

Adderbury Parish Council
Report for July 2019

During July 2019, the Parish Council had met on 30 July 2019 and the Staffing and Environment Committees had also met on 18 July 2018 and 24 July 2019 respectively. In addition, individual Councillors and the Clerk had carried out a number of tasks, which included the below.

Environment/Highways/footpaths – Issues relating to highways, footpaths and street lighting can be reported by residents to <https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/>

The Environment Committee continued to work on assessing appropriate traffic calming measures for the village. Volunteers were still needed to progress the Community Speed Watch Scheme and if anyone wished to help, they should contact the Clerk to the Parish Council.

Mike Wasley from the County Council had attended the meeting on 24 July 2019 and had discussed the possible temporary closure of the turning from Milton Road and Horn Hill Road (at the oak tree corner), from the direction of Bloxham. Mike advised that an informal consultation process with the village would need to be undertaken prior to the road being closed and the Committee would start this process as soon as possible. The school bus companies would also need to be consulted.

There was also a discussion on the draft reports which had been circulated outlining proposed traffic calming measures for various roads in the village. Once these reports had been finalised, Mike Wasley would attend a site meeting with the Committee to discuss the practicalities and implementation.

With regard to drainage, work along the A4260, Banbury Road north of the B4100, Aynho Road junction as far as Summers Close, should be completed by the County Council by mid-August 2019.

With regard to the new traffic light sequencing at the junction of Aynho Road and the A4260, works were now scheduled to take place, with a start date of 12 August 2019 and an anticipated completion date of 2 September 2019.

Advice had been obtained from Thames Water about the project to plant trees in The Rise and it had been confirmed that a sewer pipe ran from east to west, straight through The Rise. Therefore more work was required to establish the types of trees, if any, which were suitable to be planted there.

Nature Reserve at the Railway Embankment in the Lucy Plackett Playing Field – This would be progressed during August 2019 and reported to the Parish Council at its meeting on 10 September 2019.

Millennium Cup 2019 – The best plot at Walled Garden Allotments would be judged during August 2019 and the winner would be presented with the Cup at the Gardening Club Annual Show.

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Residents are reminded that dogs are not allowed in the play areas at The Rise and the Lucy Plackett Playing Field and should be kept on a lead in the Playing Field.



Residents are also asked to enjoy the facilities at the Lucy Plackett Playing Field, but if the litter bins were full, please could rubbish be thrown away at home and not left on the ground around the litter bins.

Bus Shelters on Banbury Road – A project was being progressed with the County Council for one new and one replacement shelter which would be installed on Banbury Road; one in the lay-by near Summers Close (opposite Griffin Close) on the west side of Banbury Road and the other on the west side of Banbury Road near Gracewell, to replace current old shelter.

Adderbury Community Day – This was being held on Saturday 21 September 2019 and volunteers are required to marshal the road closure. Please contact the Clerk if you are available for an hour between 11am and 6pm.

Planning – The Parish Council would be objecting to application 19/01047/OUT from Hallam Land Management Ltd on land north east Of Oxford Road west of Oxford Canal and east of Bankside, Banbury for outline planning application for a residential development of up to 850 dwellings; green infrastructure including formal (playing fields with changing rooms, allotments) and informal open space, landscaping; and associated infrastructure including a balancing pond; on land off the A4260, with access off the existing Longford Park access off the A4260 (Oxford Road), and a new access off the A4260 (Banbury Road). All matters of detail reserved, save for access.

Adderbury Lakes – The regular work parties on the first Saturday of the month had now stopped due to the nesting season. The Parish Council thanked all those who volunteered at the Lakes Local Nature Reserve. There had also been an incident of fish dying in the Lakes and the Environment Agency had been involved, however it was not yet clear what had caused the incident. This had

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resulted in the Lakes being closed for a short while. Also, a tree had fallen and this had now been removed.

Working for Adderbury Community (WFAC) – Fundraising was continuing, grant funding was being investigated and pre-application advice for phase 2 of the project had been obtained from Cherwell District Council.

Thank You – The Parish Council wished to pass on its thanks to the following members of the community:

- Margaret Halstead for the lovely arrangement of wild flowers from The Rise, which she displayed in St Mary's Church for Andrew Barnes' funeral and Memorial Service.
- The gentleman who regularly picked up litter in the village and he wished to remain anonymous.
- Councillor Martin Rye and the volunteers who painted the gateways on Milton Road and Berry Hill Road. All of the gateways at the entrances to the village had now been painted.
- Peter Waite, following his resignation as a Member of the Adderbury Lakes Management Committee, for all of his hard work over a number of years.
- Rick Atkinson and Nigel Claxton for clearing up the dead fish at Adderbury Lakes and also to Mr Atkinson who had been visiting the Lakes nearly every day for about fortnight, to monitor the situation.

Reminder:

To dog owners, please ensure that all dog faeces are cleared up and either taken home (and placed in household waste Green Bins) or placed in the dog waste bins provided. Take extra care on grassed areas where children play. **Dogs must also be kept on a lead in the Lucy Plackett Playing Field and at the Adderbury Lakes Nature Reserve.**

Faulty Street Lights - Please report on freephone 0800 317802 giving exact destination and pole number if possible. Or report to <https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/>

Power Cuts - The new, free, three digit, 105 telephone number to call in the event of a power cut has now gone live.

Meeting Dates – The next Parish Council meeting is being held on 10 September 2019. Meetings are held at Church House, High Street, Adderbury. Parish Council meetings are usually held on the last Tuesday of the month at the Church House at 7.30pm. If you wish to attend, please check these details with the Clerk, prior to the meeting, in case there have been any changes. Information is also available on the PC web site.

Minutes & Reports - The minutes and reports relating to the Parish Council meetings and the meetings of the Committees, are available at www.adderburypc.co.uk

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