**REMENHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the meeting held in the Parish Hall on 11th Nov 2019 starting at 7:56pm

and finishing at 8:47pm (circulated 20th Nov 2019)

**PRESENT**: Cllrs John Halsall (JH; Deputy Chairman)

John Merkel (JM; Chairman)

 Franky Cookson (FC)

 Chris Leeming (CL)

 Darrel Poulos (DP)

 Bill Ronald (BR)

 Nigel Williams (NW)

 Clerk: Paul Sermon

In attendance:

Felicity Rutland (FR)?

**110/19: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

**111/19: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**112/19: MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

It was AGREED that the Deputy Chairman be authorised to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 14th Oct 2019 as a true record of that meeting.

**113/19:** **MATTERS ARISING**

The RPC submissions (Appendix 1) on 3224323/322432 (182327/182524) Malmesbury/Park Place Appeals and the WBC response on the collapsed listed structure behind Thames Bridge House (Appendix 2) were noted. BR thanked JM/JM for their efforts on these. The Clerk mentioned emails from Michael Dudley on an additional dog-waste bin on the towpath and the position and day-long use of parking bays on Remenham Lane.

**114/19: WEBSITE**

FC described how there had been an increased number of unique website visitors in the last 10 months, some coming via a Chinese search engine.

**115/19: PLANNING**

On the collapse of the listed structure behind Thames Bridge House, The

Chairman said he thought WBC was unsure what to do. CL asked what

response RPC would make. JH said that 192409 (Coach House, Matson Drive)

had been withdrawn and pre-application discussions were in progress with

WBC Planning. The Clerk said that he thought the there was a suggestion

that the Malmesbury/Park Place appeals would be face-to-face.

**116/19: FOOTPATHS**

 The operation of the latest dog-waste bin was noted. The request for an additional dog-waste bin on the towpath was noted, but it was felt that landowner’s agreement would be needed.

**117/19: HIGHWAYS**

It was AGREED that the Henley Transport group would be informed by JH of CL’s future attendance. The Chairman described how RPC traffic issues at the entrance to Middle Culham cottages and Culham Court were being addressed. The Clerk advised that any costs involved should be before the end of this financial year.

JH said that the signage on the parking bays in Remenham Lane was wrong and that it was planned to move one bay towards the Parish Hall and limit the time a vehicle could park there.

Progress on a new Thames Bridge was described by JH. The Clerk said that he thought that Appeals on 3224323/322432 (182327/182524) Malmesbury/Park Place were now to be considered at a face-to-face meeting.

**118/19: FINANCIAL MATTERS**

 The Clerk reminded the meeting that a Precept would need to be set at the next meeting and that RPC would need to bear in mind the ratio of its reserves to the proposed Precept. He suggested RPC brings forward any planned expenditure to meet traffic issues. JH recommended that RPC ask Sarah Clover to review all event licenses. This was AGREED. Expenditure of CIL monies was discussed in terms of traffic speed indicators, wild flower planting and public river bathing steps. Following advice from JH, it was AGREED that The Clerk would give NatWest a time limit to provide telephone/e-banking and then if this was not forthcoming move RPC accounts to a different bank.

**119/19: OTHER MATTERS**

DP suggested RPC have a register of those who could provide a rapid-response on the chain-saw cutting of fallen trees; The Clerk said they would need to be insured.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING** Mon Dec 9th (8pm) in the Parish Hall

*ACTIONS:*

*JH will*

 action RPC representation at the appeals on 3224323/322432 (182327/182524) Malmesbury/Park Place if this is to be face-to-face

 inform the Henley Transport group of CL’s future attendance

 progress the resolution of traffic issues at the entrance to Middle Culham cottages/Culham Court and the parking bays in Remenham lane

 ask Sarah Clover to review all event licenses

The Clerk will

circulate a suggested RPC response to WBC on the collapsed listed structure behind Thames Bridge House

circulate a list of possible expenditure of CIL monies

take action on telephone/e-banking before the next meeting

**APPENDIX 1**

**APPENDIX 2**