

CUMNOR PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting of the Environment and Amenities Committee
held on Tuesday 16 January 2024 at 7.30pm
in Fogwell Road Pavilion, Fogwell Road, Dean Court, Oxford

Present.

Councillors. Laurence Waters, Council Vice-Chair, Acting Chair, Tom Christophers, Council Chair, Alison Jenner, Paula Lopez, Gary Mason, Judy Roberts, Oliver Wright, and Tina Brock, Clerk.

County Councillor. CC Judy Roberts.

District Councillor. DC Judy Roberts.

Visitors. None.

01/24 Apologies for Absence.

Chris Westcott (prior commitment). This apology was approved.

02/24 Variance of Order of Business. None.

03/24 Declarations of Interest. None.

04/24 Minutes of the Meeting of the Environment and Amenities Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 24 October 2023.

Approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

05/24 Matters Arising from the Minutes.

- i. Minute 15/22 Farmoor stores map case. New map needed.
- ii. Minuted 55/23 Changing Rooms are still out of use due to the water leak causing the ceiling to come down at The Old Forge. Clerk has contacted on numerous occasions the reason given for the repair not being carried out due to insurance issues. The Clerk suggested submitting a grant application to Council, but no application has been sent.

06/24 Public Participation. None.

FINANCE

07/24 Current costs 2023/2024.

Council noted the following Committee costs to date.

- i. Burial.
- ii. Highways.
- iii. Recreation and Playing Fields.

RECREATION AND PLAYING FIELDS

08/24 Service and visual inspections of play parks carried out by MRH Services. Noted.

09/24 Nomination of Playground Monitors.

- i. Closes Field. Chris Westcott not in attendance.
- ii. Glebe Play Park and Eco loo. Tom Christophers reported the floor of the Eco loo was muddy. Ady Podbery, Grounds Care had removed a thorn bush which had come down in the recent storms this month..
- iii. Fogwell Field. The top corner by the Xerscape would be cordoned off by Total Pest Control in the next few weeks..
- iv. Mayfield Road Field. No issues to report.
- v. Meadow Close Play Park. No issues to report.
- vi. Pinnocks Way Play Park. The Clerk informed the Committee that branches from a tree in a residents garden had fallen down on to the zip wire in November 2023 which was reported to the landlord Sovereign Vale Housing Association. During the recent storms, this month more branches broke off and fell onto the Zip Wire this was reported to Sovereign Vale. Ady Podbery cleared the branches and Mick Herring would check the zip wire for any damage. The Clerk is in the process of requesting reimbursement from Sovereign Vale for the cost of clearing the branches and any damage to the Zip Wire.

10/24 Requests for additional/replacement play/adult fitness equipment. None.

PAVILIONS

11/24 Closes Pavilion.

The Committee considered and approved a request by Cumnor Minors Football to install a sign on the wooden fence left of the entrance to the car park.. Gary Mason met with Gemma Pitts, Chair of

Cumnor Minors FC to discuss extending the car park and refurbishment of the pavilion. Any alterations would need to be presented to full Council for approval.

12/24 Fogwell Pavilion.

The Clerk informed the Committee that Botley Boys and Girls FC had not paid outstanding invoices to cover the use of the pavilion during October 2023 to December 2023 and January 2024 to March 2024 which is paid in advance due to bank account issues.

HIGHWAYS

13/24 Bus stops/shelters.

The Grange Court bus shelter has a missing panel and the brick bus shelter at Farmoor has a faulty light.

14/24 HGV issues.

OCC Oxfordshire HGV Strategy. CC Judy Roberts informed the Committee that a pilot study was taking place in Henley and the Windrush Valle to follow HGV movements.

15/24 Speed issues.

Speed reduction on the B4044 from Dean Court to Farmoor from 50mph to 40mph.

CC Judy Roberts said that she had been informed that the 20mph roll out was completed and she would request that this section of the B4044 is reduced to 40mph and use her Councillors Priority Funding to pay for the consultation.

16/24 Parking issues. None.

17/24 Street furniture requests.

Paula Lopez reported that the wooden slats of the bench on the overbridge Oxford Road, Cumnor were broken.

Cumnor Hill Puffin Crossing. The design for the proposed new Puffin crossing had been received by Council for comments.

18/24 Footpaths/ROW. None.

19/24 Botley Traffic Advisory Committee next meeting. None.

20/24 Parish Transport Representative Committee next meeting.

To ask how far the roll out of the new electric buses would be extended to.

21/24 Next Meetings.

To be held confirmed.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Signed..... Date.....2024