Notes of the Annual Meeting of Milcombe Parish Council Tuesday 14 May 2019

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Minutes - The minutes of the meeting held on 5 March 2019 were agreed as a correct record.

Parish Council/Village Matters:

Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2019/2020 – Councillor Marlene Cowell was appointed as Chairman and Mandie McCullagh was appointed as Vice-Chairman.

Community Speed Watch Scheme – More information would be obtained on the possibility of purchasing a camera with other Parish Councils in the area and introducing the Community Speed Watch Scheme to Milcombe.

Dovecote Wall – Cherwell District Council had been asked to arrange for the rubble on the site to be removed. The Clerk would chase this up with CDC.

Emergency Bags – Oxfordshire County Council would be providing 300 emergency bags which would be distributed around the village, containing very useful information about what to do in the event of an emergency in Milcombe.

Defibrillator for Milcombe – The Vicar would be approached with regard to a suggestion about siting a defibrillator in the porch of St Laurence Church.

Death of a National Figure – The Protocol for the Death of a National Figure, such as a member of the Royal Family, was approved.

Highways – Repairs which were required to potholes should be reported to the County Council's Fix My Street web site. https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/

Finance:

Grants – The Parish Council made a donation to the Cherry Tree Centre and St Mary's Thursday Club, both in Bloxham, of £500 and £100 respectively because their services were used by Milcombe residents.

Members' Allowances 2019/2020 – Councillors would continue on a voluntary basis and not receive any allowances.

Accounts 2019/2020 – The accounts were signed off for 2019/2020 and the Annual Governance and Accountability Return Exemption Certificate would be sent to the external auditor, Moore Stephens.

Planning:

19/00617/F Land to the east of the Warriner School, Bloxham Grove Road, Bloxham,

Part 2-storey, part 1-storey Special Education Needs (SEN) school with new access from Bloxham Grove Road, associated outdoor play areas, multi-use games area, staff parking, pupil drop-off and landscaping.

The Parish Council did not object to the application, however it did raise concerns about the impact of the additional traffic. The full version of the comments was available on Cherwell District Council's web site.

19/00458/LB Bay Tree House Main Road Milcombe

Stonework repairs and repointing to west elevation including chimney

No comments

19/00670/F 4 Newcombe Close, Milcombe

Proposed single storey extension to side of property

No comments

19/00045/OUT Land North of The Green and adj to Oak Farm Drive, Milcombe

Removal of Condition 11 (open space / play spaces) of 15/02068/OUT - for Condition 8 it has been established that there is a third party land between the edge of the application site and the PROW to the north. For Condition 11 it is now proposed that a commuted sum and capital costs payment for providing a LAP off site is made.

The Parish Council commented that the footpath was not wide enough to accommodate buggies/cycles/mobility scooters and the £1000 allocated for improvements was inadequate to remove the step, improve the footpath and place some kind of barrier between the footpath and the main road to avoid young children running down the path and into the road.

Meeting Dates - Future meetings, all starting at 8.00pm at the Village Hall, Milcombe were as follows:

- 2 July 2019
- 3 September 2019
- 5 November 2019

All welcome to attend!

A copy of the draft minutes for the whole meeting are available on www.milcombe.com or please contact the Clerk, Theresa Goss, at milcombepc@gmail.com or ring 01295 710965 during normal office hours.

Reminders:

Roads (including potholes)/footpaths/street lighting/overhanging trees/hedges: Report to Oxfordshire County Council https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/

Faulty Street Lights: Report on freephone 0800 317802 giving exact destination and pole number if possible.

Dog Bags: These are available from New Road Stores and at the back of the Church behind the organ. Please clear up after your dog - it is an offence not to.

Electricity: SSE 0800 294 3259 or text phone 0800 316 5457, UK Power Networks – 0800 169 9970, Western Power Distribution – 0800 096 3080

Water: Thames Water 0800 009 3652 or text phone 0800 316 6899, Anglian Water 03457 91 91 55

Power failure: If there's a power cut call the free number 105 to check what's happening with your local provider