

MINUTES FOR THE MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON MARCH 29th, 2016

Present were Eileen Mawle, Martin Wilson, Alan Wilson and Charles Mathew (OCC).

Apologies were received from David Taylor and from Peter Emery (WODC).

In the absence of the chairman and vice-chairman, Eileen Mawle was elected as temporary chairman.

There were no Declarations of Interest.

The minutes for the February meeting were signed as being a true record of proceedings.

MATTERS ARISING

Mason Arms - Nothing, except we understand WODC has given Mr. Rodger until 21st April to respond to the points raised in our latest letter.

Mobile phones - We are waiting for the EE representative and his colleagues to complete tests in the area and to decide when they will be able to come and discuss their findings with us.

Homans Farm - Although this has been reported to WODC enforcement dept. earlier, the garage with storage above remains intact. WODC will be contacted again as we understand this building is far more domestically provided for than is necessary for a garage and storage. It is setting a serious precedent for future development in the village. We would also like the pavement there reinstated.

CORRESPONDENCE

OCC plan to withdraw all bus subsidies in July. This will not affect us much as the stagecoach service along the main road will be unaffected. The Thursday Villager service (which very few people use) may be affected.

We have received a letter from Matthew Harris of 'A Clear Sign' offering to clean the road signs in the parish now that, he says, OCC have withdrawn this service. Similarly a letter from Will Pryse of 'Complete Weed Control' has arrived asking if we would like them to attend to the spraying of weeds on kerbs and neighbouring areas now that OCC no longer does this. It was decided to contact OCC as we have not been notified about this and enquire how much money they will forward to enable us to pay for these works.

Annual subscription request from OALC amounting to £133.07 received. Declined.

An application form to purchase commemorative medals for HM Queen Elizabeth II's 90th birthday has been received. Discussion followed if this is a sensible way to spend our money but the decision was made to go ahead. EM said she would compile a list of children under 16 years in the village and as the minimum order is 50, CM said our order could be added onto that of Stanton Harcourt. The cost is £1.99 each plus VAT.

AOB

The clerk was asked to contact Dan Weekes about improving the drainage of Bonds Lane where it seems the drainage system has become blocked.