



THE CAUSEWAY

STEVENTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Steventon Parish Council Meeting was held on Tuesday 6th June 2023 at 7pm in the Millennium room of the Village Hall.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Mr J Bennett

2. PRESENT

Dr C Wilding, Chair, Mrs S Broadbent, Mr J Clark, Ms L Perkins, Mr J Rice, Mr R Wilkinson and Mr M Stimpson-Tame. Mrs A Einon (Parish Clerk) and Cllr Sally Povolotsky(OCC & VWHDC) were in attendance. The meeting was joined by eight members of the public.

3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND OTHER DECLARATIONS

To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests, and other declarations, in respect of items on the agenda for this meeting.

Ms L Perkins had an interest in item 10.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

4.1. SPEEDWATCH

The Steventon speedwatch group has now been operating for nearly a year. It is run by 14 volunteers who give up some 20 hours of their time on a weekly basis. During this time 397 vehicles have exceeded speed limits and been reported to the DVLA. Of those exceeding the speed limits some 11 were found not to have an MOT. The Parish Council thanks the speedwatch team for the invaluable work they are doing. Harwell had a person who was able to incorporate and report on the data from the SIDs. These would have to be reprogrammed when the 20mph was activated in the village.

4.2. LITTER BINS

Measurements from the bins were not yet available.

5. REPORT FROM ANY COUNTY OR DISTRICT COUNCILLOR IN ATTENDANCE

County. There is a new Chief Executive at OCC there have been lots of resignations recently. He is doing a tour with Sally on 10th July. Rowstock phase 1 to start this year. Milton Heights footbridge has been removed from the plan. Upgrade to the cinder track is under discussion. Flooding issues the Environment Agency have cleared the problem at Milton of a wrong sluice gate installation.

District. Sally has resigned her seat as a cabinet member and is now chair of cabinet, a nonpolitical position. An Environmental Impact assessment has been requested from Thames Water. The Gladman planning application stating insufficient housing provision for five years is incorrect. The Vale has a six and a half year housing provision.

Arrangements have been made to close the area of the war memorial on 11th November to enable the armistice service to be held safely.

6. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 9th May, were accepted as a true record.

Proposed: Mr Clark Seconded: Mrs Broadbent

7. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING – REPORTS ON ACTIONS

Dr Wilding welcomed John Rice who had been coopted onto the Parish Council under the 35 day rule

7.1. BURIAL GROUND

The working group had met on 23rd April. The headstones had been checked and no new problems had been found. The skip had been delivered and the bin emptied.

7.2. PLAY AREA

Mrs Denton who had not stood for re-election used to check the play area on a weekly basis for any problems. A volunteer was required to take on this duty. Mr Rice volunteered.

7.3. VILLAGE INFRASTRUCTURE

Outstanding item of allocation areas to councillors. Mr Clark with the Clerk would work on a map for consideration.
Action 1/6/23: Mr Clark/Clerk

7.4. S106 ART

The village map required a weatherproof Perspex cover. Mr Clark agreed to measure the size required.
Action 2/6/23: Mr Clark

8. PLANNING MATTERS

8.1. APPLICATIONS

8.1.1 [P23/V1109/DIS](#) 15 The Causeway Steventon Abingdon OX13 6SE

Discharge of condition 4(Surface Water Drainage) on planning application P22/V1437/HH Two storey rear and side extension, with replacement front porch.

8.1.2 [P23/V1099/SCR](#) Site to the south of Hanney Road on land at Cow Common OX13 6AP

EIA Screening Opinion Request. Formation of a clay compaction trial for a temporary period for up to 3 years, with associated works.

No response requested but difficult to see how such a small sample could give data for the area of the proposed reservoir.

8.1.3 [P23/V0897/HH](#) Southview Cottage 9 Little Lane The Causeway Steventon OX13 6SH

Erect side extension set back from front elevation to provide new bedroom and bathroom.

No objection

8.1.4 [P23/V0909/MPO](#) 24-28 (even) 50-58 (even) Barnett Road and 1-11 (odd) 15-19 (odd) and 25 Fuller Way Steventon Abingdon OX13

Modification of the Planning Obligation under S106 agreement dated 25th April 2013 made between (1) Vale Of White Horse District Council (2) Robert William Tyrrell (3) Gladman Development Limited (4) Jennifer Marion Baker in relation to land at Barnett Road, Steventon, Oxfordshire. Planning Reference P13/V0094/O

Unable to respond as not clear what the effect of this will be. Clerk to enquire on the effect if it would reduce the number of affordable houses.

Action 3/6/23: Clerk

8.1.5 [P22/V1425/FUL](#) 2A, 2, 6 and 6A High Street Steventon Abingdon OX13 6RS

Retention of the single storey barn, demolition of other existing buildings, and mixed use redevelopment comprise erection of a 3-storey building to the rear, a 2.5 storey building fronting the High Street and a single storey extension to the barn to provide no.13 x residential units (Class C3) and no.2 x Commercial, Business and Service (Use Class E) units, ancillary floorspace, car parking, cycle parking, landscaping, refuse and recycling storage and associated works.

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In addition to our previous comments. The swept path illustrates lorries on the wrong side of the road to access a narrow area. This can only be by a very careful driver not the normal delivery person who will be crossing the curbs and encroaching on the grade II* listed Causeway adjacent. Surely this illustrates the totally unsuitable parking and access proposed, residents of the village exiting the Causeway to be confronted by a lorry on the wrong side of the road.

Provision of parking by use of a turntable which only has a 2-5 year warranty does not future proof the development. Previous maintenance concerns still stand.

8.1.6 [P23/V1247/O](#) Land off Abingdon Road Steventon OX13 6FX

Outline planning application for up to 80 residential dwellings (including up to 35% affordable housing), and 0.27 hectares for C2 use as a residential care home. The introduction of structural planting and landscaping, public open space and children's play area, sustainable urban drainage system, and associated ancillary works. All matters to be reserved with the exception of the main site access.

Steventon Parish Council object to the application.

This is a previously rejected application, without updating the statements which are no longer true or relevant. Planning argument based on lack of five year supply of housing sites by the Vale. The Vale currently has in excess of six years housing supply sites. Facilities in the area have reduced not increased since the original application. Provision for a care home which is not needed, and the wrong place, residents would have to be fit enough to use the bus to get anywhere. There is only one shop in the village and are far from amenities such as dentist, doctor, etc. Care provision of this type in the Vale and South Oxon already exceeds capacity and is used to house asylum seekers. A large building at the entrance to the village will change the character entirely and reduce the gap between Steventon and Drayton eroding its identity.

A very similar application was refused in 2016 **P16/V1954/O** and again in 2022 **P21/V2622/O**. The reasons for rejection in 2016 still hold true:

“This is an unallocated site beyond the built up area of the village extending into the open countryside, which does not accord with the District's strategy for growth, and when considered cumulatively with other permitted developments in Steventon, results in demonstrable harm to the character of the village, and an overburden on village infrastructure. This is contrary to saved Policies GS1, GS2, DC1 and DC8 of the Local Plan 2011, Core Policy 3, Core Policy 4, Core Policy 8, and Core Policy 44 of the emerging Local Plan 2031 Part One and advice within the NPPF, and in particular the advice in Paragraphs 17 and 70. The proposal would generate a need for school places, which are unlikely to be able to be accommodated at the village school (St Michael's CE Primary School), which cannot be further expanded, causing the following demonstrable harm:- · Children who might otherwise have been able to attend St Michael's Primary School would be displaced to other schools, chiefly St Blaise CE Primary School and Drayton Primary School, increasing the need for their expansion. · Children moving into the village already of school age may not be able to secure a place at the school, and have to travel to an alternative, which is unsustainable in transport terms. · Future families living outside the catchment area would be unlikely to be able to secure a place at the school. In some cases this may result in siblings having to attend different schools, which will increase traffic. The proposal therefore represents an unsustainable form of development, both in social and traffic impact terms, brought about through the lack of the necessary social and physical infrastructure needed by future occupants of the site, which does not accord with the District's strategy for growth. This social and traffic impact cannot currently be mitigated through the provision of a financial contribution, because the village school is at capacity, not capable of further expansion, and no new school site has been identified in the village. The proposal is therefore contrary to saved Policies GS1, GS2, DC1, DC5 and DC8 of the Local Plan 2011, Core Policy 3, Core Policy 4, Core Policy 7, Core Policy 8, and Core Policy 33 of the emerging Local Plan 2031 Part One and advice within the NPPF, and in particular the advice in Paragraphs 17, 70 and 72.”

9. ITEMS FROM RISK ASSESSMENT ACTION SCHEDULE

Items from the risk assessment action register

9.1. Publication Scheme under the Freedom of Information Act.

The scheme was approved for a further year.

9.2. Review Register of Ownership annually.

The register of land owned was circulated. The application by the Clerk to register the village greens had been submitted in November, acknowledged but no further response.

PROPOSED ADVERTISING SIGNS ON CRICKET NETS

Illustrations of the type of advertising required had been circulated to the Parish Council. Consideration and discussion ensued, and it was agreed that no advertising would be supported anywhere on the village greens. Advertising in the vicinity of the greens had been raised previously at Parish Council meetings and residents had been vociferous in their dislike. The Clerk to write to the Cricket Club with copy to Sports and Social Club.

Action 4/6/23: Clerk

WORKING GROUP, SUB-COMMITTEE AND REPRESENTATIVES ACTIVITIES

11.1. Finance and General Purposes Committee JB,SB, JC, JR, CW, Clerk

Not met.

11.2. Planning Committee – Parish Council members.

Not met

11.3. Burial Ground JC, MST, RW, Clerk

Not met

11.4. Human Resources CW,SB, JR, RW

Not met

11.5. Recreation and Open Spaces – Trees, Greens, Waterways, Footpaths, Playground, Sports Hall.

SB, JC, JR, LP, MST, CW

Not met

11.5.1. Sports Hall Funds (Alternative uses) CW, SB, JC, JR, MST

Dave Cookson researching available funds had contact with Linden's, David Wilson and Miller homes. Linden and David Wilson agreed the Eco Park alternative. Miller Homes yet to respond. Mr Stimpson-Tame to get an updated quote on the plan. They had also agreed to the Village Hall and Sports and Social club parts of the plan.

11.5.2. Little Green

Mr Stimpson-Tame working on a plan..

11.6. Village Infrastructure & Resilience – Railway, Roads, Drains JB, JR, CW.

11.7. Sarinc RW

Major refurbishments were in progress to St Michael's house to get ready for a new tenant.

11.8. Neighbourhood Plan. JC, LP, CW, Clerk, and volunteers: Caroline Miller, Nick Thompson

Ready to go after the holiday, views and vistas completed, consultation statement and paragraph numbering still in progress.

11.9. S106 Art working group CW, JC, SB, Clerk, Abi Brown (Vale), volunteer Lin Dewsnap

The benches application has been agreed in principle we can now proceed to the financial aspect.

11.10. Other representative reports

11.10.1. Milton Park Forum. CW, JR

Meeting due on the 20th

11.10.2. Causeway Trust JC

FINANCE Financial report 2023-24

The financial report was discussed and approved.

Proposed: Mr Clark Seconded: Mr Wilkinson

12.2. Annual return 2022-23

12.2.1. section 1

The contents of section 1 was agreed and signed.

12.2.2. section 2

The contents of section 2 was agreed and signed

12.3. Cheques for Signature

CORRESPONDENCE

13.1. Received

10/05/2023	E	John Rice	Application to be co-opted		
10/05/2023	E	Gemma Tindsley	FW: Volunteers Week 1st - 7th June 2023! Nominate		
10/05/2023	E	Christopher Wilding	Gate 2 Draft Decisions. Response from Steventon P	2	
10/05/2023	E	Becky Crockett	Membership Event: Long Mead nr Eynsham - Summer		
10/05/2023	E	Parish council	Re: Application to be co-opted into Steventon Parish	5	
11/05/2023	E	NALC	STAR COUNCIL AWARDS 2023	4	
11/05/2023	E	Derek Stork	GARD Response to Ofwat/RAPID Gate 2 draft Decisio		
11/05/2023	E	registration	Planning Consultation - P23/V0897/HH		
11/05/2023	E	RAPID	Re: GARD Response to Ofwat/RAPID Gate 2 draft Dec	3	
11/05/2023	E	Steventon News	Re: Parish Council report for June attach		
12/05/2023	E	NALC	CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S BULLETIN	13	
12/05/2023	E	Neighbourhood Alert	Need to safely dispose of unwanted knives? [#1088		
12/05/2023	E	Cookson, David	P23V0523 Steventon Benches S106 Application		
12/05/2023	E	Christopher Wilding	Re: P23V0523 Steventon Benches S106 Application		
12/05/2023	E	lucy perkins	Re: Training and Events		
12/05/2023	E	Cllr Jenny Hannaby	Re: UE weekly update Friday w/e 12th of May 2023		
13/05/2023	E	playsafety	Notification of play area inspection in July for		
13/05/2023	E	registration	Planning Decision Notice - P23/V0494/LDP		
15/05/2023	E	OALC	OALC Essentials of employment training - book now	4	
15/05/2023	E	Vermeulen, Georgia OCC	Smokefree Community Fund -£1000 available!		
15/05/2023	E	Lee Rawlins	Steventon Parish Magazine		
16/05/2023	E	didcotgardentown	Everyone Active Grant now available		
16/05/2023	E	Society of Local Council Cler	Your SLCC Membership Renewal Notice		
17/05/2023	E	Gareth Keymer	FW: Grave space		
18/05/2023	E	Lynda Moore	Championing our Local countryside - meeting invit		
19/05/2023	E	Oxfordshire Neighbourhood	ONPA May 2023 News		
19/05/2023	E	Communications	Press release: Have a splashing good time across		
19/05/2023	E	Thames Valley Alert	Thames Valley Police statistics show nearly 1 mil		
22/05/2023	E	Climate Action	Vale Climate Action Fund - Open for applications		
23/05/2023	E	Mark Bond	1 The Green, Steventon, Abingdon, Oxfordshire, OX		*
23/05/2023	E	Lombard, Hilary	Didcot Nature Pledge		
23/05/2023	E	Povolotsky, Sally	Fw: Press release - Â£100,000 now available for co		
23/05/2023	E	sarinc	Grass cutting		
23/05/2023	E	Society of Local Council Cler	News Bulletin - 23 May 2023	2	
23/05/2023	E	Communications	Press release - Â£100,000 now available for commun		
23/05/2023	E	Reeves Memorials	Re: David Jarvis Memorial Application		
23/05/2023	E	Pyle, Alexandra	Re: Waste facility tours		
24/05/2023	E	Grants	£100,000 now available for community climate proj		
24/05/2023	E	Jane Olds	Oxfordshire SLCC - June 23 Branch Catchup		
24/05/2023	E	Communications	Press release: Comedy, crafts and a whole lot of		
25/05/2023	E	Martin Stimpson-Tame	Damaged pavement on Stonebridge Road		
25/05/2023	E	Waste Team southandvale	Deep Cleanse Services - Steventon 31/07/2023 to 0		
25/05/2023	E	Martin Stimpson-Tame	Re: Damaged pavement on Stonebridge Road		
26/05/2023	E	Rachel Groves	Thames Water Update		
26/05/2023	E	Fras, Ewa OCC	UE update, week ending Friday 26/05/2023	2	
26/05/2023	E	Povolotsky, Sally	Useful meeting, please share		

26/05/2023	E	VWHDC	Vale News - May 2023 - Parishes		
28/05/2023	E	Martin Stimpson-Tame	Co opt		
28/05/2023	E	John Clark	Re: Sign restoration		
28/05/2023	E	Martin Stimpson-Tame	Sign restoration		
29/05/2023	E	Christopher Wilding	Consultation statement		
29/05/2023	E	Alison Jarratt	Re: Year end		
30/05/2023	E	Christopher Wilding	Enforcement Officer reply		
30/05/2023	E	CPRE Oxfordshire	May Newsletter: Join our call for a Rooftop Revol		
30/05/2023	E	Christopher Wilding	P23V0523 Steventon Benches S106 Application		
30/05/2023	E	Corrigan, Steven	Re: Register of interest forms and election expenses		
30/05/2023	E	Corrigan, Steven	Register of interest forms and election expenses		
30/05/2023	E	Gov.uk Team	VAT claim confirmation		
31/05/2023	E	Povolotsky, Sally	Anaerobic Digester - Planning application P22/V29		
31/05/2023	E	Christopher Wilding	Fwd: Eco-park	2	
31/05/2023	E	Christopher Wilding	Fwd: P23V0523 Steventon Benches S106 Application	2	
31/05/2023	E	Communications	Press release: Free fun for all at The Beaconâ€™s O		
31/05/2023	E	Parish council	Re: Advertising on the green	5	
31/05/2023	E	Cookson, David	Re: Eco-park	2	
31/05/2023	E	Cookson, David	Re: P23V0523 Steventon Benches S106 Application		
31/05/2023	E	Thames Valley Alert	Slow down this summer: Thames Valley Police urges		
31/05/2023	E	Christopher Wilding	Steventon Cricket Club advertising		*
01/06/2023	E	electoralregistration	Electoral Register Monthly Changes		
01/06/2023	E	Sheenagh Broadbent	Fwd: Planning Consultation - P23/V1247/O - STV		
01/06/2023	E	registration	Planning Consultation - P23/V1247/O		
01/06/2023	E	Sheenagh Broadbent	Re: Enforcement Officer reply		
01/06/2023	E	Martin Stimpson-Tame	Re: Planning Consultation - P23/V1247/O - STV		
01/06/2023	E	Mark Bradfield	£100,000 now available for commun		
01/06/2023	E	Democratic Services	Re: Register of interest		
01/06/2023	E	Christopher Wilding	Re: S106 Funds		
01/06/2023	E	Wendy Bates	S106 Funds		
01/06/2023	E	Stuart & Louise Brockman	Speedwatch data - May 2023		
02/06/2023	E	Joe Bennett	Apologies		
02/06/2023	E	Christopher Wilding	Cricket club signs		
02/06/2023	E	Carter fd	FW: Memorial application t/l Malcolm Bonner		
02/06/2023	E	Sheenagh Broadbent	Re: Revised Agenda		
04/06/2023	E	Phil Brew	Works completed		
05/06/2023	E	ClIrr Sally Povolotsky	FW: Application P23/V1247/O	2	
05/06/2023	E	Communications	Press release: Didcot Garden Party has something		
05/06/2023	E	ClIrr Sally Povolotsky	Re: Application P22/V1425/FUL		
05/06/2023	E	Planning Consultations -	Re: Application P22/V1425/FUL		
05/06/2023	E	ClIrr Sally Povolotsky	Re: Stonebridge Road - Steventon		
06/06/2023	E	Stuart & Louise Brockman	Re: Speedwatch data - May 2023		
06/06/2023	E	G Ayres	The Green - repairs		
06/06/2023	E	membership@slcc.co.uk	Your Society Membership Renewal		

13.1.1. Communication from Sovereign Housing concerning 1 The Green.
Mark Bond had requested that the Parish Council confirm ownership of the land to the front and to commit to repairs. The road onto the Little Green is maintained by the Parish Council to

the level of an access track not that of a highway. Repairs to potholes are in hand but not access to properties.

13.1.2. Steventon Cricket club discussed under Agenda item 10 above.

13.2. Sent

10/05/2023	E	John Clark	Re: Register of Interests	
11/05/2023	E	Christopher Wilding	Re: Parish Report	
12/05/2023	E	Parish Council	Potholes	
12/05/2023	E	John Rice	Re: Application to be co-opted into Steventon Parish	3
23/05/2023	E	Gareth Keymer	Re: FW: Grave space	
23/05/2023	E	Reeves Memorials	Re: David Jarvis Memorial Application	
23/05/2023	E	Steven Corrigan	Cooption of Parish Councillor	
23/05/2023	E	Steventon News	Fwd: Steventon Parish Magazine	
25/05/2023	E	Parish Council	Reminder Register of interest forms	
25/05/2023	E	Joe Bennett	Re: Reminder Register of interest forms	
25/05/2023	E	Martin Stimpson-Tame	Re: Damaged pavement on Stonebridge Road	
25/05/2023	E	matthew.timms	Fwd: Damaged pavement on Stonebridge Road	
28/05/2023	E	Martin Stimpson-Tame	Re: Co opt	
29/05/2023	E	Alison Jarratt	Year end	
29/05/2023	E	Alison Jarratt	Re: Year end	
29/05/2023	E	Christopher Wilding	Re: Consultation statement	
30/05/2023	E	Corrigan, Steven	Re: Register of interest forms and election expenses	
30/05/2023	E	Parish Council	Register of interest	
31/05/2023	E	Christopher Wilding	Re: Fwd: Eco-park	
31/05/2023	E	Parish Council	Advertising on the green	
31/05/2023	E	Parish Council	Meeting 6th June 2023	
31/05/2023	E	Cllr Sally Povolotsky	Meeting Tuesday 6th June	
31/05/2023	E	Cllr Sheenagh Broadbent	Fwd: Enforcement Officer reply	
31/05/2023	E	Martin Stimpson-Tame	Re: Register of interest	
01/06/2023	E	Rees, Elliot ,	Re: VE21/175 -43 St Michaels Way OX13 6BA -Without	
02/06/2023	E	Angela Einon	map	
02/06/2023	E	edcarterfd	Re: FW: Memorial application t/l Malcolm Bonner	
02/06/2023	E	Parish Council	Revised Agenda	
02/06/2023	E	Sheenagh Broadbent	Re: Revised Agenda	
04/06/2023	E	Alison Jarratt	Re: Year end	
06/06/2023	E	Parish Council	Speedwatch	
06/06/2023	E	Louise Brockman	Re: Speedwatch data - May 2023	

MATTERS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

Horses still using the footpaths in the Copse. Mr Rice agreed to speak to the riders.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Parish Council meeting to be held 4th July 2023 in the Millennium room of the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.02 pm.

APPROVAL Signed as a true record of the Meeting:

Name: Dr C Wilding

Position: Chair of the Parish Council

Signature:

Date: 4th July 2023