

HORLEY PARISH COUNCIL

AGENDA

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Parish Council which will be held in the Old School Room at 7.30 pm on Thursday 17 January 2019.

Clerk to Horley Parish Council

- 1) Apologies for absence
- 2) Declaration of Interests
- 3) Minutes of the meeting held on 11 October 2018
- 4) Matters arising
- 5) Finance - 2018/19 budget monitoring report to 31 December 2018 and draft budget for 2018/19

The report annexed below shows the income and expenditure for the 2018/19 financial year to 31 December, as compared to the annual budget. Members will recall that the Council also agreed to contribute the sum of £6,121 towards the cost of the kerbing works recently completed by the County Council at Church Lane. This expenditure will be financed from the Council's reserves. There are no particular issues to draw to the attention of Members, who are recommended to approve the monitoring report.

The report also shows the draft budget for next year for the approval of the Council. Existing budget items have been rolled forward, adjusted slightly for inflation where appropriate. The only significant proposed increase is on the item for verge cutting. Only two cuts were required this year due to the dry weather, but the area cut was extended slightly to include the verge on the Banbury Lane down to the bridge on the Sor Brook, and the triangle in front of Horley Mill. The budget assumes three cuts of all these areas next year. The contingency has been adjusted to leave the precept at the existing level.

Members are invited to consider the report, and approve the draft budget subject to any amendments which Members may wish to make.

6) Village Speed Limit

At the last meeting the Council considered a report concerning an accident which had occurred on 9 September in front of Brook Cottage. The Clerk was instructed to contact the County Council regarding the possibility of extending the 30mph speed limit further to the south, to slow traffic entering the village.

OCC have indicated that before agreeing to any changes they would wish to undertake a speed survey. Following that, if adjustments were appropriate, according to Department for Transport guidelines, it would be necessary to go through the process of making a formal speed limit order, which requires public consultation, and once approved alter any signage affected. The total cost of this process is likely to be in the order of £3,500-£4,000, and the County Council would only be prepared to proceed if the Parish Council were prepared to reimburse these costs.

The Department for Transport Guidelines encourage the introduction of 20mph speed limits in residential areas, and if changes were to be made to the existing speed limit in the village, it may well be considered appropriate to introduce a 20mph limit on most, if not all, of the village roads. Members should consider whether this is desirable before deciding whether to proceed further with changes to the existing speed limit.

7) Planning report

The Council has been consulted on a number of applications since the last meeting, and the outcome of these consultations is summarised in the annexed report.

8) Recent Flooding in the village

Since the last meeting the County Council has undertaken a highway drainage survey in the village, and a gully emptier attended to many of the blocked gullies. The Council officer dealing with the matter has confirmed that all the gullies and drains in Wroxton Lane are now clear and running. However, due to erosion, water runs behind many of the gullies rather than into them. To overcome this, the County Council would either have to install kerbing, or move gullies back against the current edge of the verge. No budget is in place to finance these works at this time.

So far as the drainage in Hornton Lane is concerned, the system has been traced, and a blockage has been identified in front of Wykham. The County Council have approached Mr and Mrs Davey seeking their permission to excavate and repair the blockage. Thereafter the pipe runs next to Wykham down to the land to the rear, and across the field to a ditch some distance away. Once the repair has been made the rest of the system will be checked, but it appears to be able to handle normal rainfall.

The County Council are still planning to replace the offset drain in front of Horley Mill, and are liaising with the Environment Agency about this as the outfall is to a stream which falls within their area of responsibility.

9) Printing

At the last meeting the Council considered a request to provide a central printing service for the village. Various people who do circulate printed material from time to time were contacted, but no one indicated that they would wish to take advantage of such a service. This is mostly because people are satisfied with their existing arrangements. Currently the Parish Council's printing is done on the Clerk's personal desktop printer, and the Council reimburses the cost of paper and ink used. It appears that there is insufficient demand to justify the acquisition of separate equipment which could be used to provide a printing service to others.

10) Reports from External Organisations

Any Member reports from external organisations.

11) Date of next meeting

Thursday 18 April 2019 – 7.30 pm

12) Any other urgent business

REPORTS

Item 5: 2018/19 budget monitoring report to 31/12/18.

Draft budget for 2019/20

	Category Description.	Budget 2018/2019	Spent to 31.12.18	Under/ overspend	Draft Budget 2019/20
1	Clerk's Salary	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
2	Clerk's Expenses	£150.00	£57.74	-£92.26	£150.00
3	Churchyard Maintenance	£450.00	£450.00	£0.00	£450.00
4	Insurance	£300.00	£299.10	-£0.90	£320.00
5	Election Expenses	£800.00	£39.00	-£761.00	£0.00
6	School Room Hire	£150.00	£0.00	-£150.00	£150.00
7	Subscriptions				
	OALC	£140.00	£0.00	-£140.00	£140.00
	SLCC	£50.00	£43.00	-£7.00	£50.00
	Community First Oxfordshire	£35.00	£0.00	-£35.00	£35.00
8	Audit Fee	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
9	Horley Views website	£50.00	£15.00	-£35.00	£15.00
10	S137 Expenditure				
	Charitable contributions	£150.00		-£25.00	£150.00
			Knit and Stitch	£50.00	
			Citizens Advice	£50.00	
			Clean Slate	£25.00	
	Defibrillator	£125.00	£126.00	£1.00	£150.00
11	Dog Bins Servicing	£385.00	£384.38	-£0.62	£385.00
12	Hedges	£300.00	£0.00	-£300.00	£300.00
13	Verge maintenance	£450.00	£402.00	-£48.00	£600.00
14	Contingency	£3,215.00	£0.00	-£3,215.00	£3,855.00
	TOTAL	£6,750.00	£1,941.22	£4,808.78	£6,750.00

Balances and income to 31.12.18

Business saver account balance 31.3.18	£24,760.18
Community account balance 31.3.18	£100.00
	<u>£24,860.17</u>
less expenditure relating to 2017/18	£185.00
	<u>£24,675.18</u>
Income	
CDC precept	£3,375.00
CDC supplementary grant	£4.87
CDC precept	£3,375.00
Interest	£13.08
Interest	£13.49
Interest	£14.71
Total income	£6,796.15
	<u>£31,471.33</u>
Less expenditure	<u>£1,941.22</u>
Balance 31.12.18	£29,530.11

Item 7 Planning Report

The outstanding applications, and those which have been determined by Cherwell District Council since the last meeting, are summarised below. All decisions issued by the Council in response to applications received are displayed on the village website (www.TheHorleyViews.com), including a link to the relevant application on the CDC website.

Application Number	Applicant	Description	Current position
18/01681/LB	Mr & Mrs Brodey	Conversion of existing garage at The Shippon	No objection by HPC permission granted
18/01549/F	Mrs Keene	New access at Manor Farm Barn	No objection by HPC, application subsequently withdrawn.
18/00258/TC A	Mr Charles Cozens	Works to various trees at Horley Manor	No objection by HPC.
18/02108/F	Mr & Mrs Everitt	New foul and surface water system at Horley House	No objection by HPC.