

The Parish Council of St. Helen Without

Minutes of the Parish Council Sub Committees Meeting held on Monday 11th September 2023 at 7.00 p.m. at Shippon Church Hall

- 1. Present:** Cllrs. M. Page (in the Chair), C. Parkin, M. Littleboy, R. Bahu, D. Churchouse, N. Benchiba-Savenius
- 2. In attendance:** Lt Col Andy Gartside, Cllr. R. Webber, Anna Clarke (Clerk)
- 3. Apologies for Absence**
None
- 4. Declarations of Personal or Personal and Prejudicial Interests**
None
- 5. Matters raised by members of the public**
None present
- 6. Minutes of the meeting held on 17th July 2023**
The Minutes were reviewed and adopted.

7. Highways & Amenities Sub Committee

Highways

Sandleigh Road Recreation Ground – Rospa annual inspection report – the Clerk has asked MRH Services to follow up on the findings, rusted Exercise equipment and cracked wet pour surface.

Entrance Path – the H&A Sub Committee will look into costing the proposal for a pathway, approx. 1 metre wide, with wood chippings either side and report back to the meeting. Consideration to be given to the issue that the pathway will cease as it leads onto a muddy field. In the meantime, it was agreed to procure someone at a cost of £200, to collect and lay wood chippings. RB/ML

Notice board – The Clerk to go with Earth Anchors and see if MRH Services will be able to install in the first instance. AC

Bins – proposed sites:

- Junction of Old Faringdon Rd & Cholswell Rd
- Dry Sandford School
- Lashford Lane & Lansdowne Rd Junction
- Opposite the Merry Miller, Cothill

Dry Sandford Nature Reserve have requested that one is not placed there as it has previously proved to be counterproductive.

20MPH Speed Limits – Mark Francis has requested details from the OCC Dept responsible for signage. No notification of change of speed limit has been sent out, despite the fact that signs have been put up. There has been confusion as there are 30mph signs, where the limit is supposed to be 20MPH.

Traffic Calming Measures Barrow Rd & Lashford Lane – Cllr Bahu to look at traffic calming options and report back.

EV Scheme – applications need to be submitted by the 15th September. The scheme allows people to hire an electric vehicle for the day using the app. There are 2 options, which would need the landlord's permission, the pub or Church Car parks. Cllr Bahu to put in an application to see if it would be possible.

SID – this will need resetting from 30mph to 20mph in different locations. Cllr Bahu to look at this with Mick Herring. RB

Dog Waste – Following a complaint from a resident of Rookery Close about dog waste on the pavement, dog owners are reminded that that dog waste should be picked up and put in a bin or taken home. Not doing so can result in a penalty.

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8. Finance Sub Committee

1st Quarter Bank Reconciliation - Cllr Churchouse reviewed the bank reconciliation.

9. Planning & Development Sub Committee

P23/V1360/O Construction of 9 dwellings, Land off Spey Road, Abingdon. This has been thrown out by Planners. The PC commented in line with the Neighbourhood Plan and Local Plan Part 2, objecting as it would have increased the size of the village.

Neighbourhood Plan – Wootton PC has now reviewed the Plan and will passing it at their October meeting to go to the Vale. Cllrs Page and Parkin will be reviewing it on behalf of SHW PC, as it is a joint plan.

a) Decision Notices

a) Ongoing Applications

b) Ref:	P22/V2401/OH
Date	7 th October 2022
Description	The proposal is to erect a new H-Pole and lay underground cables to an existing H-Pole. As this work falls within an area which has been highlighted as being a risk zone of a site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).
Address	Cothill House Abingdon OX13 6JL
St Helen Without PC's comments	
Decision	2 nd December 2022 (No decision Issued)

Ref:	P22/V2931/FUL
Date	23 rd January 2023
Description	Restoration and Change of Use of Barns to create Single Dwelling.
Address	Church Farm Barns Barrow Road Shippon Abingdon OX13 6JF
St Helen Without PC's comments	St Helen Without Parish Council would support this development in principle as we believe the proposed 3 bedroom dwelling to be more suitable to the area than the previous application for offices. This planning application is more in keeping with the openness and rural aspect of this historic part of the village of Shippon than the previous application which was refused due to the possible significant harm to biodiversity. SHWPC has no objection to this application as long as the Vale of White Horse Planners are satisfied that the Ecological Report January 2020, the Environmental Risk Assessment and the supplementary Bat Report meet all the planning requirements in relation to biodiversity and the protection of the species found on the site.
Decision	2 nd June 2023 (No decision Issued)

Ref:	P23/V0737/LB
Date	6 th June 2023
Description	Internal maintenance to replace old electrical system, replacement kitchen, replacement bathroom and new heating system. Redecoration throughout. Removal of rear chimney. Addition of gas boxes to the exterior of no. 62 and 66 Barrow Road to accompany new gas boiler.
Address	62 & 66 Barrow Road Shippon Abingdon OX13 6JQ
St Helen Without PC's comments	No objection on the removal of the dangerous chimney stack which, if it falls, would drop into the garden of the adjoining property (number 58 Barrow Road). The decision to remove or repair the chimney is one for the planning and conservation officers but from a PC point of view, no objection if it was taken down and the roof tiled with similar tiles to the rest of the roof. With regard the utility boxes proposed to be affixed to the outside of the two cottages it would appear from the plans that the one on the wall of number 62 is in fact only accessible from within the grounds

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	of number 58. Unless the owners of that property give their agreement to this (there is no suggestion that they have been contacted or their views sought in this application) and allow access across their land, the box should be positioned in a different place where access is directly from the garden of 62.
Decision	1 st August 2023 (No decision Issued)

Ref:	P23/V1719/AG
Date	27 th July 2023
Description	Proposed new Agricultural Barn. (Amended plan received 23rd August 2023- Reducing the height of the building)
Address	Land at Honeybottom Lane Dry Sandford Abingdon
St Helen Without PC's comments	Saint Helen Without Parish Council have no objection in principle to the development of this agricultural barn as set out in the planning application. We do note however that in the covering letter from Edgars they set out Table 1: Assessment of the proposal against the class A provisions. We would refer to the clause at the top of page 6 of their letter; any building within 3 kilometres of an aerodrome must not exceed 3 metres in height. They say the building is not within 3 kilometres of an aerodrome but in fact it is within this distance to the old RAF Abingdon, now Dalton Barracks. The airfield is still used from time to time for military training by the Army and RAF for both fixed wing and rotors powered aircraft and question whether this meets the class A provisions? SHWPC will be guided by the VWH Planners and if they are satisfied that all the class A provisions have been met then, as stated above, we would have no objection to this planning application
Decision	1 st September 2023

Ref:	P23/V2028/HH
Date	6 th September 2023
Description	Rear single storey extension with room in roof space.
Address	Moorhouse Church Lane Dry Sandford Abingdon OX13 6JP
St Helen Without PC's comments	28 th September 2023
Decision	1 st November 2023

10).Cllrs reports and items for future agendas

None

11).Date of next meeting

It was confirmed that the next meeting of the Sub Committees will be held at 7.00p.m. on Monday 30th October 2023 at Shippon Church Hall.

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 7.30p.m.

Signed.....Date.....

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