

**MINUTES of the MEETING of the OVERBURY AND CONDERTON PARISH COUNCIL
held at 7pm on Monday 4th October 2021 at Overbury Village Hall**

PRESENT: Mrs G Milway
Mrs Ruth Darling
Mrs Steff LeMarechal
Miss R Long - Parish Clerk.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Richard Southby had sent his apologies having been unexpectedly detained by a hospital appointment. This was accepted by the Councillors present.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors were reminded of the need to keep up to date their Register of Interests, and to declare any Personal Interest or Prejudicial Interest relating to any items on the Agenda. There were no Declarations of Interest for this Meeting.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The draft Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 22 June, 2021, which had been circulated with the Agenda papers, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

4. PROGRESS REPORTS

(1) Overbury Footpath Surface Repair

Unfortunately, it had not been possible to carry out this work in September as arranged due to the extensive wall rebuilding work being carried out in the area. An alternative date will be requested when the walling work has been completed, which it is hoped will be by the end of November this year.

(2) Possible purchase of Defibrillator for Conderton

This remains under review. The Clerk reported that recent research indicated that the cost of a stand-alone defibrillator in an unlocked fixed cabinet could be up to £1500.

(3) Vacancy for parish councillor to represent Overbury

The Clerk was pleased to report that an Application for Co-option had been received from Mr Stephen Voysey of Old Brew House in Overbury. Mr Voysey's application was unanimously agreed, and he was welcomed as a councillor representing Overbury. The Clerk will send the form of notification to Wychavon District Council Electoral Services office, together with Mr Voysey's completed Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.

5. WYCHAVON DISTRICT COUNCIL

(1) Vibrant Village Zoom Event on 21 October This will be attended by the Chairman

(2) Planning Application for The Red House, Overbury The application for undergrounding the central heating gas tank and various other internal works in the house has been approved.

(3) The WDC Chairman's Diamond Jubilee Recognition Award Scheme is to be discontinued in favour of a new annual Community Recognition Awards.

(4) Community Right To Buy The Clerk had received a request from a parish member on behalf of a group of concerned residents asking the Parish Council to consider registering the Yew Tree public house in Conderton as an Asset of Community Value (ACV); if granted, the registration would remain for five years but can be re-applied for thereafter. Councillors agreed to make the application on behalf of the community and the Clerk was asked to liaise with the group over completion of the relevant documents.

(5) Further items of interest from WDC brought to the attention of the Councillors

The impact of HGV driver shortage on services; A new £1.4 million pitch and pavilions has opened at Evesham United; Evesham is applying for £9 million from the Government's Levelling Up Fund; A new Business Support Hub with offices to rent has opened at the Civic Centre; There is a new scheme to help young homeless.

6. WORCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL Details of the Queen's Green Canopy tree planting initiative "Plant a Tree for the Jubilee", which will be discussed at the January meeting.

7. **SOUTH WORCESTERSHIRE DEVELOPMENT PLAN Review**
The new timetable for the Review has now been published, as follows:
Public Consultation on the final draft – July to August 2022
Submission of the plan to the Planning Inspectorate – November 2022
Examination into the plan and receipt of the Inspector’s report – Feb – August 2023
(subject to the Inspector’s timetable)
Adoption – October 2023 (should no major changes be required)
8. **TEWKESBURY GARDEN TOWN UPDATE** No further information has been received.
9. **SOUTH WORCESTERSHIRE POLICE** The Parish Council has been circulated with regular Rural Beat Newsletters, Neighbourhood Watch Newsletters, Details of regular local Drop In Surgeries. The Parish Council has also become a member of New Neighbourhood Watch Alert e-mail system, which are circulated widely in the Parish.
10. **BUS SHELTER CLEANING** The Parish Council is very grateful to Ruth Hutt for volunteering to take over the task of bus shelter cleaning from her sister, Jess.
11. **FINANCE**
The sum brought forward to this meeting is £9656.47.
The only payment made since this balance was £89.70 for new Adult Pads for the Defibrillator, and the payment of the quarterly salary for the Clerk in the sum of £150.00 plus £37.40 tax will be due shortly.
These payments will leave a balance of £9379.37 to be carried forward to the next meeting.
12. **CLERK’S REPORT ON URGENT DECISIONS SINCE THE LAST MEETING**
No urgent decisions were taken since the last meeting.
13. **COUNCILLORS’ REPORTS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA**
There were no Councillors’ reports or items for a future agenda.
14. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**
It was agreed to hold the next meeting of the Parish Council at 7pm on Monday 10th January 2022 at Overbury Village Hall.

There being no further business the Meeting closed.