

## Appleford- on- Thames Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting duly convened and held in Appleford on 20th July 2020.

**Present:** Cllrs P Walker, J McCarthy.

### **Apologies:**

1. Public Participation

None

2. Apologies for absence

A Guinn

3. Declarations of Interests

Cllr A.Guinn - Village Hall

4. Reports from District and County Councillor

Clifton Hampden are meeting with County Officers to discuss modifications to the Road Consultation. The road that affects Sutton Courtney and Appleford in being discussed but as the HIF bid is now signed there is no reason it won't go ahead. The road is planned to be in place by 2024.

This may impact on the Radcot site development. There will be approx 200 sites looked for and only a few will be accepted by the VOWH. The Parish Council is encouraged to consider what would lead to the best outcomes for Appleford in the event that the development goes ahead.

Oxfordshire is doing well in terms of fighting Covid apart from Care Home mortality rates. Lessons have been learned and the local response was very strong.

### **5. Planning**

A number of planning applications had been received as well as notification of a Road Closure in Clifton Hampden.

#### **5. Parish Council Matters:**

##### **A. Reopening Playground**

A Risk Assessment will need to be carried out. It might be useful to get it pressure washed. The tape is down and there is one gate that doesn't shut properly. Messaging was discussed and it was agreed that some signs would be put up to confirm that the Parish Council had chosen to reopen the playground and users must ensure that all government guidance was followed. A sample of wording will provided for the Parish Council approval.

##### **B. Any other business**

The tree that was impacting the power lines across the Main Road has come down.

The discussion on installation of the basketball hoop is ongoing.

The Salvation Army have been asked to empty the bin in the Car Park. However, there are a number of Christmas Trees at the Hall and it appears that the collection has been missed. PW will collect the trees and dispose of them.

## 6. Finance

The Council agreed the following payments:-

| Payee        | Reason       | Number | Amount  |
|--------------|--------------|--------|---------|
| Mrs A Davies | Clerk Salary | 317    | £311.20 |
| HMRC         | Clerk Tax    | 318    | £77.80  |

b. To approve the Accounts for 2019/20

The Accounts were approved.

c. To agree the Annual Governance Review and authorise the Chair to sign both documents.

The documents were approved and the Chair was authorised to sign.

## 7. Correspondence

A number of emails have been received about booking the Village Hall. It was agreed that the Parish Council considered that at the moment it did not seem appropriate to open the Village Hall and the Village Hall Administrator would be advised accordingly.

## 8. Items for report

### 8. Items for September's Agenda

Re-opening the Village Hall.

**Date of Next Meeting :- 21 September 2020**