

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SHIPLAKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN
SHIPLAKE MEMORIAL HALL
ON MONDAY DECEMBER 14TH 2015 AT 7.45 P.M.**

- 1. PRESENT** Mr T Taylor (Chair) Mr G Thomas, Mr R Head, Mr C Smith, Mr M Leonard, Mr D Pheasant, Mr R Curtis, Mr W Hall (DC) Mr P Harrison, (DC) and Mr D Bartholomew(OCC): Mr F Maroudas and Mr G Davies sent apologies. 15 members of the Public.
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF GIFTS & INTEREST.** Councillors will be given the opportunity to declare any gifts or interest in any item on the Agenda. None declared.
- 3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY OCTOBER 12th 2015** were approved on a motion proposed by Mr D Pheasant and seconded by Mr R Curtis.
- 4. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**
 - 1.SOHA Clerk requested to chase up contact with SOHA requesting a meeting for a status update on SHH site ACTION: Clerk
 - 2.AONB Clerk requested to follow up with Mr J Howell MP on an update to status of AONB enquiry ACTION: Clerk

5. POLICE MATTERS.

November Report from PCSO Ashley Richardson

Date	URN	Issue	Result
01/10/15	1108	Vehicle parked at the railway station was hit by a vehicle, and did not stop to leave details etc. Reported to police and enquiries are on-going.	Ongoing enquiries
17/10/15	327	A4155 Deer hit and in the road, car needed recovery, but off the road and not causing obstruction. (location was not any more specific as to where this happened)	Vehicle recovered, no problems and no further action
28/10/15	1008	Cows in the road on the A4155 blocking the road.	Police attended but cows had walked off the road no serious issues.

6. O.C.C. Cllr D Bartholomew.

GENERAL OCC REPORT November 2015

1.BUDGET CONSULTATION

OCC has launched a public consultation on options for saving money. It has already saved or has firm plans to save nearly £300m since 2010 but believes it needs to find another £50m of savings over the next four years. As well as receiving less money from government, the council faces rising demand for services – particularly for vulnerable adults and children at risk of abuse and neglect. About half OCC's budget is spent on 2% of the population of Oxfordshire, and that proportion is set to rise to as a result of a growing aging population. Talking Oxfordshire, the council's budget consultation, started on 20 October, when all the savings options were published on the council's website. It will close on 30 November.

Three public events have been held with an independent chair alongside the leader and chief finance officer. To take part in the consultation online go to www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/budget. Hard copies of the budget consultation documents are also available in every library.

2.CHILDREN'S CENTRE AND EARLY INTERVENTION CHANGES

OCC is also asking for views on its proposal to adopt a new model of children's services in Oxfordshire for children aged 0-19 to save £8 million from the budget by 2016-17. The proposal is to create a brand new service for families and their children aged 0-19 years old, or up to 25 if the child has additional needs. The consultation runs until 23:59 on 10 January 2016.

OCC would open up to eight new Children and Family Centres across Oxfordshire. These centres would support children and their families who need help and will integrate the work of the Children's Centres, the Early Intervention Hubs and Children's Social Care. As well as the new Children and Family Centres OCC would also provide an outreach service so children and

families can be supported close to where they live. Furthermore, OCC would work with schools, health and other services to ensure that children and families get the help that they need. As part of the consultation process OCC would like to identify any potential impact of this proposal. OCC would also like to identify options for the future use of the Children's Centres and Early Intervention Hub buildings. Options about how universal services could continue to be run without financial support from OCC are also to be considered. Hard copies of the consultation are available at all children's centres and early intervention hubs. There will also be three open meetings to discuss the proposals. The events are 6-7.30pm and dates are:

- 18 November - Kings Centre, Osney Mead, Oxford OX2 0ES
- 23 November - Didcot Civic Centre, Britwell Road, Didcot, OX11 7JN
- 30 November - John Paul II Centre, Causeway, Bicester OX26 6AW

3. OXFORDSHIRE TOGETHER – SUCCESSFUL LAUNCH EVENT FOR PARISH COUNCILS

The way public services are delivered will shift towards enabling people and communities to take ownership of local priorities. OCC will continue to provide community leadership and foster partnership working, but the days when the council could deliver all services to all people have gone. OCC has started talking to town and parish councils to identify opportunities to work together. An initial engagement event for town and parish councils took place on 21st September. OCC's vision for working together is outlined in Oxfordshire Together – the Model booklet, with further details on some of the initial services in scope included in the Transitional Offer of Highway Services booklet. Both can be found at www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/oxfordshiretogether. The programme timetable is:

September – December

- Initial discussion with town and parish councils.
- Engagement with town and parish councils interested in taking on delivery of some services to develop agreements.

January - April 2016

- Implementation of the first 'tranche' of agreements April 2016 onwards
- Review viability of approach and consider further roll out.

4. BETTER BROADBAND FOR OXFORDSHIRE – UPDATE

OCC is on track to achieve the target – agreed back in 2013 – of connecting 64,500 homes and businesses with superfast broadband by the end of 2015. By the end of August OCC had enabled over 56,000 premises to be connected to superfast (24mbps) broadband, and expects to reach the goal of 64,500 premises by the end of the year, on time and within budget.

5. FREE WI-FI IN LIBRARIES

OCC has been awarded more than £86,000 by Arts Council England for Wi-Fi to be installed in the 28 Oxfordshire libraries that currently do not have it (it is already installed in 15 of the county's 43 libraries). This is one-off grant from the Arts Council. It is therefore not a substitute for money that may be saved from the Library Service's annual revenue budgets in future years as part of the council's 2016-20 budget savings options. Installation will take place early 2016.

SPECIFIC REPORT FOR SHIPLAKE

6. SIGNAGE ISSUES: FOOTPATHS 7 & 36 AND MILL LANE RESTRICTED BYWAY

On-going. I will update the PC at the December meeting.

7. STATUS OF A4155 THROUGH SHIPLAKE IN RESPECT OF SAFETY ISSUES

On-going. I will update the PC at the December meeting.

8. CYCLEPATH BETWEEN HENLEY AND SHIPLAKE

On-going. I will update the PC at the December meeting.

9. BLANKET 20MPH LIMIT

On-going. Councillor Thomas is up to date with latest information.

GENERAL OCC REPORT December 2015

10. AUTUMN STATEMENT/COMPREHENSIVE SPENDING REVIEW – IMPACT ON OCC

Chancellor George Osborne delivered his Autumn Statement on Wednesday 25 November, including details of the Comprehensive Spending Review (CSR). The CSR confirmed that core Central Government funding (comprising business rates and revenue support grant) to Local

Government will fall by 24% in real terms over the next four years. When taking into account Office of Budget Responsibility forecasts of other income raised locally by councils, the overall position is a 6.7% real terms reduction, which means difficult decisions will have to be taken by OCC when preparing the forthcoming budget after full details of the Local Government Settlement have been received. Key CSR announcements were:

1. Local authorities responsible for adult social care (which includes OCC) would be given the option to increase Council Tax by 2% to fund the increased costs of adult social care associated with the new National Living Wage. This is in addition to the 2% increase councils are permitted without a referendum, meaning OCC can now consider a 4% rise in Council Tax. However, this has to be seen in the context that most OCC residents will not have had a 4% wage rise.
2. An additional £1.5bn of funding for Local Government from the Better Care Fund will be made available by 2019-20. This must be considered against the background of an ageing population and a 94% increase in demand for home care since 2011, with similar increases expected over the coming years.
3. Ring-fencing of the public health grant will continue in 2016/7 and 2017/8.
4. Confirmation of £12bn Local Growth Fund allocations for 2015/16 to 2020/21 made through Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs).
5. An extra £250m of funding for pothole repairs for five years to 2020/21. However, it has to be confirmed if this is annual or over the review period. The allocation for Oxfordshire would be around £2.5m.
6. The New Homes Bonus is to be reformed with proposals to include a 'sharpening of the incentive' and reduction in payment period from six years to four.

11.DEVOLUTION

OCC Leader Ian Hudspeth, along with the District councils, LEP and Health colleagues, will be presenting the Oxfordshire devolution proposal to Secretary of State Greg Clark in early December. This is an opportunity for Oxfordshire to have devolved powers to provide the infrastructure required to deliver the 86,000 new jobs and 100,000 new homes by 2030. The proposal also includes the integration of Health and Social care – the aim is to reduce duplication, improve efficiency and provide a better Health care system for all of Oxfordshire's 670,000 residents.

12.CHILDREN'S CENTRES & EARLY YEARS CONSULTATION

The consultation detailed in last month's report runs for a few more weeks until the end of Sunday 10 January 2016.

13.COUNCIL LAUNCHES 'FOSTERING-FRIENDLY' CAMPAIGN

OCC is joining forces with local employers and other organisations to make the county the most 'fostering friendly' place and encourage more people to foster children. The aim is to create the best possible environment for foster carers by harnessing wider support and building greater recognition for the special role foster carers play in society. Partner organisations are being invited to pledge support by signing a 'Fostering Friendly Covenant', which sets out their commitment to supporting staff, volunteers or members who foster, and to promoting foster care more widely. Details here:

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/news/2015/nov/council-launches- 'fostering-friendly'- campaign>

14.PROVISIONAL GCSE DATA

The Department for Education has published provisional GCSE results for 2015. Key Headlines for Oxfordshire schools:

- 59.1% of pupils achieved five or more A*-C grades, including English and Maths
- 73.1% made the expected level of progress in English
- 70.5% made the expected level of progress in Maths

Across the country performance was down slightly on 2014 levels but Oxfordshire remains above average. (NB the data will not be finalised until early 2016 and may change.)

15.ADDITIONAL BROADBAND FUNDING

An extra £5.58m of funding has been announced. This comes from: Oxfordshire LEP, £2m; South East Midlands LEP and Cherwell District Council, £120,000; Oxford City Council, £168,000; Government's Broadband Delivery UK (BDUK) programme, £2.2m; BT, £1.1m. This means more than 4,600 additional businesses and homes across Oxfordshire will be able to access

superfast fibre broadband. The percentage of county homes and businesses able to get superfast fibre broadband will be increased to more than 95%. More details can be found out at www.betterbroadbandoxfordshire.org.uk.

16.SUPPORTED TRANSPORT SERVICES

On November 10th, OCC's Cabinet met to agree proposals for the future of the county's supported transport services. This followed a consultation held over the summer, which had over 2,600 responses. The proposals were discussed as part of the need to make between £6.3m and £7.5m savings from OCC's supported transport budget. The Cabinet agreed to withdraw bus subsidies from all services, with the caveat that if the Local Government Spending settlement to be announced later in the year is more generous than predicted, some funds would be made available to subsidise off-peak services on key routes. The 100+ subsidised bus services in Oxfordshire make up around 9% of the bus network. This means that more than nine out of ten services run without any public subsidy and are not affected by any of the proposals.

17.PREPARATIONS FOR WINTER WEATHER

OCC is fully prepared for winter with a full fleet of 31 gritting vehicles, which have been serviced and tested over the summer. They are ready to run on 28 routes, covering a total distance of 1200 miles. Winter depots have been stocked with 12,500 tonnes of salt, which allows OCC to undertake 50 gritting runs of the entire network (at 240 tonnes per run). Since the last major 'snow event', OCC has increased the starting stock of salt by a third and has also restocked the county's 1300 salt bins. Free bulk bags of salt have been offered to all town and parish councils. The take-up so far this year has been minimal, with only 52 requested, as stocks have been retained from previous years. The daily update on whether roads will be gritted is posted on the winter pages of the OCC's web site <http://winter.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/>

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18.SIGNAGE ISSUES: FOOTPATHS 7 & 36 AND MILL LANE RESTRICTED BYWAY

The Right of Way Officer wrote to relevant residents asking for unofficial signs to be removed, vegetation to be cleared and gates to be repaired. A deadline of 5th December was set, but this has been deferred after the residents requested a meeting. This meeting is scheduled to take place this week.

19.CYCLEPATH BETWEEN HENLEY AND SHIPLAKE

The design and implementation costs appear to be a complete barrier to creating a route alongside the A4155 in the current economic climate. Mr T Taylor commented that the latest situation regarding the Network Rail option is that electrification of the Branch Line is scheduled to be completed by 2019

20.BLANKET 20MPH LIMIT

Subsequent to the site visit I attended with Cllr Thomas, updated costs have been submitted to the PC for approval by the OCC Road Safety Engineer.

21.OAKLEY WOOD HWRC

I am pleased to report that officers are now recommending that a reduction in the number of HWRCs should not happen until extensive further analysis has taken place. Subject to approval of the report by OCC Cabinet this week, this should mean Oakley Wood is safe in the medium term at least.

22.POTENTIAL THIRD THAMES BRIDGE

I am advised that the traffic study has commenced and that preliminary results will be available next spring.

7. S.O.D.C. Cllr P Harrison

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT -NOVEMBER 2015

1.Thames Farm

The Secretary of State has challenged the Judge's decision, arguing the Planning Inspector had the right to make up his own mind about the highway issues.

2.By Election Result

Will Hall won the SODC By-election for the Sonning Common ward. The turnout was disappointing with only 17% of the electorate voting. The result was as follows: -

Will Hall Conservative 635

David Winchester Labor 200

Sue Cooper Liberal Democrat 127

3.Small Grants

SODC can offer over £1,000 for improvements to village halls, community shops, play areas, sports clubs and skate parks or to buy new or replacement equipment. You can apply for up to 50 per cent of the project cost.

We'll open for applications early next year between 1 February and 1 April. If this is too soon for any projects you have in mind, here's when we're planning to open later in the year:

* between 2 May 2016 and 1 July 2016

* between 1 August 2016 and 30 September 2016

* between 31 October 2016 and 23 December 2016 For more information, visit the grants webpage or give our Grants team a call on 01235 540525.

4.Code of Conduct Training

We're holding code of conduct training in November for Parish Clerks and Chairmen at Didcot Civic Hall on Tuesday 10 November at 10 am to 12.30pm or 2pm to 4.30pm.

5.A watchful eye

Our CCTV team has helped the police with 141 arrests across both districts between April and September, and provided 120 evidence packs for court. They monitored 1,256 incidents in Abingdon and Wantage, and 1,216 in Didcot, Henley, Thame and Wallingford

6.Air quality website now live

You can now see real-time information about air quality thanks to a new website. The site www.oxfordshire.air-quality.info gives hourly updates about the level of pollutants in the air, information about how poor air quality can affect people's health and what people can do to reduce their own impact on air quality. It's funded through a £20,000 Defra grant following a successful bid by our environmental health team.

7.Funding means GO Active will go Gold in January

We're getting £227,000 from Sport England to launch Go Active Gold - a new three-year project offering sports and classes for those over 60 in our rural areas.

The activities will begin in January and include dance, tai chi, table tennis, golf, bowls, Pilates, yoga, Nordic walking and fitness. We'll be recruiting enthusiastic volunteers to help set up activities and raise awareness of the scheme nearer the time.

8.Funding available for rural businesses

In just four years the Southern Oxfordshire LEADER Project handed out more than £1.2million to projects aimed at supporting the rural economy across the two districts. It was so successful that when the opportunity to get more funding came up we jumped at the chance. We've now set up an Oxfordshire wide LEADER scheme which also includes Cherwell and West Oxfordshire and there's £1.5million on offer for rural projects until 2020.

We're looking for farmers, foresters, rural businesses or communities with projects that fit into one or more of these themes:

* growing, selling, eating more local food

* vibrant villages

* reviving the River Thames and associated waterways

* unlocking the potential of woodlands.

If you know of a project that could benefit from some funding, please encourage those involved to visit The Oxfordshire Leader website to see if they're eligible.

DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT-DECEMBER 2015

9.Enterprise zone

On Wednesday the Chancellor announced that the government approved our bid for a second Enterprise Zone. The new zone is made up of areas near Didcot and will sit alongside and complement Science Vale.

Not only does this mean many new jobs but we'll also get extra money for infrastructure from business rates, and we'll also attract significantly more government investment to the area.

Didcot and the surrounding areas are set to get major infrastructure funding to help with the delivery of 15,000 new homes and 10,000 new high-tech jobs in both districts.

Housing and Planning Minister, Brandon Lewis MP visited the town to announce that our joint bid for Garden Town status for Didcot was successful - this will pave the way for improvements

like a northern perimeter road for the town and the 'Science Bridge' over the railway line into Milton Park, as well as improvements to existing areas of Didcot.

10.Neighbourhood Plans - the right tools for the job

We've created step-by-step toolkits to help town and parish councils prepare their Neighbourhood Plans. These will be especially useful to groups just starting out, but also for those further down the process.

You can access the toolkits now by visiting:

- South toolkit

If you'd like to know more, get in touch with the Planning Policy team on 01235 540546.

11.We're number one!

It's official - residents of South and Vale continue to be the best in the country at recycling. According to official DEFRA figures, South Oxfordshire sits at the top of the chart for 2014/15 with a 67.3 per cent recycling rate, with the Vale just below in second place with 65.6 per cent, it's the third year running both districts have been in the top three.

Whilst this is good news, we are currently very concerned about the amount of food waste and nappies currently ending up in recycling bins. New legislation means recycling contaminated in this way has to be sent to landfill and this could have a serious impact on our recycling rates.

We're urgently working on addressing this issue, and will keep you up to date in future editions of In Focus.

Our survey said...

We are currently knocking on doors to ask people to take part in this year's residents' survey.

We use the survey to keep track of what people think of the local area and our services.

The researchers carrying out the survey work for M.E.L. Research - they all carry photo ID and an authorisation letter. The advice for any residents who have doubts about somebody on their doorstep is to politely turn them away, close the door and give us a call on 01235 540614.

For more information on what these surveys are about, take a look at the South or Vale webpages.

Any questions, please contact Phillip Vincent

12.Award for planning

Earlier this month at the Planning Awards in London, we won the Planning for Economic Growth Award for our work on the local development order, which has helped to fast track development in the Milton Park area. It's created more than 1,000 new jobs in the process.

13.Be alerted

If you're interested in council business in your local area, sign up to our email alerts. You can have things like details of the latest planning applications made in your area sent to your inbox. Visit the South or Vale pages for more information and to sign up.

14.Christmas parking days

We're offering free parking days to help encourage people to shop locally in the run up to Christmas

- Didcot – every Tuesday, Goring – every Saturday, Henley – every Tuesday, Theme – every Saturday, Wallingford – every Thursday.

15.Thames Farm case

The Secretary of State has stepped into a dispute about a planning application for 110 houses at Thames Farm, Shiplake.

In December 2014, we refused planning permission for this development. The applicant appealed, but the planning inspector upheld our decision.

The applicant took it to a judicial review and the judge overturned the planning inspector's decision.

The Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government is now challenging the judge's decision and the case will now be heard at the court of appeal.

16.Chinnor appeals

We recently refused applications for two housing developments on the edge of Chinnor because we considered them to be harmful to the local area, and they went against some of our policies - the developers appealed and a planning inspector overturned our decisions.

When overturning our decisions, the planning inspector applied the guidance in the National Planning Policy Framework - something that is normally only done if there is no five-year land supply in place.

The inspector did not comment on our five-year land supply but did say that she considered there to be gaps in our Core Strategy policies for site allocations in larger villages.

We're taking it to the High Court because we're concerned about the inspector's approach to the main planning issues involved in the case. The case will be heard on 4th & 5th May 2016 in London.

We have a number of similar applications and appeals that raise the same issues and it is important for our residents to ensure they're determined with consistency and clarity.

17.Henley and Harpsden Plan

The Joint Henley and Harpsden Neighbourhood Plan can proceed to a referendum, subject to a number of modifications. This will now take place in February 2016.

To read what the examiner had to say when recommending this, take a look at the examiner's report.

We are now making the required changes and expect to announce details of the referendum early in the New Year.

18.Winter Weather Waste Collections

If bad weather like snow or flooding disrupts waste collections in the run up to Christmas this winter, Biffa will try to catch up the following day. Leave your bins out for three days - if they're not emptied after three days, bring them back in and put them out next time they're due with any side waste.

You'll be able to get the latest information at www.southoxon.gov.uk or twitter.com/southoxon

19.Garden waste and Christmas tree collections over the Christmas season

Like every year, there'll be no garden waste collections over the Christmas and New Year period so our crews can concentrate on all the extra waste generated over the festive season. This year, that means no collections between Friday 25 December and Friday 8 January, but there'll be extra-large collections in the spring and autumn to make up for it.

Head to www.southoxon.gov.uk/gardenwaste to find out more.

If you've got a real tree this Christmas and you're one of our garden waste customers, we'll collect it from Monday 18th January – just leave it by your brown bin (but please not in it, as it's tricky for the crews to get it out).

If you're not a garden waste customer, you can drop your tree off at one of a number of locations around the district for composting. However, there is not a location nearby the nearest is Ewelme, so you're better off taking it to Oakley Wood.

Recycling Rejection

Keep food waste out of your recycling wheellie bin. This includes recyclable food trays with food stuck to them. Biffa are checking recycling bins - if they contain things that can't be recycled, Biffa won't empty them and will leave a note to explain why.

Please rinse out your food trays before you put them in the green bin - if our recycling is contaminated with food waste, the people who take the recycling off our hands might reject it and send it to landfill.

You can check what bins things go in at www.southoxon.gov.uk/recycleit or by calling 03000 610610.

20.Recycle textiles & small electrical goods

You can now recycle small electrical items by leaving them in a small carrier bag tied up next to your grey bin when you normally put it out for collection. You can recycle old clothes and textiles that are too tatty for charity shops by leaving them in a small tied carrier bag next to your green bin. There's more on the district council's website at www.southoxon.gov.uk/weeeandtextiles.

- 8. OPEN FORUM** The meeting was closed at 8.00pm by the chairman to allow comments from members of the Public present. Mr D Skilleter, 7 Oaks Road, presented an objection to the development at the Gables of a new access road to the site onto Oaks Road. The developer has 3 access points already. 12 members of the public present had already voiced their objections to this proposal to SODC planning. Mr D Channon, Mrs K Graham, Mr B Smith, and Mr W Stevens all

spoke strongly rejecting the proposal. Mr G Thomas Chair of Shiplake Planning Working Party responded on behalf of Council expressing support of the objections presented by Mr Skilleter. The Chairman thanked the members of the public for attending and then resumed the meeting at 8.26pm

- 9. SPECIAL REPORTS-PLANNING. Emergency Planning** Mr G Thomas suggested that Council should review their Emergency planning process in the light of floods elsewhere in the country. Mr Thomas agreed to request 4 flood signs from OCC and the college to see if they could store a supply of sandbags ACTION: Mr G Thomas. The Clerk was requested to review the contacts in the current document. ACTION: Clerk. Mr G Thomas agreed to draft flood advisory information for residents for the website. ACTION MR G Thomas

10. PLANNING

The Planning Working Party submitted the following recommendations for November /December

A). APPLICATIONS.

P15/S3234: Lashbrook Chapel, Mill Road, Lower Shiplake RG9 3LW.

Applicant: Mr R Hester. Type: Minor.

Proposal: Redevelopment of existing chapel into two-bed dwelling.

Recommendation: **NO STRONG VIEWS**, subject to Environment Agency approval.

P15/S3238: Grays Lodge, Trevor Bolney Drive, Lower Shiplake RG (3PG

Applicant: Mr W Scott. Type: Other.

Proposal: First floor and garage extension and garden room/home office.

Recommendation: **REFUSE**, for reason of scale and bulk resulting in overbearing impact, given proximity to neighbouring property.

P15/S3365: Greenmantle, Northfield Avenue, Lower Shiplake RG9 3PD.

Proposal: Single storey extension to existing garage and pitched roof to replace existing flat roof.

Recommendation: **NO STRONG VIEWS**.

P15/S2854: Chelford House, Reading Road, Lower Shiplake RG9 3JN.

Proposal: Variation of conditions 13 (landscaping) and 14 (tree protection).

Recommendation: **REFUSE**-given the ongoing history of breach of good planning practice, we see no reason to change our earlier decision.

P15/S3014/FUL: Devonvale, Station Road-Proposed new dwelling.

Given written assurance by the developer that the balance of this site would make sole use of the existing entrance on Mill Road, our previous recommendation modified to **NO STRONG VIEWS** on the basis of pre-conditions to that effect, as agreed.

P15/S3713/HH: Pippin, Plough Lane, Shiplake Cross RG9 4DD.

Applicant: Mr C Pye Type: Other.

Proposal: First-floor extension above existing garage and extension of front porch.

Recommendation: **NO STRONG VIEWS**.

P15/S3717/HH: Chilton House, Reading Road, Lower Shiplake RG9 3JN.

Applicant: Mr D Flood. Type: Other.

Proposal: Single storey rear extension.

Recommendation: **NO STRONG VIEWS**.

P15/S3705/FUL: Briar Cottage, Baskerville Lane, Lower Shiplake RG9 3JY

Applicant: Mr D Gealy. Type: Minor.

Proposal: Demolition of existing dwelling. Erection of 2 new detached dwellings and associated works, including accesses and parking.

Recommendation: **NO STRONG VIEWS.**

P15/S3709/FUL: Land to the rear of The Gables, Station Road, RG9 3JR.

Applicant: The Air Group. Type: Minor.

Proposal: Demolition of existing outbuilding and proposed erection of one detached 3-bedroom dwelling with detached car port and amenity space, and creation of a new vehicular access via Oaks Road.

Recommendation: **REFUSAL** on the following grounds:

-the design is out of character and keeping with the surrounding estate properties and would be overbearing on the existing neighbouring property no.7 Oaks Road;

-the proposed development would adversely impact the established amenity of the existing residents and in particular create significant problems of access, privacy and safety;

As such we consider it to be contrary to Policy H4.

-the consequential problems of traffic, parking and safety are explicitly acknowledged by the developer in his suggesting (but not committing to) the use of their Station Road access for construction traffic and contractors' vehicles. In the interests of road safety this should necessarily be a condition of any approval being granted.

We also comment that two matters need to be clarified before any decision is made:

1) the right of way dispute between the developer and landowner

2) the inconsistency in the plans submitted with this application as against those plans approved under P14/S3761/FUL.

The recommendations were approved on a motion proposed by Mr T Taylor and seconded by Mr C Smith

B). DETERMINATIONS. The following applications have been approved by SODC. (SPC recommendation in brackets):

P15/S2381: Moorings, Schoolfields, Shiplake Cross - Erection of single storey rear extension. (NSV)

P15/£2893: 7 Crowsley Rd, Lower Shiplake-Single storey rear extension and pitched roof to existing garage flat roof. (NSV)

P15/S2611: Waynflete, Station Rd, Lower Shiplake-Dormers to new garage roof space. (NSV)

P15/S2884: Station House, Station Rd, Lower Shiplake-First floor rear extension. (NSV)

P15/S3049/HH Winona, Trevor Bolney Drive, Lower Shiplake RG9 3PG. (NSV)

Proposal: Single and two storey side extension and internal alterations. Subject to 4 conditions.

P15/S3014/FUL: Devonvale, Station Road, Lower Shiplake RG9 3LN. (NSV)

Proposal: Erection of two-storey 4-bedroom dwelling and detached double garage and formation of new access onto Station Road. Subject to 13 conditions.

C). OTHER.

-Thames Farm: notice received that the appellant has obtained a High Court order quashing the recent Planning Inspectorate's decision to refuse this appeal. We now await further advices from the Planning Inspectorate and SODC on this matter.

Thames Farm: the Secretary of State has lodged an appeal against the recent Judicial Review decision.

-Heathfield House, Reading Road: confirmation received from SODC that TPOs will be put on the subject trees with the consent of the property owner.

JHHNP: the plan submitted has been approved by the Examiner and a public referendum will now be held Jan./Feb.

11. FINANCIAL MATTERS.

1. Copy of the financial statements for November and December and November YTD vs Budget are attached and the payments below require approval.

R V Hudson – salary October	190.15	102416	338.27
R V Hudson – expenses, office allowance. Oct	191.15	102417	101.59
Inland Revenue – clerk’s tax October	192.15	102418	225.20
Mr Robin Head (Grasscutting) Est	193.15	102419	48.00
Henley Theatre Services (lighting desk)	194.15	102420	738.18
South and Vale Carers Grant	195.15	102421	100.00
Royal British Legion	196.15	102422	350.00
OAFB	197.15	102423	100.00
SODC (Dog Bin servicing)	198.15	102424	25.12
Broadband	199.15	DD	38.06
R V Hudson – salary November	200.15	102425	338.27
R V Hudson – expenses, office allowance. Nov	201.15	102426	87.45
Inland Revenue – clerk’s tax November	202.15	102427	225.20
Robin Head (Grasscutting)	203.15	102428	48.00
Rosemary Club (Grant)	204.15	102429	650.00
Mr G Thomas reimbursement	205.15	102430	18.90
SLCC membership	206.15	102431	118.00
Oxford IT solutions	207.15	102432	54.00
Fericon Newsletter	208.15	102433	518.00
Staples Business Account	209.15	102434	45.25
Sus trans Grant	210.15	102435	25.00
Henley CAB Grant	211.15	102436	500.00
Shiplake Dunsden Poor Fund Grant	212.15	102437	250.00
Creative Play repairs to window	213.15	102438	210.00
Higgs Signage for Badgers Walk	214.15	102439	43.00
Safety Mirror	215.15	102440	392.40
Broadband	214.15	DD	37.55

The months of November and December accounts were approved on a motion proposed by Mr G Thomas and seconded by Mr C Smith

2. External Audit Report received from BDO .1 issue raised Fixed assets have been included in Box 9 as a valuation amount and should be recorded as a cost to the Council. FWP dispute this issue and Clerk has written to BDO Council to approve response received from BDO. Council approved response and the External Audit on a motion proposed by Mr C Smith and seconded by Mr T Taylor
3. 2016/17 Budget, Council reviewed Draft Budget and agreed to increase Budget for Neighbourhood Planning by £10000 and therefore total for 2016/17 to £69881. Budget approved on a motion proposed by Mr C Smith and seconded by Mr T Taylor.
4. Precept request of £27900 was approved on a motion proposed by Mr R Head and seconded by Mr C Smith
5. Bank reconciliation, was approved on a motion proposed by Mr C Smith and seconded by Mr T Taylor
6. The internal Auditor was approved on a motion proposed by Mr C Smith and seconded by Mr T Taylor and the Chairman signed the letter of engagement.
7. Request for support from Oxfordshire Association for the Blind £100
8. Request for support from South and Vale Carers £100
9. Request for support received from CAB Oxfordshire £500

10. Request for support from Rosemary Club £650
11. Request for support from Shiplake Dunsden sick poor fund £250 were approved on a motion proposed by Mr G Thomas and seconded by Mr C Smith
Grant requests 7-11 were approved on a motion proposed by Mr C Smith and seconded by Mr T Taylor
12. Budget vs Actual was approved and Council approved payment of £5000 for the 20mph zone which included the previously agreed £1500 for initial consultation on a motion proposed by Mr C Smith and seconded by Mr G Thomas.
13. Safety Mirror for Station Road, request from Mr R Curtis Moravia View-Minder 600 Acrylic Traffic Convex Mirror + 4 metre galvanised post 392.40 Inc. vat phone 0800 567 7549 approved on a motion proposed by Mr G Thomas and seconded by Mr C Smith
14. Signage for Badgers Walk Ref Litter Higgs £43.00 approved on a motion proposed by Mr G Thomas and seconded by Mr C Smith.

12. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION.

78/16 HIGHWAY MATTERS.

1. Quotations received for additional speed deterrent measures.
2. Mr R Head presented a paper and updated Council on potential dangerous speed hot spots, which may require additional anti speed measures. Council agreed to review in January meeting.

79/16 MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT.

80/16 RECREATION GROUNDS/OPFA

1. Badgers Walk - Mr C Smith to report on the condition of the equipment and general condition of the playground.
2. Creative Play contacted to order replacement window
3. Memorial Hall. Mr G Davies to report on the condition of the equipment and the general condition of the playground.

81/16 FOOTPATHS

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82/16 SHIPLAKE – DEVELOPMENT OF FACILITIES.

Projects for improving facilities within village update from D Pheasant

1. Network Rail (NR): Agreed with NR the update on electrification will be early 2016 following the completion of NR's internal major review of electrification projects. Hendy Review published in November and referenced on the website. Branch line electrification approved but unlikely to be done until late in the decade. Discussions to take place with HBUG in January and meeting with Parish Council and Network to be arranged when more details available.
2. Broadband: Generally positive reports on new high speed fibre performance for Lower Shiplake but relatively disappointing reports for Shiplake Cross. The additional 3rd cabinet being installed at the Mill Lane/A4155/Memorial Avenue junction hopefully will make a difference. Details of the OxOnline response to questions raised is on the website with postcodes affected by the 3rd cabinet referenced below:
RG94BX, RG94BT, RG94DJ, RG94DH, RG94DL, RG94DN, RG94DW, RG94ES, RG94EN, RG94DR, RG93JY, RG94DP, RG94DF, RG94BU, RG94BL, RG94DA, RG94DD, RG94BY, RG94BS, RG94BW, RG94BN, RG94DG, RG94DE, RG94DB.
Have agreed in principle to Shiplake to being a case study for the OxOnline project
3. SVP: No further updates required following SVP Chairman's recent final update to the parish council.
4. Website: Development of added features for the Home page has been authorised with user availability anticipated before the end of the year. Received latest test version with Home page design and content revisions. Initial feedback very positive and plan to make available early in the new year.
5. Newsletter: November issue on website and hard copy distributed in the villages.
6. Defibrillator Initiative: Installation of units and training of 50+ residents now complete. No further updates required

Future Phases

- a) CYCLEPATH.TO HENLEY. Update from Mr Bartholomew
- b) TREE PRESERVATION Mr T Taylor /Mr F Maroudas to update Council,
- c) FOOTPATHS TO LINK EXISTING PATHS
- d) FOOTBRIDGE WARGRAVE
- e) TICKET MACHINE AT STATION.
- f) FERRY
- g) VILLAGE FESTIVAL/STREET PARTY
- h) NEW PLAY AREA LOWER SHIPLAKE RECREATION AREA
- i) VILLAGE BOAT CLUB -SLIPWAY
- j) VILLAGE GREEN-MEADOW
- k) AFFORDABLE HOUSING SURVEY-BETTER MIX OF HOUSING
- l) HIGHWAYS DEVELOPMENT OF SAFER CROSSING AT MEMORIAL AVENUE AND STATION ROAD/WAR MEMORIAL

83/16 ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS.

84/16 S.O.D.C.

85/16 OCC

86/16 O.A.L.C. /O.R.C.C.

1. 2015 OALC Members Latest update circulated by email

87/16 MEMORIAL HALL

1. Update on Parish Council Representative /Hall Developments. Mr T Taylor has volunteered to be the Parish Council representative in the short term and will attend next meeting on 4th January 2016.Clerk requested to advise MH Chairman Mr H Lacey. ACTION: Clerk

88/16 CHILTERN SOCIETY/CPRE

1. Latest Chiltern /Conservation Board /Society newsletters 2015 circulated by email
2. Latest CPRE newsletter circulated by email

89/16 DEFRA & OTHER GOVERNMENT CORRESPONDENCE

90/16 TOWNLANDS & OXFORDSHIRE PCT.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

Letter received by Chairman from Mrs McAdam re Parking at top of Station Road. Council discussed issue and agreed to try and identify the Schools via the Bus companies in the first instance and to contact the PCSO for assistance in booking inconsiderate drivers who have parked illegally. ACTION: Councillors

14. ITEMS OF INTEREST OR FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION.

There being no other items of business the Chairman thanked the Councillors for their contributions through the year, wished them a happy and peaceful Xmas and closed the meeting at 9.58pm

R.V. Hudson.

Clerk to the Council.

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