ADDERBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Date of Parish Council Meeting	Tuesday 28 May 2019
Agenda Item Number	Item 12 (i)
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Title of Report	Result of Parish Poll
Summary	To discuss the results of the Parish Poll held on 13 May 2019 and discuss whether a letter should be sent to Victoria Prentis MP and the Communities Office of Government regarding the potential misuse of Parish Polls.
Recommendation	 The results be noted; It be noted 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 be noted 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. It be noted 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; and Contact be made with Victoria Prentis MP highlighting the potential misuse of Parish Polls and whether legislation could be changed to address this.
Reasons for the Recommendation	It is important that Parish Polls are used for positive purposes in the village, not as a divisive tool. The recent Poll could have diverted attention away from the very positive and realistic traffic calming work which is being carried out in the village at this very time. The Parish Council has some real concerns about traffic safety in the village and within the budgets which are available, is working very hard to address the issues. This was clearly presented to the village at the Annual Parish Meeting on 16 April 2019.
Impact on Budget	This is the second Parish Poll to be called in two years, at a cost to the village of approximately £1000 per Poll.
Risks	None
Background	A Parish Poll was held on 13 May 2019 and the questions and results are as follows:
	The results of today's Parish Poll have been announced:
	1. In light of concerns by residents about speeding traffic in the village, this poll is requesting Adderbury Parish Council to ask Oxfordshire County Council to carry out a formal consultation with all residents on the introduction of traffic

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	calming measures to reduce speed of traffic on village roads.
	YES: 152 NO: 299.
	2. It has been identified that Adderbury Parish Council, Cherwell District Council and Oxfordshire County Council have at their disposal up to £30,000 to spend on traffic related projects in the village. If effective traffic calming requires more funds to be committed do you want that money to be sourced from some of the existing funds (known as Section 106) available to village projects?
	YES: 150 NO: 303.
	3. Do you agree 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?
	YES: 318 NO: 136.
	Turnout was 19.4% with 467 electors out of 2405 voting today. There were 7 spoilt papers.
Supporting documents; advice, reports etc should always be attached to the report and listed here	N/A