

ONECOTE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Onecote Parish Council held on Tuesday March 28th 2023 at 7.30 pm

Present: Chris Roden Chair, Angela Johnson Acting Clerk, Ralph Critchlow, Brian Swindells, John Stone, Stuart Jagers

1. Chairmans welcome

The Chairman welcomed Councillor Gill Heath to the meeting

2. Apologies: Adrian Weaver

3. Declaration of interest: None

4. Approval of Minutes of 8th March 2023

Approved Councillor John Stone, seconded Stuart Jagers

5. Public participation None

6. Discussion of funding to support passing place in Douse Lane

GH said that any funds available for this financial year would be limited. It might be possible to have limited funds from this year and spread the costs over two years. Funds could be applied for next financial year. Inflation should be included in the costings. There was some discussion of precise location. Highways must approve of the location. A written quote would be obtained.

Action AJ

7. Resignation of the Clerk Stephen Mansfield and replacement

SPCA to receive a copy of minutes (08/03/23) of temporary arrangements. The vacancy is being advertised, closing date 7th April. A full job description is available.

8. Actions arising from last meeting

8b AJ had notified Liz Fitzgibbon of Stephen Mansfield's finishing date. A final payslip has been supplied.

8c Banking: The Chairman had taken a letter informing the manager of TSB Biddulph branch of the resignation of the Clerk and requesting bank statements. These had been received.

8d The Chairman provided an update of Seven Trent Water sewage proposals. The STW communications officer, Rachel Lowe, had requested that she attend a Parish Council meeting to brief the Parish. CR suggested that this should be an open meeting for the Parish. CR to confirm with SWT that this would be OK, and the meeting would then be advertised. It was agreed that this should be on the 25th April. **Action CR**

9. Planning Applications: None

SJ reported back on the outcome of the SMDC planning meeting on Crossways Farm Animal processing application. The application has been turned down. Representations against the proposal had been made by a number of people in the Parish

10. Reports of outside bodies: None

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11. Correspondence

11a General emails forwarded to all Councillors.

11b A letter re meeting on speed limits in villages "20 is plenty" was noted.

11c Police request to be notified of local Coronation events. **Action AJ/SJ**

11d Onecote Cemetery Report. An application for one plot received

12. Accounts

12a Bank statement sheet 00057 received 01/03/23. The current balance is £3792.76. Copies of banks statements for the whole financial year have been received.

12b The commercial waste agreement invoice for the year of £141.04, paid monthly in instalments. Agreement signed by Chair.

12c Annual Insurance renewal due 1/06/23 was reviewed. It was decided to reassess the "current sums insured". **Action AJ**

12d Parish expenses to be paid 1/4/23:

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| Peak Park Forum subscription | £12.00 |
| SPCA subscription | £78.87 |
| Stephen Mansfield | £41.69 |

12e It was agreed that the accounts would be reviewed at year end

12f Financial year end documents received. Stephen Mansfield has offered his assistance and AJ will produce a spreadsheet. Accounts have to be submitted by 30/06/23

13. Projects

13a SWT sewerage taken above (8d)

13b Passing place taken above (6)

13c New bench in Douse lane. AJ said that a Steve Billings quote for fixing the bench in place was £290. **Action AJ**

13d River Hamps is landowners responsibility with permission to be requested from SCC (for licence)

14. Highways: Nothing to report

15. Coronation Big Picnic update

Funding available from SMDC and has been applied for by AJ/SJ. A meeting of interested parties was held at Peter Hills (Chair), with June Walker for the chapel, Janet Stone for the Church, Stuart Jagers for the PC. Details are advertised in The Onecote Observer. There was some support for commemorative mugs for the children and it was agreed to fund up to 60 mugs.

16. AOB: None

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm. The date of the next meeting is 7.30pm on Tuesday 25th April in Onecote Village Hall