

## Parish Council Meeting 14th October 2019

Present : Chairman S Reynolds, Deputy Chairman T Flower and Parish Councillors M Lant, A Hall, K Farrell-Wright, M Simmons, P Martin and P Wynter. Also present 9 parishioners

Apologies – Cllrs Mary Colclough Stuart Barker and Richard Daws

Declarations – Members to declare any interests in matters for Discussion.

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 9th September 2019 – Approved and signed by the Chairman after adding a note to the “Wildflower Project” item – Management of Public Open Spaces will be handed over to Ogwell Brook Management Ltd in the future.

Report from County Councillor - Cllr. Barker gave his apologies. A Grant of £300.00 has now been received from DCC for the Wild Flower project.

Report from District Councillors - Cllrs Daws and Colclough gave apologies. Grants of £200.00 from both District Councillors have been received for the Wildflower project.

Report from PCSO – We were expecting a PCSO to attend as promised and will need to chase this up.

Planning Notifications - 19/00056/COND – Oak House West Ogwell –Appeal against conditions imposed on Planning Application 19/00987/VAR to allow ancillary building to become a separate dwelling. The Parish Council made no objection to the application to allow the building to become a separate dwelling – However TDC put conditions in place which are now being appealed. It was agreed that we had no additional comments to make.

Daws Close Play Area and Play Area on the Green–The rival tenders were discussed and images of the proposed Play Installations displayed. It was agreed that we would go with Rhino Play but we need full specifications and costings so that we can approach Teignbridge for the Section 106 monies.

It was mentioned that there may be money still available from the Section 106 allocation to use towards Matting for the Play Area on the Green and funding for Ogwell Football Club.

Defibrillator Training - A training session took place after the Parish Council Meeting attended by the Councillors and the Clerk.

Parking on the Green – Parishioners have expressed annoyance that the Car Park on the Green is monopolised by the owners of the property on the corner and wonder if the Parking should be limited and monitored in some way – It was agreed that as a first step we would search the Land Registry for any covenants re Parking and access before considering further.

Neighbourhood Plan – update action and proposals - It was agreed that we would do some research into the proposed cycle way to Newton Abbot which seems in abeyance and also look at the Footpaths ahead of the Annual Survey for Parish Paths.

Wild Flower Project We have received some objections to the appearance of the smaller Green now that mowing has been confined to pathways to allow the wild flowers already there to seed. On the other hand many more parishioners have expressed their approval of the project and it will continue. The next stage will be to cut the smaller Green and remove all the clippings and carry out the same procedure in the Spring. Thereafter the Green will be allowed to grow with just the paths cut. The Support of both County and District Councillors is shown by the Grants totalling £700.00 now received.

Climate Emergency – Cllr. Wynter reported that she is working with the Teignbridge Group and there is a plan to set up a Web-Site to co-ordinate ideas about protecting the environment. Further progress by the next Meeting as to the action Ogwell Parish Council can take.

Fair Committee request for storage on the Green It seems that the Fair Committee are now pursuing a Storage area away from the Green so this matter is now back in their hands.

Village Shop – progress on Steering Group a Meeting arranged for 16th October to consider options and proposals will be put to a future Parish Council Meeting if expenses arise in pursuing viable options.

**Paths and Highways** – Cllr Lant advised CPRE Membership is due for renewal.

Cllr Flower advised that he attended a Cycle Group Meeting and asked about the Cycle Path from Ogwell to Newton Abbot and was told that there was no present movement on getting this done – see also note above under “Neighbourhood Plan”

**Communications** - The possibility of another free Magazine was briefly discussed.

**Notice Boards** - The new Notice Boards are due this month.

**Web-site** – Cllr Farrell-Wright will be updating information as she gets the opportunity.

**Finance Report** – We are now paying Invoices online and the following payments have been made since the last Meeting.

Payments made by BACS and agreed since the last Meeting as follows – PKF Littlejohn £360.00 Annual Audit, Rita Hannaford £807.80 – Stipend for quarter to September 2019 HMRC - £202.00 Tax & NI on Stipend, Geosphere Ltd £54.00 Annual renewal of Online Mapping Licence.

Cheques written and agreed - Ogwell Hall Committee £42.00 Hire of Hall for Meetings Simon Jones £480.00 Grass-cutting, Hall Committee £57.70 Balance of costs for the Parish Celebrations.

The Annual Audit has been concluded with no Matters that need addressing and has been published on the main Notice Board.

**Urgent matters at the discretion of the Chairman** –

1.Feedback re Village Celebrations – Details of expenditure and receipts set out and a request that the Parish Council meet the shortfall of £57.70 – we agreed to underwrite the Celebrations up to £150.00 – cheque issued.

2. Request for s Grant towards Carpeting Devon and Jubilee Rooms – a report from the Hall Committee sets out the cost which will be in the region of £5,000. Monies amounting to £2450.00 have been raised from Devon Locality Fund, Fair Committee and Teignbridge Community Fund. It was proposed by Cllr. Hall, seconded by the Chairman and all agreed that we should give a Grant of £2,500.00 to allow the work to proceed.

3.Picnic Bench at Webber Close – This matter has been raised again – having made a donation towards a picnic table for the green space in Webber Close, other items have been added, to the dismay of some of the residents. We will put this item on the next Agenda.

**Date of Next Meeting** - Date of next Parish Council Meeting 11th November 2019

Chairman  
11th November 2019