

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF RADLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ONLINE on
THURSDAY 24th JUNE 2021 at 7.30pm**

PRESENT: Crs Crowley (Chairman), Blagrove (to item 85/21), Cook, Dudding,
Fraser, Henderson, Mulholland, Smith, Sparks, Standen
IN ATTENDANCE: 2 members of the public, District Councillor Lugova and the clerk

79/21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cr Johnston

80/21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Cr Crowley declared a prejudicial interest in item as a trustee of Radley Lakes Trust.

81/21 DISPENSATIONS: None had been requested.

82/21 MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:

Harriet Moggridge thanked the Council for its support with hedgerow survey training. 10 people had attended and had since carried out surveys of other hedges in the village.

83/21 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGs HELD ON 27th MAY 2021.

It was agreed that the minutes should be put forward for adoption at the July Parish Council meeting.

84/21 Standing Orders were suspended to take items 7.4 and 8.4 early while Cr Blagrove was present:

Playing field: Cr Blagrove proposed that the exterior of the pavilion should be painted and the current steel window screens should be replaced with polycarbonate. It was agreed that he should bring quotes to the next meeting. On a proposal to replace the current gutters with aluminium, councillors that the gutters had only recently been replaced and a comprehensive renovation was planned within the next 2 years. It was agreed to revisit later if they continued to be damaged.

Cr Blagrove was chasing for the electrical safety certificate attached to the installation of new lighting in the pavilion.

It was suspected that a patch of wet ground that had appeared following the football club tournament was the result of a sewage leak. It was agreed that a specialist contractor would be engaged if the patch recurred after the football club's next large event on 10 July.

85/21 POLICE MATTERS: None

86/21 PLANNING MATTERS:

(a) **DEVELOPMENT STEERING GROUP:**

Gooseacre: The joint committee had held a very constructive meeting. It was agreed that the committee should comprise 2 representatives of the village hall committee, the Radley College Estates Bursar, Cr Blagrove (chairing), Cr Dudding, Bob Earl and the clerk.

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The Estates Bursar had agreed ahead of the meeting that subject to the governing body's approval, Radley College would be willing to extend the lease.

It was agreed i) that it should be delegated to the Development Steering Group to determine the precise terms of the invitation to tender for consultants, taking into accounts comments from the village hall ii) that tenders should be invited for the work iii) that the budget for this work should be amended.

Action: Seek an extension of the lease for a further 60 years or for 60 years from completion of the proposed renovations.

Radley Lakes: The masterplan launch had been reported in the Abingdon Herald.

Car park: Plans were progressing.

Primary School expansion: Some progress had been made on the agreement with OCC to part fund the expansion of the school hall and a specialist solicitor was appointed to review the terms of the agreement.

(b) STRATEGIC SITES:

South Kennington: None.

NW Radley: It was agreed that a meeting should be set up with Pye as a matter of priority. It was agreed that planning issues would be best dealt with through the Parish Council.

(c) SEWAGE ISSUES:

Thames Water had provided a useful report on the problems with the existing system which highlighted a clear problem of infiltration when groundwater is high.

It was agreed that the Council should ask the District Councillors and the chairman of the planning committee to ensure that discharge of condition 27 of the NW Radley planning approval should be determined by committee.

87/21 FINANCIAL MATTERS:

(a) RECONCILIATION: Councillors acknowledged scrutiny and acceptance of the bank statement and reconciliation

(b) ACCOUNTS: It was agreed that the accounts should be paid as itemised in the monthly cashbook.

<u>Income</u>			
	Radley Youth	Playing field and pavilion booking 12 th July	120.00
	Zoom	Refund on payment of annual licence	43.16

<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Ref</u>	<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Payment</u>
<u>Date</u>		<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Gross</u>
		DD Google	PC email addresses	64.40 LG Act 1972 s111
		DD Everflow	Water supply pavilion	31.25 LG (Misc Provisions)1976
		DD Opus Energy	Pavilion electricity supply	44.77 LG (Misc Provisions)1976
		DD Opus Energy	Pavilion gas supply	0.00 LG (Misc Provisions)1976
15/5/2021	160	Mr J Rogerson	Salary	65.00 Highways Act 1980 s96
24/5/2021	2021/	DD Paypal/Zoom	Annual licence	143.88 LG Act 1972 s 111

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	161 HMRC	PAYE and NI	316.25 LG Act 1972 s112
	162 OCC Pension Fund	Staff/employer contributions	483.94 LG Act 1972 s112
	163 ST Grounds Maintenance	Bin emptying, rubbish clearance	110.00 Public Health Act 1936 s2601875 s614
	164 Jon Sherwood	Churchyard grass cutting	180.00 Local Govt Act 1972 s 215
	165 Ady Pobery	Grass cutting	663.00 Public Health Act 1936, LG (Misc Provisions)1976
	166 Cranley Environmental	Radley Lakes masterplan	56.75 Open Spaces Act 1906
	167 Radley Village Hall	Rental for the July Parish Council meeting	300.00 LG Act 1972 s111
	168 Thomas Leach Limited	Printing Radley Lakes masterplan	141.00 Open Spaces Act 1906
	169 Mrs J E Dymock	Refunds and expenses	59.27 LG Act 1972 s111
	170 SH Lewis	Bus shelter cleaning	96.00 LG (Misc Provisions) Act 1953 s4
	171 Nigel Adams	Hedgerow survey training	150.00
30/6/2021	SO Mrs J E Dymock	Salary (net), telephone	1,315.43 LG Act 1972 s112
30/6/2021	172 Mr J Rogerson	Salary (net)	67.86 Highways Act 1980 s96
15/7/2021	173 Mr J Rogerson	Salary (net)	65.00 Highways Act 1980 s96
			6224.39

- (c) **BOUNDARY REVIEW:** Proposal that Sugworth Lane /Bayworth Manor area should become a separate entity – carried forward to the July meeting.

88/21 REPORTS OF THE COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS had been circulated to the Council in advance of the meeting and were taken as read.

89/21 HIGHWAY MATTERS:

- (a) Weeds: It was agreed that the Council would complain to the District Council about the standard of the Vale Deep Clean carried out earlier in the year and ask them to address weeds in Gooseacre.
- (b) 20mph limits: Deferred to the July meeting.
- (c) SIDS signs: The Council received a report from the volunteer who was currently managing the signs and was very grateful to him for his help.
- (d) Dropped kerbs: It was agreed that an update should be sought.

90/21 CONSERVATION:

- (a) Radley Large Wood: The woods had been put up for sale and residents were concerned that it might pass into less sympathetic ownership. A group of concerned residents had held an open meeting and had been in contact with two groups who they hoped would be interested in buying the wood. There was no direct role for the Parish Council at present. The Council supported their aims and invited contact if they thought the Council could help.

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It was noted that the permissive paths agreement secured access to the woods for 50 years.

- (b) Litter: As the government had not released Covid restrictions as expected on 21 June, the Radley College litter pick would proceed in their bubble. It was agreed that the Council should consider dates in September for a village litter pick. The children's litter poster competition deadline had been set for 12 July, with judging following that week. It had been agreed that prizes would be presented on the evening of the next Parish Council meeting.
- (c) Pond: Radley College were considering installation of the pontoon constructed by a Radley College boy which would permit primary school children to pond dip. Their Health and Safety advisor had determined it was a significant undertaking to ensure that it should be certified as safe and secure for children to use and was seeking quotes for specialist contractors for the work. The Council would be asked to contribute half of the cost, possibly up to £2,500. Cr Sparks was asked to bring the quotes obtained by Radley College to the July meeting.
- (d) Lower Churchyard: It was proposed by Cr Crowley, seconded by Cr Mulholland and agreed that the Council should accept a quote of £450 from Oxford Tree Surgeons to pollard a dead tree to 3m. This would leave a screen for the neighbouring property and a wildlife habitat.

91/21 THRUPP LANE:

Layla Moran MP would be visiting the area at the request of Thrupp Lane residents.

92/21 MATTERS FOR REPORT or discussion without decision:

It had been noted that the Post Office van had not visited the village for 6 weeks. The clerk had contacted the Post Office and had been assured that there was no intention to remove the service from the village and it would return the following week.

93/21 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA:

94/21 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS:

- Finance and Administration Committee: Thursday 15th July online at 7.30pm.
- Ordinary meeting: Thursday 29th July at 7.30pm in Radley Village Hall

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

(Chairman)

Items for endorsement at the July meeting:

1. Minutes of the 29th April, 4th May and 27th May meetings.
2. Scrutiny of the reconciliation and bank statements.
3. May and June accounts
4. Engagement of a specialist solicitor to advise on the agreement with OCC regarding part funding of the School Hall extension.
5. Gooseacre invitation to tender document and agreement to invite consultants to bid for the work.