Orlingbury Parish Council
Meeting held on 17th July 2023 at 7.30pm
in the Village Hall

Present:
Nigel Cole (Chair)
Mary Huckvale
Katy Cook
Brian Peacock
Shelley Chambers (Clerk)

Apologies: Matt Kemp, Chris Hartley

Public	**Public –** 3 members of the public present.	
	None	**Actions**
106/22 S	**Declarations of Interest**- None.	
107/22 S	**Approval of the minutes dated 25th May 2023 (sent out on 31st May 2023) and minutes dated 23rd June 2023 (sent out on 30th June 2023).** 2 sets of minutes to approve. June meeting (date to change on minutes). One date of future meeting needs changing due to drama group date (TBC in the future). All agreed and approved.	OPC SC to print – NC to sign. SC to change date on the minutes of June meeting.
108/22 S-	**Public Question Time (Max 3 mins per person at Chairperson's discretion)** -	
109/22 S	**Recommendations from VTA re trees (MK to update)** - Councillor Matt Kemp – Has been in touch with contact and will be calling again tomorrow to discuss and gain an update as to the tree issue. If they have to cut down a tree, they need permission from Felicity Webber. North Northants Council website – states no Tree Preservation Orders on the green, but this is most likely wrong as Wellingborough Council previously said there were. Records perhaps haven't been updated.	MK to confirm and update Nigel Cole via email with update.
110/22 S	**Update on the Speed Indication Device** Nigel Cole (NC) is chasing three quotes currently for additional devices. Once received, NC will send to councilors so that a decision can be made as to how to proceed.	NC to forward councilors quotes once received.

	Data has been downloaded and received by councillors. Data shows minimal speeding occurring, therefore the bulk of the traffic is within the speed limit. NC – Proposed that it is still a good idea to have three more cameras on the other roads leading into the village. Another three devices – roughly £8000 expected in cost. Brackets and licences are already in place for all three.	
111/22 S	**Highways re: new road marking and double yellow lines (update)** Email received from Highways stating: Regarding parking restrictions: 'please be advised that at present the three stages of consultations have taken place for 'The Green, Orlingbury' as part of the 2022-23 parking review and we are currently collating all responses to the sites that received comments within the Wellingborough area to allow for outcomes of these proposals to be taken forward via North Northamptonshire Council. We would hope to provide you with the outcome of this proposal, should there be any comments, in due course'. Regarding Dragon teeth markings: 'New Dragon teeth road markings, just prior to start of speed limit on roads, refurbishing of the edge lines and four '30' roundels will be completed by the 18th of September'. Regarding badger set signs (as in minutes of last meeting): 'we cannot install signs warning of a badger sett as we cannot draw attention to the location of the sett of a protected species due to the risk of illegal activity associated with them. If a badger sett is located ON a Public Right of Way, then it is likely that we will need to close it and arrange for permanent repairs under licence from Natural England. However, if the sett is adjacent to the line of any route, we will not be able to take any action'. Solution to badger sett – Could a small sign be installed to say 'beware – uneven ground'.	Brian Cox (BC) to possibly make a PVC/ alluminium sign
112/22 S	**Talking benches, pavements and no parking on grass sign (updates)** Matt Kemp (MK) has been unable to obtain a quote for this.	BC to seek signage for the talking benches.
113/22 S	**Ownership of the Village Green** It has been confirmed by Northants County Council (NCC) that the maintenance responsibility of the green is registered by NCC as Orlingbury Parish Council. In March, Nigel Cole (NC) received an offer to get the title to the green	SC to check the level of insurance and indemnities for public liability and personal accident.

	lodged at the Land Registry. NC wanted to discuss with other councilors before deciding. The process involves going to court and providing details of costs for maintaining the area – mowing, VTAs. Parish Council are already liable so it seems worth it, as It would roughly cost £100. The offer received was from another resident who works for a business/ charity who could help to complete the work at a favourable rate. All present were in favour of pursuing the enquiry.	BC to complete a risk assessment for the green. Registering the green – to be made a September Agenda item.
114/22 S	**Constitution for the Village Fete** SC has searched the archives currently help which date back to 2008. Alan Waller will help to find the constitution records or seek confirmation of records held.	
115/22 S	**Co-option of new councilor** Linda Crocker has lived in the village for 12 years – She is also the new treasurer to the Village Hall. NC proposed Linda to be opted as a new councilor. Katy Cook (KC) seconded - all in favour.	SC to send Linda the paperwork for joining as a councillor.
116/22 S	**Finance including payments and payments made** - See schedule below for payments made between meetings. - Discussion on broadband costs at the Village Hall. How much is it used? New quotes potentially. BT standard broadband.	
117/22 S	**Correspondence** - Policy cover renewal documents received 1st June 2023 - Update on appeal at America Farm - Internal audit completed and documents sent to PKF (21.6.23) - Kier Highways – surface repair works instructed on Isham Rd byway – levelled - Response from Highways (as mentioned above)	

118/22 S	**Planning Applications** None.	
119/22 S	**Unitary update** No updates.	
120/22 S	**Any other business** Mary Huckvale (MH) – The Scouts have planted and lost a tree. Concerns as an Oak tree shouldn't have been planted so close to property – this should be something smaller. NC has been to the spot where the tree was planted and can't see where the tree was. KC – There seem to be a number of Cigarette butts outside of the pub and coffee shop. Dog fouling is still bad in the village, particularly the track off of Isham Road. Dog faeces have also been spotted on the pavements too – outside the Old Forge. We need more signs. Do PC need to speak to someone for permission to get more signs? Steaks, board, signs – ask A complaint has been brough to the attention of the PC – planters on the public highway outside do not look nice although they are making a big difference to the pavements. PC has sought information - The Legal position is that the land is owned by Highways. Therefore, before going any further and if they are to remain, whomever is responsible for the planters should seek planning permission and insurance.	NC to speak to owner – could this be part of a routine to ensure pavements are clear. PC to enquire as to permissions and signage.

The next meeting to be held on 18th September 2023 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Meeting ended: 20.12

Chair's Signature……. Date……..

Payments agreed at meeting:

PAYMENT DUE/NAME	**AMOUNT**	**VAT**
PAYMENT MADE IN BETWEEN MEETINGS		
NCALC Membership	538.54	43.40
BHIB Insurance	350.53	0.00
Village hall hire	24	
Village Hall broadband	291.12	
Shelley Chambers	279.12	
SWALEC	49.24 53.72	0.00
GREATWELL HOMES	56.08	0.00
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