**Present:** Liz Collas (LC), Peter Dragonetti (PD), Martin Wise (MW) Hilary Dewey (HD) Michael Holland (MH) Peter Burdon (PB)

**In attendance:** Amanda Holland ( Clerk )

1. **Apologies for Absence**: Apologies from TM, NE and LT. There were no declarations of Interest.
2. **Public Forum**. There were no members of the public in attendance.
3. **Minutes of the last meeting Tuesday November 9th 2021.** Were signed as correct.
4. **District and County Councillors Reports**. Cllr Bulmer and Cllr Dragonetti submitted reports which were noted.
5. **Correspondence for Information** : It was noted that the motion put forward by Cllr Bulmer which has recently been passed by SODC will assist us in helping parishioners whose properties are affected by HGV traffic on unsuitable roads, e.g. Path Hill. Working with the Road Haulage Association, Technology and Haulage Companies and neighbouring authorities, a network of well-serviced HGV through routes will be established in our area. Measures to assist this will include the encouragement of appropriate GPS strategies and systems. PB will research Emergency Planning.
6. **Key areas requiring discussion:**

**Status on traffic management initiatives.**  MH to progress to present to the January meeting.

**Speed Watch Group.** Discussion deferred to Jan, NE to progress in meantime

**Playground Equipment and funding.** NE is producing a report to be submitted to the January meeting

**Defibrillator.** NE. The January deadline for possible funding was noted. It was agreed to progress 2 more in the Parish dependent on funding. NE and HD to progress.

**Platinum Jubilee Celebration Plans*.*** Discussion deferred to Jan. AH will research options

1. **Governance Matters.**

**Finance and Bank Reconciliation:** A bank reconciliation and note of expenditure was circulated and approved.

**Sign and Fly Posting Policy**: It was resolved that LC would raise for discussion again at the January meeting.

**GDPR and IT solutions:** TM will be asked to prepare some written information re the proposed contract for the January meeting. LC to liaise with TM

**The Budget and Precept 2022/2023:** It was agreed in principle to reduce the precept for the forthcoming year, and that a finalised proposal could be discussed and agreed at the next meeting.

1. **Maintenance.**

**Grass and Maintenance Contract:** The new specification was approved. MW to ask contractors to quote for contract in 2022. AH to liaise with Mrs Elsome regarding the Church Hedge.

**Crays Pond:** MW had nothing to report.

**Footpaths and Rights of Way:** LC had nothing to report.

**Playground :** It was agreed to delay a decision on maintenance until a decision has been made on new equipment. A basket swing will cost £2950 plus VAT, plus surfacing for £882 plus VAT. It was resolved that any quotes for repairs should include the renewal of the running boards, new surfacing for the roundabout and a possible relocation of the basketball hoop. Other essential maintenance such as repairing the bench table and rust damage could be done by a working party in the new year.

1. **Motion to Support the Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill.**

Proposed, Seconded and approved. LC to contact John Howell MP.

1. **Newsletter/ Website /Social Media**. There has been some problems with updating which are being resolved.
2. **The Parish Hall.** PD had nothing to report.
3. **Planning and Unauthorised Developments.**

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| [**P21/S4154/FUL**](https://data.southoxon.gov.uk/ccm/support/Main.jsp?MODULE=ApplicationDetails&REF=P21/S4154/FUL) | Cherry Cottage Hill Bottom Whitchurch Hill RG8 7PU  Extension of residential garden and installation of pool (11m by 6m) in garden . | No decision made | HD to liaise with the Planning Officer to discuss the lack of information contained within the proposal. |
| [**P21/S4966/HH**](https://data.southoxon.gov.uk/ccm/support/Main.jsp?MODULE=ApplicationDetails&REF=P21/S4966/HH) | Hill Bottom Close Whitchurch Hill RG8 7PX Side extension | No Strong Views | HD |
| [**P21/S4738/FUL**](https://data.southoxon.gov.uk/ccm/support/Main.jsp?MODULE=ApplicationDetails&REF=P21/S4738/FUL) | Holmes Oak Stables Collins End Goring Heath RG8 7RJ  The proposed development is the demolition of a row of derelict horse stables and the construction of a new timber clad building housing two commercial units, a commercial kitchen/butchery unit, plus a toilet and a deer larder. | No Strong Views | MW |

1. **Councillors Reports and items for the next agenda.** Review of Standing Orders and Financial Regulations.

The meeting ended at 21.30 hrs

**Date of the next meeting** : **Tuesday January 11th 2022 at 8pm in the Parish Hall.**