MINUTES OF THE SOULDERN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL

ON 27th April 2023

Present:

Members of the Public:

Nick Oakhill (NO) CHAIR John Hoodless (JH) Neal Ship (NS) Heidi Dennison (HD) Cathy Fleet (CF) CLERK

- 04.23.01 Apologies Apologies had been received from Alan Smith
- 04.23.02 Declarations of interest There were no declarations of interest

04.23.03 To receive the minutes of the last parish council meeting

The minutes of the parish council meeting held on 30th March 2023 were checked for accuracy and content, agreed as a true record of the meetings and signed by the chair.

04.23.04 Public participation

Members of the public were invited to participate

04.23.05 Clerks Report and Actions from previous meeting

| NO | ACTION | OWNER | UPDATE |
|--------------------------|--|-------|---|
| Dec22.02 | Car Park Ramp - Additional quotes will be obtained by AS | AS | AS has spoken to another builder and is awaiting a formal quote. A 3 rd quote has been requested. Feb23 - 3 quotes now received all around £1700-£2000. NO to obtain materials and speak to members of the Solstice Group. UPDATE 30/3/23 – NO will discuss with Solstice Group on 01/04/23 Ramp being done on Monday 8 th May – Action closed |
| Action closedDec22.05 | AS to confirm date of working party for the pipe in the pond with NO | AS | To be confirmed on Nick's return. Feb23 NO to organise working party. Organised for Saturday 1/4/23. Completed. Action closed |

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| Jan23.03 | Dogs in the Pond – HD to create a sign | HD | On-going. 30/3/23 in hand. Sign completed. Action closed |
|-----------|--|----|---|
| Feb23.03 | AS to action 20mph limit | AS | ON GOING – AS to action |
| Feb23.04 | NO to action barrier for carpark | NO | Being done 31/3/23. No visisted Collins Engineering – cost would be £3+. Could be ordered online for less. Richard Kyte may be able to fabricate it – NO to ask him. |
| Feb 23.05 | AS to order replacement signs | AS | In hand |
| Mar23.01 | Planning - As to draft objection to Timber Cottage application for CF to submit to CDC | AS | |
| Mar23.02 | NO to respond to Nigel Prickett agreeing price increase and requesting that he strims hedges and ditches in Church Lane. | NO | First cut done + additional areas. Action closed. |

04.23.06 Election update

All councillors have been re-elected. NO has spoken to an interested party who may be willing to be co-opted after July, and will update NO. AS has also spoken to someone who may be interested

04.23.07 Playground update

Applications have been submitted to Viridor (Valencia Community Fund) and HS2 (Groundworks Community Environment Fund and the results of these applications should be known in May. Other applications for funding will be made

04.23.08 Village Upkeep update

Souldern United Charities to update

04.23.09 Football Club

There was discussion regarding the football pitch which has existed in the village since the 1920s but there is no longer a football team in the village. The pitch is now used regularly by Brackley Town youth team.

AS had discussed the renewal of the contract which expires in July 2023 with Andy Thompson of BTFC and the following terms had been suggested:

- A new 5 year agreement from July 2023
- Male youth and ladies teams to use the pitch.
- Changing rooms to be painted inside every 2 years starting in year 1 of the new agreement
- Fees will be increased each year
 - Year 1 £500
 - Year 2 £550
 - Year 3 £600
 - Year 4 £650
 - Year 5 £700

Parish Clerk : Cathy Fleet Westfield Farm Cottage, Fenway, Steeple Aston, Bicester, Oxfordshire, OX25 4SS Tel: 01869 347000 Mobile : 07989 398 838 It was agreed that NO should do further research into local football pitches and charges made for comparison purposes.

04.23.10 Planning

23/101030/TCA Alley Cottage, The Hill Nol Treework - NO OBJECTION

05.18.10 Finance

Paidby standing order

| Payee | Detail | Total £s | VAT | Comments |
|----------------|--------------|----------|-----|----------|
| | | | | |
| Cathy Fleet | Clerk Salary | 126.29 | 0.0 | |
| HMRC | (re above) | 25.07 | 0.0 | |
| Invoices to be | approved | , | | · |

| Рауее | Detail | Total £s | VAT | Comments |
|-------|----------|----------|-------|----------|
| CDC | Dog Bins | 190.48 | 31.75 | |

Receipts received

| | Detail | Total £s | VAT | Comments | |
|----------------------|---------------------|----------|-----|----------|--|
| CDC | Precept | 3197.50 | | | |
| occ | Grass Cutting Grant | 440.85 | | | |
| Cash – Playground | Donations | 1127.04 | | | |

Other matters

Coronation Jubilee Big Lunch - the Solstice Group have bought outdoor games for children funded by a grant from CDC which has been done in the name of the PC. They should appear on the PC asset register and it should be known that they are available for use throughout the village. **NS to add to Asset Register**

Dates for 2023 - last Thursday of the month

25th May 24rd May 7pm in the small VH meeting room 29th June 27th July 31st August 28th September 29, 26th October 23rd November 28th December

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Signed Chair, Souldern Parish Council

Date

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| April23.01 | NO should do further research into local football pitches and charges made for comparison purposes. | NO | |
| April23.02 | NS to add outdoor garden games to Asset Register | NS | |