

Present: Councillors T Blackmore (Chair), S Burley, D Cobb, M Groom, T Pepperall, A Pflieger

1. Apologies for absence. Councillors J Bennett, A Harris and D Rees. (S Mowbray)
2. Safety Briefing was given to 9 members of the public and 6 Councillors.
3. Declarations of Interest. There were none.
4. Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 4th October 2013. Were amended on page 1 item 7 change 'near the top of National Audit,' to The top of the National Audit.' They were then signed as a true record.
5. Matters arising from the minutes and not scheduled on the agenda.
 - 04.10.13 item 8b - Drains in The Butts had been reported, a road sweeper had cleaned the road but had not cleared the drains or the pavements.
 - 04.10.13 item 8c – The Raised Beds had been made more secure.
 - 04.10.13 item 9b – The Clerk was having difficulties in obtaining a contact number for 'Coopers Estates' but had just received a telephone number that may help.
 - 04.10.13 item 12c - Speedwatch Hi-Vis have now been printed and delivered.
 - 01.08.13 item 14 – The Clerk had spoken to M Perrott, W.C. and was told the bridge could not be painted until the Spring as it is now too wet and damp.
 - 04.10.13 item 19a. - The replacement of the Litter bin was a little more complicated and price was a miss print on web page. There is a possibility that just the inside bin part could be purchased.
 - 04.10.13 item 19b – A heavy duty grit spreader was purchased and is now in cemetery shed.
6. Police Report.

There was no specific police report this month; Cllr Groom reported that 10 vehicle accidents had occurred in the last month in the area.
7. Wiltshire Council Report.

Councillor Groom reported that the Environment select committee were very busy at present. There would be more to report after Wiltshire Council full council to be held Tuesday 13th November.
8. Parishioners' Question time to include any items arising later on the agenda.

It was asked if the Parish Council could find out what all the interested parties are doing about the road system through Common Platt, Washpool, and Tewksbury Way. In particular Road signage, and future plans for traffic control with concern to the Ridgeway Farm application. ACTION: Highways Committee
 A local resident was concerned about rumours regarding Washpool Bridge being widened for pedestrians. Parish Council will continue establishing what Wiltshire Council and Swindon Borough Council are planning with regard to this bridge. SBC appear to be calling it Nine Elms Bridge which is complicating matters.
 ACTION: Highways Committee

Mrs Reed asked if anyone was going to write a piece for the magazine regarding the war memorial Church Clock fund. The Chairman responded that he was not in favour of the Parish Council promoting this cause at the present time as the fund does not appear to be connected to either the Church or the Parish Council. It was agreed that a Trust Fund needs to be set up. ACTION: a letter would be written to Mr B Baker seeking clarification and asking him to be a trustee of the new fund.

9. Urgent matters arising and any correspondence since the publication of the agenda.

Councillor Pflieger announced that he had ordered a Christmas tree on behalf of the Council. He requested permission to purchase some larger tree lights. A suggested figure for Golf Ball sized lights was £60.00, permission given in principle. Approval was sought from the two members of the Parish Hall present at the meeting for the tree to be put up as usual. The Parish Hall Chairman saw no reason to deny this request. The PAT testing for Christmas tree lights would be requested.

PAT testing was also agreed for the JCH as soon as possible.

Next Highways subcommittee meeting to be held on 29th Nov. Items for agenda to D Rees or D Cobb.
 Next CATG date 21st Nov 7p.m. at RWB rugby ground.

- 10.** The appointment of Paul Russell as the Parish Clerk with effect from January 2nd 2014 and the appointment of Rosemary Leckie as our Responsible Financial Officer from the same date were confirmed and approved by Councillors. The proposal was made by Councillor Groom and seconded by Councillor Pflieger. Mr Russell had sent his apologies as he had been intending to introduce himself at the meeting but had suffered a family bereavement.
- 11.** Mrs Alison Maclean-Crawford was proposed as a new Parish Councillor by Councillor Groom and seconded by Councillor Pflieger. She was duly co-opted and having signed her declaration joined the Councillors for the remainder of the meeting.
- 12.** Councillor Playground Inspection report.
Councillor Pepperall had carried out this month's inspection and referred to the upcoming item 13. Due to the School having just re-seeded their playing field, there was a request from the school to be able to play a pre-booked School team match and for after school training sessions to be played as per last year at the JCH. Shaw Football Club was ok with both of these requests. It was agreed that although we need to be transparent with our fees and keep to the published fees, a long term request such as afterschool groups could be subject to some negotiation. Councillor Pepperall will contact the School regarding proposed fees.
- 13.** To Receive Playground Inspection report from ROSPA.
There was one urgent matter listed, which was to change a D shackle on the wobble log. ACTION: This would be resolved before next Parish Council meeting by Councillors Pepperall and Blackmore.
- 14.** To confirm recommendations of Highways and Road Safety committee meeting in respect of Ridgeway Farm Development 14th October 2013
Councillor Cobb had presented the Council with a very long document of proposals which had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting.
It was agreed to begin action on the first and main proposal to obtain a gated closure of the B4553 just within our Parish Boundary. The committee were asked to begin organising a survey of parishioners in Common Platt, Washpool and Stone Lane initially to ascertain their opinions on this proposal.
Councillors were asked to give their thoughts on the remaining proposals and to place them in order of priority and give back to the committee before 29th November. ACTION: Highways Committee
- 15.** To confirm recommendations of Highways and Road Safety committee meeting in respect of pavement at Lydiard Green 17th October 2013.
Councillor Cobb had met with Steve Hind, the matter is still ongoing and for complex reasons he is not yet willing to discuss this matter in a public meeting. It was thought that the Area Board funding was still available.
The Chairman confirmed that any previous plans put forward regarding Lydiard Green are no longer valid and that the future plan would most likely become a multi stage project. ACTION: Highways Committee
- 16.** To receive report from the Cemetery and Public Spaces committee meeting of 22nd October 2013.
Circulated to all Councillors prior to the meeting.
The report on this meeting showed a difference of opinion regarding whether or not there is a need for a formal agreement regarding movement of traffic across the Parish Hall Carpark. Mostly this had come about due to the Trustees needing to be very diligent in their obligations.
ACTION: It was agreed that Councillor Bennett would take to the next Parish Hall meeting a letter for approval from the Parish Council, asking for a decision in principle from the Parish Hall that it would be acceptable to have traffic movement across their land, and that once planning permission was agreed a formally drawn up agreement would be created by the Solicitors.
- The Council also agreed that a personal approach should be made to Mr and Mrs Warren initially to establish the boundary of their property adjoining the Right of Way through the Hall car park. Councillor Pepperall offered to make the approach. It was also agreed to ask Mr Simon Chambers whether or not he had Land Registry documents showing these details. ACTION: Councillor Pepperall and Public Places Committee
- Finally the Parish Council approved expenditure of up to £2,000 for the ongoing services of Mr Simon Chambers in preparing a Planning application for a car park extension. ACTION: Public Places Committee
- 17.** To receive report from NEW-V - Neighbourhood Plan meeting of 24th October 2013.
Circulated to all Councillors prior to the meeting.
Councillor Bennett had submitted a written report updating them on the Plan and asked that Councillors attend one of the presentations at the public meetings on November 9th and asked that Council confirm the

NEW-V Group's desire that the forthcoming Neighbourhood Plan should only include reference to general as opposed to specific descriptions of potential development sites within the Parish. This was agreed. ACTION: NEW-V Group

18. To discuss the possibility of installing a defibrillator in the Parish. Deferred until after Community Police Office Singfield approach to the Area Board.

19. To consider the following **Planning Applications:**

13/04507/TCA 9 Lydiard Green, L.M. – Crown reduction to 1 Willow Tree - Already approved by WC

13/04600/FUL 16 The Street, L.M. – Single storey rear extension – Already approved by WC.

13/04705/FUL Barretts Yard, Stone Lane, L.M. – Erection of a swimming pool building and garage building/family accommodation.

It was agreed that there was no issue with the swimming pool element. The garage was considered to be too large and was too far forward on the plot.

13/04719/FUL 24 High Street, L.M. – Alterations & extensions at rear and side. Approved.

20. To confirm and minute the new bank signatories. Deferred.

21. To receive quote from Enlan for continued work in the Cemetery. £90 agreed.

22. To ratify the renewal of the leasing of the Parish Field. Approved for another six months.

23. To seek preliminary views from public and councillors on our 2014/2015 budget.

Parishioners and Councillors were invited to present their requests in time for December agenda.

24. To approve the following expenditure.

	Expenditure	Net £'s	Cheque amount
R Leckie	Salary	351.35	351.35
R Leckie	Expenses - Tel, Stationery, Mileage, etc		64.04
LMPHall	Hire of P/Hall	24.50	24.50
Enlan Ltd	Groundsman Fee	420.00	504.00
Enlan Ltd	Cemetery maintenance	12.00	12.00
Mr Haworth	White Lining	100.00	100.00
J Richens	JCH Cleaning for October	84.00	84.00
Playsafety Ltd	Annual Playground Inspection	130.00	156.00
J Frost	Repairs to toilet system at JCH	95.00	95.00
Reece Safety Products	Heavy duty grit spreader	149.50	179.40
Hampshire Flag Co	Banner for Neighbourhood Plan Meeting	52.94	63.53
LPC Ltd	Consultation work and Heritage statement	297.20	356.64
J Redford	Plants for raised beds	50.00	50.00
Swindon Commercial Services	Weed and Feed on playing field	583.65	700.38

The above payments were proposed by Councillor Pflieger and seconded by Councill Groom, and approved by the Council.

25. Date of next meeting: Thursday 5th December 2013 at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

Meeting closed at 8.55pm