Adderbury Parish Council Report for May 2019

During May 2019, there had been a meeting of Adderbury Parish Council on 28 May 2019 and a meeting of the Environment Committee on 10 May 2019. The next meeting of the Environment Committee was scheduled for Wednesday 5 June 2019 at 7.30pm at the Church House.

There were two vacancies on the Parish Council and if anyone was interested in the role of a Councillor, they should contact the Clerk on 01297 710965 or email adderburypc@hotmail.com for more details.

During the month, the Parish Council, individual Councillors and the Clerk carried out a number of tasks and work on projects in the village, which included the below.

Environment/Highways/footpaths – Barwood Homes had been asked to remind their subcontractors not to park in The Rise and also on the grass verges opposite the site.

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 and if anyone wished to volunteer to help move the project forward, they should contact the Clerk to the Parish Council.

The Parish Council thanked Councillors Martin Rye, Garrad Millier and Steven Cox for painting the village gateways to make them more visible to drivers.

Surrounding Parish Councils were also being asked their thoughts on sharing the cost of a Community Speed Watch camera and this would be fed back into the Environment Committee.

Trees which were overhanging boundary lines were investigated on behalf of residents.

Drainage issues on Banbury Road and Oxford Road continued to be followed up with the County Council.

Robert Golby and his Mother were thanked for replacing the dead Cherry Tree behind the bus shelter on Cross Hill Road.

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.

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Adderbury Community Day – This is 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.

Adderbury Party in the Park – This is being held on Saturday 15 June 2019 in the Lucy Plackett Playing Field. Tickets could be purchased from https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/adderbury-party-in-the-park-tickets-59955303928

Planning – Application 19/00619/F on land east of The Leys, Adderbury had been withdrawn because the applicant and their agent had not been aware that the Parish Council owned the access track. With regard to the application for change of use at the Milton Road field, condition 5 was still being discharged and also pre-application advice would be sought from Cherwell District Council prior to the submission of a full planning application for the pavilion. The PC has also raised an enforcement case relating to the footpath from the Nicholas King site to Horn Hill Road as it was currently very slippery and uneven, with loose gravel spilling onto the normal footpath.

Estate Agents Signs – A number of Estate Agents had been asked to relocate their signs from grass verges to within the boundary of the property which is for sale.

Village Shop – Lawrence Millier was thanked for carrying out the survey with regard to the village shop. The findings would be fed into the project being managed by Nick Fennell.

Death of a National Figure – The Protocol had been agreed with the Royal British Legion and St Mary's Church.

Adderbury Lakes – The regular work parties on the first Saturday of the month had now stopped during the nesting season. The Parish Council thanks all those who volunteered at the Lakes Local Nature Reserve.

Working for Adderbury Community (WFAC) – Fundraising was continuing and a concert was being held in St Mary's Church on Saturday 1 June 2019. Everyone was asked to support the event.

Vicar – The Parish Council welcomed the new Vicar to the village, Liz Simpson.

Parish Poll – Following the Parish Poll on 13 May 2019, the Parish Council was pleased that the village agrees with the Parish Council's decision to support new Sports and Community facilities on the Milton Road and to use the Section 106 funds already allocated, for this project. It was also welcome news that the village does not want Adderbury Parish Council to ask Oxfordshire County Council to carry out a formal consultation with all residents on the introduction of traffic calming measures to reduce speed of traffic on village roads. Moreover, it was very good news that the village does not want Section 106 funds allocated to the Milton Road project (or any other project) to be reallocated to traffic calming.

Following the Parish Poll, it was felt that contact should be made with Victoria Prentis MP highlighting the potential mis-use of Parish Polls and whether legislation could be changed to

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address this. The exercise had cost the Parish Council, therefore the Council Tax payers of the village, in the region of £1000.

FOCAL – A Secretary for FOCAL was still being sought.

Parish Council Grant 2019/2020 – The following grants were awarded for 2019/2020:

| Adderbury Party In The Park | £200.00 |
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| Adderbury PCC | £200.00 |
| Adderbury Gardening Club | £200.00 |
| 1st Adderbury Guides | £60.00 |
| Adderbury, Deddington and District Photographic Society | £200.00 |
| Evergreens | £200.00 |
| Christopher Rawlins PTFA | £500.00 |
| Adderbury & District WI | £200.00 |
| Working For Adderbury Community | £200.00 |
| Adderbury Parish Institute | £250.00 |
| 1st Adderbury Scout Group | £250.00 |
| Deddington Day Centre | £500.00 |
| Adderbury History Association | £200.00 |
| Adderbury Park Football Club | £200.00 |
| Cherry Tree Centre | £500.00 |

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. <u>Dogs must also be kept on a lead in the Lucy Plackett Playing Field and at the Adderbury Lakes Nature Reserve.</u>

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 25 June 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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