transport can take advantage of free parking in district council car parks. The annual free parking tradition is provided by South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils to encourage people to shop locally for their Christmas presents, and is even more important this year following the economic impact of the Coronavirus pandemic. The free parking days allocated to each area are agreed with the individual town councils depending on which day would best suit local traders. Free Christmas parking days also means people don't have to pay to park if they wish to catch up with friends and family in the great pubs, cafés and restaurants found across southern Oxfordshire's towns during the festive period.

Drivers will be able to park for free in South and Vale car parks on the following days:

- Abingdon Saturdays 4, 11 and 18 December
- Didcot Mondays 6, 13 and 20 December
- Faringdon Saturdays 27 November, and 4 and 11 December
- Goring Saturdays 4, 11 and 18 December
- Henley Fridays 10, 17 and 24 December
- Thame Saturdays 4, 11 and 18 December
- Wallingford Thursdays 9, 16 and 23 December
- Wantage Saturdays 4, 11 and 18 December

On the above days there's no need to display a ticket, however maximum stay times will still apply in specific car parks*.

Cllr Sue Cooper, Cabinet Member for Environment, Climate Change and Nature Recovery at South Oxfordshire District Council, said: "We have a great selection of independent shops offering very different and original gifts which would make the perfect Christmas present, and by buying local you will also be supporting your own community. We already offer an hour's free parking in most of our car parks, but free Christmas parking days will give people more time to explore locally without having to pay any extra. I would always urge people to walk, cycle or use public transport where possible, but I know that may not always be possible for those picking up larger presents or those who live further away in rural areas." For full details on parking in southern Oxfordshire visit southoxon.gov.uk/parking or whitehorsedc.gov.uk/parking.

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Move Together. We are looking for more volunteers to help with a project to help residents who were shielding during the pandemic, or whose health and wellbeing has been impacted by Covid-19. We are working with Active Oxfordshire to support people to move more, to help improve physical health, mental health and wellbeing, with activities tailored to suit individual needs. Moving more can help with mood, energy levels, sleep and weight management, as well as with helping to manage long term health conditions. If you know someone who might be interested in becoming a Move Together volunteer, or someone who already runs activities in the district that help to improve physical and or mental wellbeing, and has the capacity to take on more clients, please ask them to contact the Active Communities team. Training and guidance will be given. If someone is able to help, please ask them to contact Adam Godwin on 07717836750 or adam.godwin@southandvale.gov.uk. You can find out more about Move Together on the Get Oxfordshire Active website

Vouchers will help residents with winter essentials. We will be supporting residents struggling to afford household essentials this winter through a new voucher scheme. The new, targeted programme uses money from the government's Household Support Fund. It will help pay for vulnerable households' food, energy, and water bills and other essential household costs. The funds are not restricted to people who receive benefits, and a range of factors are taken into consideration when assessing applications. The scheme will open in the next couple of weeks and will end in March 2022. Details on how to apply will be on the SODC website. The County Council is also providing support for children and young people eligible for free school meals from the same government fund.

David Turner SODC Councillor (Chalgrove Ward) December report issued 18th November 2021

Appendix 2 – Cllr Robin Bennett's November 2021 Report

New 20mph policy passed by Cabinet

The county council is changing its approach and acceptance of 20mph restrictions which will enable a much greater coverage across Oxfordshire.

The proposal is aimed to:

- make streets safer
- encourage residents to walk or cycle
- reduce noise and pollution.

The initiative will not be compulsory and will need to be supported by the parish/town council and by the local county councillor. We anticipate a lot of demand, so requests from parishes will be prioritised by need; the aim is to get all requests done within 3 years.

Measures supported will be from a simple change of speed signs to more complex solutions (these may require additional funding) in areas that can range from a whole village or a single street. The introduction of 20mph restrictions in other areas has already cut speeds and accidents. The area of the proposed restriction should not have a speed limit that is greater than 40mph. It can be a whole village or town or just one street within the area.

Full information can be found at

https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/roads-and-transport/traffic/requesting-20mph

The link for parishes to apply is at <u>https://service.oxfordshire.gov.uk/20mphrequest</u>

Leader's letters to the Prime Minister on financial challenges facing county councils

The leader of the County Council, Cllr Liz Leffman, wrote to the prime minister in advance of the government's autumn budget to highlight the predicted funding shortfalls in social care for adults and children, and provision for children with special educational needs. The letters can be read in full here: <u>https://news.oxfordshire.gov.uk/urgently-address-funding-issues</u>

Out-of-hours highways service up and running

Oxfordshire residents can now report a highways matter to Oxfordshire County Council outside normal office hours – including evenings, weekends and bank holidays – if there are concerns about it causing an accident or damaging property, by calling **01223 849731.** The call adviser will discuss the urgency of the issue and take appropriate action as required. During normal working hours, people should continue to call the council's customer service centre on 0345 310 1111. If the situation is potentially life threatening, people should call

emergency services on 999.

COP26: our commitment in Oxfordshire

COP26 is a chance for the world to come together to tackle the biggest single threat facing the planet. The fight against climate change is at the heart of everything we are doing as a council. Every decision we take weighs up the impact on carbon emissions and our work is underpinned by our commitment to become a zero carbon county council by 2030 and enable the whole of Oxfordshire to be carbon neutral by 2050 – if not sooner. Find out more about what's going on across the county:

https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/environment-and-planning/energy-and-climatechange/cop26-our-commitment

Reminder: Closure of recycling centres for essential maintenance and deep cleaning

During November, our household waste recycling centres will be closing for two days each for a deep clean and essential maintenance. The closures are midweek to minimise disruption and sites will reopen at 8am the following day.

Site	Dates of closure
Alkerton (Banbury)	2 and 3 November
Ardley (Bicester)	4 and 5 November
Dix Pit (Stanton Harcourt)	23 and 24 November
Drayton (Abingdon)	9 and 10 November
Oakley Wood (Wallingford)	16 and 17 November
Redbridge (Oxford)	18 and 19 November
Stanford (Faringdon)	11 and 12 November

Reminder: Civil parking enforcement starts 1st November

Following extensive preparation and commitment at County and District level, civil parking enforcement will officially commence on 1st November 2021 in South Oxfordshire, Vale of the White Horse and Cherwell districts. This means parking offences in those areas previously enforced by the police become the responsibility of Oxfordshire County Council - these parking violations will become civil offences. In Oxfordshire, enforcement will apply for onstreet parking (roads and highways). The changes will result in increased, more consistent enforcement of waiting and loading restrictions, double parking offences and dropped kerb obstructions.

COVID-19 update:

All the latest public health advice on Covid-19 can be found at <u>https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/council/coronavirus-covid-19</u>

Vaccinations for young people

The <u>NHS National Booking Service</u> for COVID-19 vaccinations is now open to parents wanting to book a jab for their child aged 12 - 15. This will provide an additional option for parents, alongside the schools programme. Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust has published a <u>webpage</u> with information for parents and young people about the COVID-19 vaccination.

Anyone aged 16 or over can also 'grab a jab' at the Kassam Stadium in Oxford, without an appointment or at any other #Grabajab clinic. Details of those currently open and more information can be found on the <u>NHS Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group's</u> website.

Anyone aged 18 or over, can <u>book a vaccination</u> on the national booking service. The latest vaccination figures are updated daily at the <u>NHS England website</u>.

Get your booster jab

Everyone aged 50 and over, and health and social care workers, can <u>book their COVID-19</u> <u>booster vaccine</u> online as long as it has been six months and one week (190 days) since their second dose. Data shows the natural immunity provided by vaccines will wane over time, particularly for older adults and those more at risk from COVID-19.