

MINUTES OF THE SOULDERN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL

ON 24th November 2022

Present:

Nick Oakhill (NO) CHAIR
Alan Smith (AS)
Neal Ship (NS)
Heidi Dennison (HD)
Cathy Fleet (CF) CLERK

Members of the Public:

11.22.01 Apologies

Apologies had been received from John Hoodless

11.22.02 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest

11.22.03 To receive the minutes of the last parish council meeting

The minutes of the parish council meeting held on 3rd November 2022 were checked for accuracy and content, agreed as a true record of the meetings and signed by the chair.

11.22.04 Public participation

There were no members of the public present

11.22.05 Clerks Report and Actions from previous meeting

There were no outstanding actions from the last meeting.

Updates - the ramp is in hand

Churchyard wall - the working party has cleared ivy from parts of the wall and some gravestones. Parts of the wall are fallen but repairs will be financed by the owner of the Old Rectory.

Co-option of councillor - no update. NO will try and contact the interested party

Barrier for the car park - Collins of Croughton have requested a drawing and measurements and will then make a site visit and quote for fabricating the barrier. NO will create drawings once councillors have decided the design and positioning of the barrier.

11.22.06 Brackley Town Football Club

BTFC need to be invoiced for £500 for 21/22. They will replace the door - AS to inform them that PVC is preferable. The contract is to be renewed and BTFC have requested

that the lease is renewed for 2 years and a further 5 years thereafter. They have also requested use of the pitch on alternate Wednesdays. AS will carry out research regarding costs of hire in other parishes and will report back.

11.22.07 Finance

The following accounts were approved for payment:

Paid by standing order in Nov

| Payee | Detail | Total £s | VAT | Comments |
|-------------|--------------------|----------|-----|----------------|
| Cathy Fleet | Clerk Salary (Sep) | 85.20 | 0.0 | Standing Order |
| HMRC | (re above) | 16.80 | 0.0 | Standing Order |

Invoices to be approved

| Payee | Detail | Total £s | VAT | Comments |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|-------|--|
| N Prickett | Grass Cutting | 396.00 | 66.00 | Oct cut of grass and football pitch |
| N Oakhill | Defib Battery | 366.00 | 61.00 | |
| Village Hall | Post Office | 404.80 | | To be questioned before payment made |
| Village Hall | PC Room Booking | 307.80 | | To be questioned before payment made £9 per hour for 19 weeks (assume 2 hours per meeting) – 23/5/21-25/11/21 & 27/1/22-29/12/22 |

NS had circulated the proposed budget for 2023/24 which was discussed and amended and it was agreed that the precept request for 2023/24 will be £6394.50, an increase of 5% on last year. Proposed by NO seconded by AS

There was discussion regarding the charges to the PC for the use of the hall, which NO objected to as charges have never been made to the PC. AS to make enquiries as this may be a clerical error.

11.22.08 Updates

a) Playground Advisory Group

No update available

b) Nancy Bowles Wood Advisory Group

No update available

c) CDC

No update available

d) OCC

No update available

11.22.09 Planning

There were no new planning applications

Date of next meetings

PC meeting **Planning meeting**
29th December

Dates for 2023 – last Thursday of the month

| PC Meeting | Planning meeting |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 26 th January | 23 rd February |
| 30 th March | 27 th April |
| 25 th May | 29 th June |
| 27 th July | 31 st August |
| 28 th September 29, | 26 th October |
| 23 rd November | 28 th December |

Dates for the Annual meeting of the Parish Council and Annual Parish meeting tbc

Signed
Chair, Souldern Parish Council

Date

ACTION LIST SUMMARY

| NO | ACTION | OWNER |
|-----------|--|--------------|
| Nov22.01 | Co-option of councilor - NO will contact interested party | NO |
| Nov22.02 | BTFC - AS will research football pitch hire prices | AS |
| Nov22.03 | AS will make enquiries regarding village hall hire charges to PC | AS |