

**Minutes of the Meeting of Othery Parish Council  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 7:30 pm in Othery Village Hall**

- 1 **Apologies:** Cllrs Jennings and C Jones.
- 2 **Declarations of Interest:** These will always be declared at the agenda item when appropriate.
- 3 **Certifying the minutes of the meetings held on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021 and 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021:** Agreed as a true record of the meetings.
- 4 **Public question time and Neighbourhood Watch/Crime report and an update from Cllr David Huxtable:** Updates emailed: No reports since the last meeting.
- 5 **Matters Arising:**
  - Cemetery expansion:** The Parish Council need to be sure of the line of the expansion and at the moment the clerk cannot find any paperwork from the last clerk who left in 2000 about the purchase. **The clerk will speak with Mervyn Winslade to see what he can remember before we have a site meeting.**
  - Highways Issues:** The clerk is still waiting for a reply on two issues. He will ask highways again for an update.
  - Community Speed Watch:** As Cllr C Jones could not be present there is no update but the clerk did contact PCSO Supervisor Sharon Baker who asked headquarters to speed up Cllr C Jones' vetting.
  - WebSite:** Cllr V Jones has obtained quotes one of which starting at £1,200.00 was thought to be too expensive. The clerk is in contact with another Web Designer, and he will have a dialogue with him and pass on the information to Cllr V Jones.
  - Parking on pavements:** As the law has not changed the police have very limited powers but as Cllr Soutar suggested the Parish Council would be entitled to put polite notices on residents' cars which apparently is done in other areas.
  - Village Hall Grant:** The grant from SCC administered by SALC was applied for by the Parish Council on behalf of the Village Hall as is required and already the clerk has been notified that £1,500.00 has already been granted with another £5,000.00 pending.
- 6 **Highway matters:** Nothing to report.
- 7 **Playing Field:** All in order and Cllr Betty has asked Richard to cut the hedge when he is out cutting his own hedges.
- 8 **Cemetery:** All looking very tidy.
- 9 **Planning notice:** The Parish Council have to review Orchard Farm now that the missing document has been provided. Cllrs Betty: Jennings: and V Jones will not attend a meeting because they have prejudicial interests. **The clerk and chair will look at their diaries and set a date which will be posted on the noticeboard.**
- 10 **Financial Matters:**

<b><u>Expenditure:</u></b>	Salary	£ 255.46
	Village Hall	£ 35.00
<b><u>Income:</u></b>	Precept	£4900.00
- 11 **Correspondence:**

**12 Correspondence for Circulation: Already circulated by email:**

**13 Urgent Matters at the discretion of the Chairman:** It is felt that the SID needs a slight change of angle so that it picks up vehicles earlier. **The clerk will pass this to Cllr Jennings.**

After a debate on charitable donations it was agreed that this year a donation of £25 would be made to the Royal British Legion and The Alzheimer's society as Dan Wright ran the London Marathon for that charity finishing in four and a half hours..

**14 Date and time of the next meeting: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021 7:30 Parish Council Meeting.**