

**HORLEY PARISH COUNCIL – MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
19 July 2018**

PRESENT: Chairman John Tite, Cllrs Martin Hamer, Graham Curd, Jennifer Cross, Duncan Raper. Clerk to the Council David Marriott. Also in attendance District Councillor Douglas Webb

Item		Action
1	Apologies for absence Councillors Simon Attfield and Bob Barnwell. County Councillor George Reynolds also sent his apologies.	
2	Declarations of interests None	
3	Minutes of the meetings held on 12 April and 17 May 2018. Proposed by Cllr Curd, seconded by Cllr Raper it was resolved that the minutes be agreed.	Clerk
4	Matters arising A question was raised as to whether any progress had been made relating to the play area pursuant to item 11, 12 April, but in the absence of Cllr Attfield the current position was not known. The Clerk reported on the Cherwell DC parish liaison meeting, and in particular the financial issues faced by CDC which will follow the end of their joint working with South Northants. Work is ongoing to initiate partnership working with Oxfordshire CC, and no impact on services to parish councils is anticipated.	Cllr Attfield
5	Finance - 2018/19 budget monitoring report The income and expenditure statement for the year to 30/06/18 was approved, proposed by Cllr Tite seconded by Cllr Raper.	Clerk
6	Land Adjoining the Old Council Houses, Wroxton Lane It was noted that OCC has now agreed informally to widen the carriageway slightly in this location so vehicles are not parking on the grass verge, and to replace the blocked highway drain. Further details on timing etc. is awaited. It was agreed that it would be desirable to remove the fencing where possible to make access to the land easier for the public, now it is being maintained by the Council, and the possibility of providing a bench on the land was also mentioned.	Clerk
7	Planning report It was noted that the Council has been consulted on an application for listed building consent for secondary glazing at Horley Manor, and no comments were made. It was reported that two residents had contacted the Council regarding a new access to the highway formed on Banbury Lane at Manor Farm Barn. So far as the Council is aware, no planning consent for this new access exists. It was agreed that the matter be referred to Cherwell's enforcement officer for him to investigate.	Clerk Clerk
8	Applications for charitable donations It was noted that a request had been received from Clean Slate for a donation to support their work supporting victims of physical and sexual abuse. Proposed by Cllr Raper, seconded by Cllr Curd it was agreed that a donation of £25 be made to this charity.	Clerk
9	Kerbing at Church Lane It was noted that Oxfordshire County Council have confirmed that instruction have been given to Skanska to progress this scheme, but currently no information has been received on a likely start date.	Clerk

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10	<p>Recent Flooding in the Village It was noted that as a result of a very severe storm in mid May, a number of properties in the village had experienced a degree of flooding. In some cases such as at Hornton Lane and the bottom of Wroxton Lane this appeared to have been the result of the highway drains failing to prevent water flowing off the highway. Also, at the bottom of Wroxton Lane it is understood that rain water entering the foul sewer had resulted in this overflowing. It was noted that since this event a small number of road gullies at Hornton Lane have been cleared out, but that others appear to remain blocked.</p> <p>The Council expressed concerns regarding the condition of highway drains in the village, and agreed to investigate further. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact OCC seeking a copy of their drainage records, and meanwhile Cllrs Hamer and Curd would survey the existing system and seek to establish where drains run and their condition so far as possible from a visual inspection.</p>	Clerk Cllrs Hamer & Curd
11	<p>Reports from external organisations None</p>	
13	<p>Date of next meeting Thursday 11 October 2018</p>	All
14	<p>Any other urgent business It was noted that Cherwell DC have arranged a public consultation on their review of the Horley Conservation Area on 6 September. CDC have indicated that a copy of their review will be sent to the Council on 9 August, and Members will review it as soon as it is available, and decide whether a special meeting is required to formulate any comments.</p> <p>It was noted that the OCC parish liaison meeting has been rescheduled for 4 October 2018 at Banbury Town Hall. Cllrs Tite and Barnwell were originally down to attend, but if necessary the Clerk is now available to do so.</p> <p>It was noted that there is a TV Police community forum for rural parishes at Deddington fire station on 29 August at 6.30pm. Cllr Cross indicated that she would seek to attend if available.</p>	Clerk Clerk Cllr Cross

MEETING CLOSED AT 8.40 pm