### ADDERBURY PARISH COUNCIL – ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE METHODIST CHURCH, CHAPEL LANE, ADDERBURY ON TUESDAY 19 MARCH 2019 AT 10.00AM

**PRESENT:** Chairman, Councillor Martin Rye; Councillors Steven Cox, Ann Lyons and Keith Mitchell.

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** Theresa Goss (Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer), Jonathan White (non-voting member of the Committee), District Councillor Andrew McHugh and six members of the public.

**APOLOGIES:** Councillor Garrad Millier submitted his apologies because he was at work, the apologies were accepted and the absence authorised.

- 27/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were no declarations of interest.
- **28/18 MINUTES** Prior to the meeting, the minutes of the meeting held on 22 January 2019 had been circulated to the Committee.

**<u>Resolved</u>** that the minutes of the meeting held on 22 January 2019 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

29/18 MATTERS ARISING – There were no matters arising.

### 30/18 OPEN FORUM

A resident addressed the Committee and asked whether it would consider meeting in the evening to enable more residents to attend.

A resident addressed the Committee with regard to the need for traffic calming measures in the village and the issues around the Milton Road area of the village.

A resident addressed the Committee with regard to the high number of objections there were regarding the proposed bus shelter on the corner of High Street and Chapel Lane. The resident also made comments on traffic calming for the village

Jim O'Neill, Chairman of West Adderbury Residents' Association, also addressed the Parish Council with regard to traffic calming and asked if there was any indication of when work would take place.

The Chairman thanked the residents for addressing the Parish Council.

(For information, following guidance from the National Association of Local Councils, the Parish Council did not specifically name individual residents and issues within its minutes)

**31/18 TRAFFIC CALMING** – Prior to the meeting, Jonathan White had circulated to the Committee, a list of the initial traffic calming priorities and budget allocation proposals.

Jonathan talked in more detail about each item and answered questions from the Committee and members of the public. It was highlighted that the Parish Council had allocated £5200 in its budget to traffic calming for 2019/2020 and there was circa £25,000 available from Section 106 funds, currently held at the County Council.

It was noted that the traffic lights at the junction of Aynho Road and the A4260 had been upgraded by the County Council in this financial year, however funds were not available to switch them on. Therefore, they would be in use during the next financial year. It was hoped this would help with the issue of Twyford being used as a 'rat run'.

Following a discussion, a number of actions were agreed.

Recommended that the actions, as detailed below, be approved:

	Action	Whom
1.	Items 1 (foliage clearance) & 2 (enhancing the gateways) on the 'Potential and Existing Traffic Calming Measures' list be	TG/MR

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	actioned.	
2.	Further information and evidence be gathered to enable items 3 to 10 on the 'Potential and Existing Traffic Calming Measures' list to be actioned with Oxfordshire County Council.	MR/JW/TG
3.	Christopher Rawlins Primary School be asked whether the children would like to assist with the project by creating banners/poster, possibly making a mock speed camera box or making their own suggestions for increasing awareness of the dangers of speeding vehicles and encouraging drivers to slow down.	TG
4.	Oxfordshire County Council be requested to produce a feasibility study for the temporary closure of junction by the Oak tree (corner of Milton Road and Horn Hill Road) to be closed from the direction of Bloxham.	MR/JW/TG
5.	The initial traffic calming priorities and budget allocation proposals paper circulated by Jonathan White for the Environment Committee be updated and circulated to the Parish Council, in readiness for the meeting on 26 March 2019.	JW/TG
6.	Volunteers from the community be invited to assist the Committee with developing proposals for the traffic calming measures and assisting with the Community Speed Watch Scheme. Any volunteers should contact the Clerk.	MR/JW/TG
7.	A request again be included in Contact and on the various village web sites asking residents to drive safely and carefully in and around Adderbury.	TG
8.	Traffic Calming be included as an agenda item at the Annual Parish Meeting on 16 April 2019 and a presentation be prepared.	TG/JW
9.	Oxfordshire County Council be contacted again about the TRO and the time scales for the line painting on Aynho Road.	TG
10.	<ul> <li>Thames Valley Police be contacted with regard to:</li> <li>funding of a VAS in the village;</li> <li>speed monitoring patrols in other areas of the village, rather than just on Aynho Road; and</li> <li>when the Community Speed Watch Scheme equipment will be available again and whether it would be possible for a number of Parish Councils to purchase the equipment so that the equipment can be shared.</li> </ul>	Andrew McHugh
	Oxfordshire County Council be contacted with regard to the availability of Community Safety Partnership Funding for traffic calming measures in the village.	Andrew McHugh/Arash Fatemian

**32/18 BUS SHELTER ON HIGH STREET (END OF CHAPEL LANE)** – The Clerk reported that residents had been asked for their thoughts on the proposal for a new bus shelter and there were an overwhelming number of objections. Therefore, following a discussion it was agreed that the bus shelter would not be progressed.

**<u>Recommended</u>** that the bus shelter not be progressed and residents be advised of the Committee's decision. **Action TG** 

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**33/18 TREES ON THE RISE** – The Committee discussed a suggestion made by a resident, that new trees should be planted in The Rise. The trees were being donated by the Woodland Trust.

### Recommended that:

- the project be progressed, however the resident be required to provide further details to the Committee on the plans, including the types of trees and where on The Rise they will be planted and whether residents are willing to assist with the continuing future maintenance;
- 2) once the details of the plans are received, they be reviewed by the Environment Committee before the project commences; and
- 3) prior to the commencement of the project, Cherwell District Council (as the land owner) be contacted for permission for the planting to go ahead.

### Action TG

**34/18** ADDITIONAL SIGNAGE AT THE LUCY PLACKETT PLAYING FIELD – The Committee discussed whether additional signage was required in the Lucy Plackett Playing Field, advising that dogs should be kept on leads and that dog mess should be picked up by dog owners.

Following a discussion, it was felt that Councillors should review the current signage in the Lucy Plackett Playing Field and report back to a future meeting.

<u>Recommended</u> that this item be deferred for further discussion at the future meeting of the Committee. Action TG

**35/18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – Friday 10 May 2019 at 10am.

(Meeting closed 11.30am)

Chairman