

OLD MILVERTON AND BLACKDOWN JOINT PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 17TH. OCTOBER 2022 8.00 P.M.  
AT OLD MILVERTON VILLAGE HALL

DRAFT MINUTES UNTIL APPROVED AND SIGNED AT THE NEXT MEETING

PRESENT: Councillors J. Emmerson (in the Chair), R Pope, L Keeling, M. Rayner and W. M. O. Tansey; County and District Councillors W.I.Gifford and W. Redford; District Councillor Mrs. S. Syson

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies for absence were received from District Councillor Mrs C. Gifford

2212. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: The minutes of the meeting on 5th. September 2022 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

2213. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

(a). CIL funded initiatives

- (1) Blackdown signs – Cllr L Keeling to progress
- (2) Footpath signs – Cllr R Pope to progress, Graffiti Proofing discussed and agreed
- (3) Blackdown bench – Cllr L Keeling to progress – aim to include some tree planting in the location as part of HMQEII's Green Canopy project, dead tree to be replaced.
- (4) Footpath Feasibility Study – Cllr J Emmerson to progress

(b). Conditions of footpaths on Stoneleigh Road, Blackdown

Cllr L Keeling to follow up with WCC's County Highways Officer - Ryan Machin and cc in Cllr W Redford

2214. ARRANGEMENTS FOR APPOINTMENT OF NEW CLERK

- (a) WALC suggested payscale agreed (5 hours per week based on full time salary £20,444 to £22,572 at April 21, pro-rata) with progression through the pay scale dependent on qualification and experience
- (b) Agreed to contact Mrs Kay Sheriston with a view to appoint as Locum Clerk
- (c) Previous Clerk Mr Cooper's outstanding holiday pay discussed, Cllr Emmerson to contact WALC for advice
- (d) Previous Councillor Mr M Tansey has offered to arrange an event to mark the retirement of Mr Cooper after over 27 years service, Cllr Emmerson to contact WALC for advice re: can this be funded by the Parish Council

2215. SOUTH WARWICKSHIRE LOCAL PLAN

Cllr R Pope liaising with Ridge to finalize letter

2216. WEBSITE

Cllr R Pope meeting with Mrs Sandra Robinson to progress, new URL registered

2217.. CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

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2218. REVIEW OF RECENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Parish Council had been approached by the owners of The Swans asking for support of re-submitted application in order that that the proposal might go before the planning committee. Whilst sympathetic to the reasons for the request the councillors agreed they could not support a proposal for development in the green belt per se and it was suggested the applicant could ask their planning consultants for advice on how the Parish Council could assist in with this objective.

2219. MEETINGS in 2023/2024

Agreed as 8pm on Monday evenings on the below dates

24 April (Annual Parish Meeting), 15 May (Annual General Meeting), 3 July, 4 September, 16 October; 27 November 2024 15 January, 11 March.

2220. CONSIDERATION OF ACCOUNTS

for payment as listed on the schedule provided for Parish Councillors.  
None on this occasion.

2221 OTHER BUSINESS

(a) Cllr Tansey had investigated replacement planters which were approved.

(b) Electric Scooters had been observed in use in the parishes, agreed to put posters on notice boards reminding people that use on the public highway or footpath is not lawful

(c) Cllr Redford informed the meeting of the use of Electric Buses with a range of 280 miles. Also that average speed cameras were on trial in 4 sites, this prompted discussion on the parish councils request for traffic monitoring, information to be re-sent to Cllr Redford and the parish council agreed to fund the 4 sites in Old Milverton and Blackdown previously mooted at a cost of £500 per site

(d) Cllr Redford informed that the HS2 project would fund £106,000 per annum (until 2025) for maintaining routes used by their haulage lorries

2222 ITEMS FOR FORTCOMING MEETINGS

None

2223 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

CHAIRMAN