
Filkins & Broughton Poggs Parish Council

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26 January 2023

You are hereby summoned to attend the next meeting of Filkins & Broughton Poggs Parish Council which will be held on Wednesday 8 February 2023 in Filkins Village Hall Committee Room at 7.30pm. Members of the public are invited to attend.

- 1 Apologies for absence and to receive Declarations of Pecuniary, Personal or Prejudicial Interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers.
- 2 Minutes
 - 2.1 To accept minutes of last PC meeting – 14 December 2022
 - 2.2 Matters for information only arising from these minutes
 - 2.3 To note Correspondence received by The Clerk since the last meeting
- 3 Open Forum
 - 3.1 County & District councillors report
 - 3.2 Adjournment for public participation - Members of the public wishing to speak will each be given the opportunity to address the council for 3 minutes.
 - Filkins Experience – Richard Martin
- 4 Planning and Cemetery

Applications received after the agenda has been posted but on the WODC website may be discussed at the meeting.

 - 4.1 Report on responses to existing applications
 - 4.1.1 22/02555/HHD 20, The Gassons – to receive response for WODC Planning
 - 4.1.2 22/03232/FUL & 22/03233/LBC Methodist Chapel – awaiting response
 - 4.1.3 22/03414/HHD Corner Cottage Broughton Poggs
 - 4.2 Planning Committee – to accept Planning Policy
- 5 Village Matters
 - 5.1.1 CLP Update – to accept minutes of meeting 13 January 2023 and report decision- appendix 1
 - 5.1.2 Telephone Box- to report on progress with SSE & Councillors priority Fund
 - 5.1.3 Street Lighting – to decide on lights to be replaced within budget - £2200
 - 5.1.3.1 Light 12 The Gassons £955.08
 - 5.1.3.2 Light 5 Barringtons Road £939.39
 - 5.1.3.3 Light 14 B4477 £1884.50
 - 5.1.4 To discuss position of tree being planted by OCC
 - 5.1.5 Platinum garden- to report on progress
 - 5.1.6 Moore Allen – to report on rent review
 - 5.1.7 Request for ideas on village hall usage from Village Hall Chair
 - 5.1.8 Village Shop – report NW
 - 5.1.9 Gigaclear – update - meeting 13 February 2023
 - 5.1.10 Pump House Roof - KR
- 6 Finance
 - 6.1 To resolve and approve the payments for December 2022/January 2023 - Parish Council & Village Centre – appendix 2
 - 6.2 To resolve and approve account balances – Parish Council and Village Centre
 - 6.3 Grant – VC refurbishment to report grant received from WODC
 - 6.4 To report increase to payroll services 7.8%
- 7 Chairmans Q&A – 20mph speed limits

EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC
The Committee is asked to consider passing the following resolution: "That under Section 50A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12A of the Act."
- 8 Chair's Review
- 9 Next meeting date: 8 March 2023



Cris Hoad
Clerk to the Council

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Minutes of Meeting of the Parish Council on 8 February 2023 at 7.30 pm	
	<u>Present</u> Cllr Ford, Cllr Walsh, Cllr Robbins, Cllr Jones, Cllr Tridgell, Cllr Howe Members of the Public: R Martin, A Hoad, Cllr Leverton
72/23	Apologies for Absence: 72.1 Cllr S Coul
73/23	Declaration of Personal, Prejudicial and Pecuniary Interest 73.1 None
74/23	To Accept Minutes of Last Meetings 74.1 Minutes for Council meeting on 2 November have been circulated to Councillors. Cllr Walsh objected to wording in 68.1 – this was noted. All other Councillors agreed – they were accepted and signed. 74.2 No matters arising 74.3 Correspondence list – Cllr Walsh stated one email was missing from 14 December. Only emails received on the Clerks email address are recorded due to GDPR. Clerks private email address is not recorded or responded to. List was accepted by all other Councillors.
75/23	Open Forum 75.1 County Councillor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budgets – cuts will be made but will not be as savage due to extra funding from Government. • Parking restrictions of 1 car per new house – waiting to see if this impacts WODC • 4 way junction to A40 at Minster Lovell not going ahead no funding • Fire station in Carterton also not going ahead until funding is found • 20mph limits are now being advertised outside Oxfordshire. There is some uproar concerning money being spent on supermarket, TV and radio advertising • New reservoir at Abingdon going ahead – Thames Water are working on the project 75.2 District Councillor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 April road works with traffic lights from camp gates to top of the hill to Alvescot work mainly over night • B4477 road works from 2/03-01/04 between 8pm and 6am. Road closed during this time. • Suzi Coul stepping down at the next election due to ill health. Her replacement is Ed James who can attend next meeting • Meeting for Clerks and Chairs or Councillors in Carterton in February early evening. 75.3 R Martin came to ask speak to council about a new project The Filkins Experience as appendix below.
76/23	Planning & Cemetery 76.1.1 22/02555/HHD 20 the Gassons a Cottsway property– approved. Clerk has received a reply from WODC stating that it is of no matter if the materials stated in the application are not as existing as the approval states that they must match. Also confirmed visit was undertaken 76.1.2 22/03232/FUL & 22/03233/LBC Methodist Chapel – letter was written. Awaiting response 76.1.3 22/03414/HHD Corner Cottage – awaiting response 76.2 OALC Planning Training – Cllrs Robbins, Jones and Howe agreed there were no changes required to the Planning Policy. Cllr Robbins also reported the minute from December was correct concerning future Parish Council objections. Planning Policy was accepted by Councillors and signed by Chair
77/23	Village Matters

Signed:

Date:

	<p>77.1 CLP – Cllr Ford stated a meeting was held on 13 January between Cllr, Ford, Walsh & Tridgell – minutes circulated – after a meeting was held with Teresa Smallbone to discuss the future of the CLP. It was decided under delegated powers passed in December – that the CLP committee will stand down as no progress is being made. The Parish Council will concentrate on looking more strategically at their remit.</p> <p>77.2 Telephone Box – Clerk reported SSE have confirmed they do not need a new supply just the old one reconnected. This is now being pursued with Richard Coleman at SSE. Action: Clerk</p> <p>Cllr Jones confirmed he will commence refurbishment on the box when the weather improves.</p> <p>77.3 Quotes have been received for 3 new street lights No 12 – the Gassons £955.08, No 5 Barringtons Road £939.39 and No 14 B4477 £1884.50. The budget we have is £2200 so the council agreed lights 12 and 5 will be upgraded. Chair suggested we ask residents if lights should be switched off between 1am and 5am instead of being dimmed. Article for next newsletter to canvas opinion and decision made at March meeting. Action: Clerk will contact David Page SSE</p> <p>77.4 Correspondence received concerning position of tree being planted by Highways. Position was in Broughton Poggs opposite the junction with B4477 or on the left next to Dyers piece. Gone back to OCC with suggestion at Burford end of village where there is more space. OCC also asking residents to take responsibility for tree care.</p> <p>77.5 Platinum Garden – Rosie Howe has taken on managing the project with Andy Hoad helping with the manual works. Grant application has been submitted to NGS result in March, grant from St Filica AGM £243 at AGM on 08/02. It will be a 2 phase project hard landscaping and then planting.</p> <p>77.6 Moore Allen Rent review – New rent negotiated from January 2023 – old rent was paid so Richard Dell is chasing payment.</p> <p>77.7 Village Hall chairman has asked for ideas for new uses of the village hall. Some halls are opening as Community Hubs for people working at home.</p> <p>77.8 Village Shop Cllr Walsh no update. Robert Courts visited shop to congratulate them on grant towards electricity</p> <p>77.9 Gigaclear – Chair has organised Teams meeting with Gigaclear on 13 January – all councillors are invited to join</p> <p>77.10 Pump House roof – Cllr Robbins reported that the roof has failed and is leaking badly. This will have to be repaired asap as the electrics are housed inside. He will meet with Ian Grey and discuss best option. Currently sloping towards pool but this will be changed to field. Pitched roof will need planning permission. Swimming pool membership money will be used to repair. Action: Cllr Robbins to contact Ian Grey and meet with Cllr Jones & Howe to progress</p>
78/23	<p>Finance</p> <p>78.1 Payments for December/January 2023 were resolved and approved. List was signed by Cllr Ford & Tridgell. Payment will be authorised after the meeting which is a grant from WODC for the playground sent to the Council account instead of the Village Centre account. Finance meeting to be held before 8 March Action: Payment to be authorised Cllr Ford & Tridgell</p> <p>78.2 Account balances to end of September Parish Council £15260.58 Current, £36782.18 deposit. Village Centre £34342.78 current, £1389.46 COIF</p> <p>78.3 Grant WODC – Changing room grant now fully received – Playground grant being paid out in stages.</p> <p>78.4 Correspondence received from Top Source – payroll monthly charges increased from £16.97 to £18.92 per month</p> <p>78.5 Quote has been received for fencing in kick about field from Matt Simpson £3090.00 still awaiting Chris Merrett. Decision will be made at March meeting</p>
79/23	Chairmans Q&A Feedback

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20mph limits separate team being led by Tim Shickle. Phase one 2023/24 phase 2 2024. 75 parishes have adopted scheme • Concerns – 20mph limit brings down speed by 4mph s in 30mph average speed 36 mph so will reduce to 32mph • Heavy costly advertising has been criticised when budget reductions are being made • Is enforceable but only if speed watch is in place. Minimum 3 people at a time recording data. Caught 4 times then fine is issued. • Planters are being suggested instead of costly chicanes to slow traffic – not sure how they are lit. • We should ask for the survey to highlight which areas would be changed and then consult the village
80/23	Next Meeting will be held on 8 th March in the village hall committee room. Following meetings 12/04, 10/05.
81/23	<p>EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC</p> <p>The Committee is asked to consider passing the following resolution: "That under Section 50A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12A of the Act."</p> <p>Chairs review – discussion took place on working parties and councillors roles.</p>

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Transactions for Current Account

Voucher	Date	Chq/Rec No.	Description	Supplier	Total	Balance	Cashed date
			STARTING BALANCE			9,745.61	
1	11/04/2022	BACS	Village Centre Refurbishment	B & Q	-284.80	9,460.81	30/04/2022
2	11/04/2022	BACS	Village Centre Refurbishment	Commercial Wash	-331.20	9,129.61	30/04/2022
3	11/04/2022	BACS	Village Centre Refurbishment	Commercial Wash	-30.00	9,099.61	30/04/2022
4	11/04/2022	BACS	Village Centre Refurbishment	Trading Depot	-144.45	8,955.16	30/04/2022
5	11/04/2022	BACS	Village Hall Hire	Filkins Village Hall	-21.00	8,934.16	30/04/2022
6	11/04/2022	BACS	Village Centre Refurbishment	Screwfix	-41.95	8,892.21	30/04/2022
7	11/04/2022	BACS	Village Centre Refurbishment	5A's Tool & Plant	-12.00	8,880.21	30/04/2022
9	13/04/2022	BACS	PAYE & NI	HMRC	-95.40	8,784.81	30/04/2022
101	13/04/2022	BACS	PAYE & NI	HMRC	-252.76	8,532.05	30/04/2022
8	14/04/2022	BACS	Donations	Citizens Advice Bu	-50.00	8,482.05	30/04/2022
35	14/04/2022	BACS	Donations	Village centre	-400.00	8,082.05	30/04/2022
1	19/04/2022		Precept payment	West Oxfordshire I	9,250.00	17,332.05	30/04/2022
3	19/04/2022	BACS	Hardcastles Field rent	St Filica Society	150.00	17,482.05	30/04/2022
10	21/04/2022	Direct debit	SSE Unmetered Electric	SSE Enterprise Co	-94.79	17,387.26	30/04/2022
2	22/04/2022		SSE Wayleave	SSE Services plc	7.61	17,394.87	30/04/2022
11	22/04/2022	BACS	PAYE & NI	HMRC	-95.40	17,299.47	30/04/2022
22	22/04/2022		Village Centre Refurbishment	Screwfix	-11.20	17,288.27	30/04/2022
102	22/04/2022	BACS	PAYE & NI	HMRC	-252.76	17,035.51	30/04/2022
4	25/04/2022	BACS	Donations	Filkins & Broughto	500.00	17,535.51	30/04/2022
12	25/04/2022	BACS	PAYE & NI	HMRC	-95.40	17,440.11	30/04/2022
13	25/04/2022	BACS	PAYE & NI	HMRC	-565.13	16,874.98	30/04/2022
14	25/04/2022	BACS	Dog Bins	West Oxfordshire I	-208.24	16,666.74	30/04/2022
15	25/04/2022	BACS	Groundsmans Wages	Groundsman	-1,198.41	15,468.33	30/04/2022
16	25/04/2022	BACS	Groundsman Expenses	Mid Counties Co-C	-59.81	15,408.52	30/04/2022
17	25/04/2022	BACS	Village Centre Refurbishment	B & Q	-47.85	15,360.67	30/04/2022
18	25/04/2022	BACS	Village Centre Refurbishment	Screwfix	-33.76	15,326.91	30/04/2022
19	25/04/2022	BACS	Village Centre Refurbishment	A K Timms	-55.40	15,271.51	30/04/2022
20	25/04/2022		Clerk Wages & expenses	Clerk Filkins & Brc	-382.02	14,889.49	30/04/2022
21	25/04/2022		Administration	Clerk Filkins & Brc	-12.20	14,877.29	30/04/2022
23	01/05/2022	BACS	Village Centre Refurbishment	Screwfix	-96.02	14,781.27	31/05/2022
24	01/05/2022		Village Centre Refurbishment	Workplace Depot	-292.79	14,488.48	31/05/2022
25	01/05/2022	BACS	Data Protection Fee	ICO	-40.00	14,448.48	31/05/2022
33	10/05/2022	BACS	SSE Unmetered Electric	SSE Enterprise Co	-97.60	14,350.88	31/05/2022
34	10/05/2022	BACS	Playground Donation	Village centre	-500.00	13,850.88	31/05/2022
28	10/05/2022	BACS	Village Hall Hire	Filkins Village Hall	-18.00	13,832.88	31/05/2022
27	10/05/2022	BACS	Village Centre Refurbishment	A K Timms	-7.86	13,825.02	31/05/2022
32	10/05/2022	BACS	Village Centre Refurbishment	Screwfix	-28.31	13,796.71	31/05/2022
29	10/05/2022	BACS	Graver Marker stones	Filkins Stone Com	-492.00	13,304.71	31/05/2022
30	10/05/2022	BACS	Village Centre Refurbishment	Building Plastics C	-10.07	13,294.64	31/05/2022
31	10/05/2022	BACS	Village Centre Refurbishment	Dart Cubicles LLP	-888.00	12,406.64	31/05/2022
26	11/05/2022	BACS	Village Centre Refurbishment	A K Timms	-15.07	12,391.57	31/05/2022
41	20/05/2022	Direct debit	Payroll Monthly Fee	eSlip Payroll	-20.36	12,371.21	31/05/2022
37	27/05/2022	BACS	Groundsman Expenses	Brize Norton Servi	-32.56	12,338.65	30/06/2022
38	27/05/2022	BACS	Clerk Wages & expenses	Clerk Filkins & Brc	-382.02	11,956.63	30/06/2022
39	27/05/2022	BACS	Administration	Clerk Filkins & Brc	-12.20	11,944.43	30/06/2022
36	27/05/2022		Groundsmans Wages	Groundsman	-614.40	11,330.03	30/06/2022
40	27/05/2022	BACS	Administration	Amazon	-59.44	11,270.59	30/06/2022
5	30/05/2022	BACS	Grass cutting Grant	Oxfordshire Count	1,073.00	12,343.59	30/06/2022
50	02/06/2022	Direct debit	SSE Unmetered Electric	SSE Enterprise Co	-192.20	12,151.39	30/06/2022
42	06/06/2022	BACS	Village Hall Hire	Filkins Village Hall	-7.00	12,144.39	30/06/2022
43	08/06/2022	BACS	Weed Control	Complete Weed C	-330.00	11,814.39	30/06/2022
44	08/06/2022	BACS	Groundsman Expenses	5A's Tool & Plant	-49.75	11,764.64	27/07/2022
51	20/06/2022	Direct debit	Payroll Monthly Fee	eSlip Payroll	-20.36	11,744.28	30/06/2022
45	25/06/2022	BACS	Clerk Wages & expenses	Clerk Filkins & Brc	-381.82	11,362.46	30/06/2022

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46	25/06/2022	BACS	Administration	Clerk Filkins & Brc	-12.20	11,350.26	30/06/2022
47	25/06/2022	BACS	Administration	Clerk Filkins & Brc	-10.67	11,339.59	30/06/2022
48	25/06/2022	BACS	Groundsmans Wages	Groundsman	-614.40	10,725.19	30/06/2022
49	25/06/2022	BACS	Groundsman Expenses	Groundsman	-35.05	10,690.14	30/06/2022
8	04/07/2022		Allotment rent	Allotment holders	5.00	10,695.14	27/07/2022
52	08/07/2022	BACS	PAYE & NI	HMRC	-155.10	10,540.04	27/07/2022
53	08/07/2022	BACS	PAYE & NI	HMRC	-95.60	10,444.44	27/07/2022
59	08/07/2022	BACS	Village Hall Hire	Filkins Village Hall	-7.00	10,437.44	27/07/2022
57	08/07/2022	BACS	Village Hall Hire	Filkins Village Hall	-7.00	10,430.44	27/07/2022
54	08/07/2022	BACS	SSE Street Light Maintenance	Enervo	-101.50	10,328.94	27/07/2022
55	08/07/2022	BACS	SSE Street Light Maintenance	Enervo	-101.50	10,227.44	27/07/2022
56	08/07/2022	BACS	Village Centre Refurbishment	Darren Webb	-444.00	9,783.44	27/07/2022
58	10/07/2022	BACS	Insurance payover	Village centre	-697.76	9,085.68	27/07/2022
60	10/07/2022	BACS	Annual Management Fee	Village centre	-50.00	9,035.68	27/07/2022
70	12/07/2022	BACS	Payroll Monthly Fee	eSlip Payroll		9,035.68	27/07/2022
69	20/07/2022	BACS	Payroll Monthly Fee	eSlip Payroll	-20.36	9,015.32	27/07/2022
68	21/07/2022	BACS	SSE Unmetered Electric	SSE Enterprise Cc	-195.07	8,820.25	27/07/2022
7	25/07/2022	cash	Allotment rent	Allotment holders	10.00	8,830.25	27/07/2022
66	25/07/2022	BACS	Administration	Clerk Filkins & Brc	-12.20	8,818.05	27/07/2022
67	25/07/2022	BACS	Administration	Clerk Filkins & Brc	-41.00	8,777.05	27/07/2022
65	25/07/2022	BACS	Clerk Wages & expenses	Clerk Filkins & Brc	-382.02	8,395.03	27/07/2022
64	25/07/2022	BACS	Groundsman Expenses	Groundsman	-38.17	8,356.86	27/07/2022
63	25/07/2022	BACS	Groundsmans Wages	Groundsman	-614.40	7,742.46	27/07/2022
61	25/07/2022	BACS	PAYE & NI	HMRC	-95.40	7,647.06	27/07/2022
62	25/07/2022	BACS	PAYE & NI	HMRC	-155.10	7,491.96	27/07/2022
71	26/07/2022	BACS	PAYE & NI	HMRC	97.66	7,589.62	27/07/2022
61501	16/08/2022		Transfer from Deposit Account		1,350.00	8,939.62	26/08/2022
72	20/08/2022	Direct debit	Payroll Monthly Fee	eSlip Payroll	-20.36	8,919.26	26/08/2022
73	23/08/2022	BACS	Clerk Wages & expenses	Clerk Filkins & Brc	-381.82	8,537.44	26/08/2022
74	23/08/2022	BACS	Administration	Clerk Filkins & Brc	-12.20	8,525.24	26/08/2022
75	23/08/2022	BACS	Groundsmans Wages	Groundsman	-614.40	7,910.84	26/08/2022
76	23/08/2022	BACS	PAYE & NI	HMRC	-155.10	7,755.74	26/08/2022
77	23/08/2022	BACS	PAYE & NI	HMRC	-95.60	7,660.14	26/08/2022
78	23/08/2022	BACS	SSE Unmetered Electric	SSE Enterprise Cc	-199.42	7,460.72	26/08/2022
80	19/09/2022	Direct debit	SSE Unmetered Electric	SSE Enterprise Cc	-199.42	7,261.30	27/09/2022
11	20/09/2022	BACS	Precept payment	West Oxfordshire I	9,250.00	16,511.30	27/09/2022
88	20/09/2022	Direct debit	Payroll Monthly Fee	eSlip Payroll	-20.36	16,490.94	27/09/2022
12	29/09/2022	Cheque	Cemetery	Cemetery	195.00	16,685.94	27/10/2022
89	29/09/2022	BACS	Clerk Wages & expenses	Clerk Filkins & Brc	-382.02	16,303.92	27/10/2022
91	29/09/2022	BACS	Administration	Clerk Filkins & Brc	-12.20	16,291.72	27/10/2022
87	29/09/2022	BACS	Groundsmans Wages	Groundsman	-614.40	15,677.32	27/10/2022
85	29/09/2022	BACS	PAYE & NI	HMRC	-95.40	15,581.92	27/10/2022
86	29/09/2022	BACS	PAYE & NI	HMRC	-155.10	15,426.82	27/10/2022
81	29/09/2022	BACS	SSE Street Light Maintenance	SSE Enterprise Cc	-56.75	15,370.07	27/10/2022
82	29/09/2022	BACS	SSE Street Light Maintenance	SSE Enterprise Cc	-56.75	15,313.32	27/10/2022
79	29/09/2022	BACS	Dog Bins	West Oxfordshire I	-208.24	15,105.08	27/10/2022
83	29/09/2022	BACS	Village Hall Hire	Filkins Village Hall	-7.00	15,098.08	27/10/2022
90	29/09/2022	BACS	Administration	Amazon	-63.35	15,034.73	27/10/2022
84	29/09/2022	BACS	Hardcastles Field Gate	Kudos fencing	-246.00	14,788.73	27/10/2022
96	12/10/2022	BACS	Groundsmans Wages	Groundsman		14,788.73	27/10/2022
95	12/10/2022	BACS	PAYE & NI	HMRC		14,788.73	27/10/2022
92	12/10/2022	Direct debit	SSE Unmetered Electric	SSE Enterprise Cc	-300.24	14,488.49	27/10/2022
93	12/10/2022	Direct debit	Payroll Monthly Fee	eSlip Payroll	-20.36	14,468.13	27/10/2022
63299	19/10/2022		Transfer to Deposit Account		-6,547.21	7,920.92	02/11/2022

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100	26/10/2022	BACS	Administration	Clerk Filkins & Brc	-12.20	7,526.70	01/11/2022
97	31/10/2022	BACS	PAYE & NI	HMRC	-95.40	7,431.30	30/11/2022
10	02/11/2022	cash	Allotment rent	Allotment holders	15.00	7,446.30	02/11/2022
94	02/11/2022	BACS	Audit Fee	Moore East Midlar	-240.00	7,206.30	30/11/2022
107	02/11/2022	BACS	Training	Oxfordshire Assoc	-198.00	7,008.30	30/11/2022
98	02/11/2022	BACS	Wreathes	Royal British legio	-40.00	6,968.30	30/11/2022
103	02/11/2022	BACS	Noticeboard refurbishment	Amazon	-71.98	6,896.32	30/11/2022
108	02/11/2022	BACS	Administration	Amazon	-56.73	6,839.59	30/11/2022
104	02/11/2022	BACS	Noticeboard refurbishment	B & Q	-46.00	6,793.59	30/11/2022
105	02/11/2022	BACS	Noticeboard refurbishment	WH Smith	-5.00	6,788.59	30/11/2022
106	02/11/2022	BACS	Noticeboard refurbishment	Timpson	-48.99	6,739.60	30/11/2022
109	02/11/2022	BACS	Skip Hire	Hickman Brothers	-295.00	6,444.60	30/11/2022
63287	02/11/2022		Transfer from Deposit Account		20.00	6,464.60	02/11/2022
111	21/11/2022		SSE Unmetered Electric	SSE Enterprise Cc	-195.43	6,269.17	30/11/2022
110	21/11/2022		Payroll Monthly Fee	eSlip Payroll	-20.36	6,248.81	30/11/2022
15	23/11/2022		Grant	West Oxfordshire I	7,274.52	13,523.33	30/11/2022
113	24/11/2022		Clerk Wages & expenses	Clerk Filkins & Brc	-394.02	13,129.31	30/11/2022
112	24/11/2022		PAYE & NI	HMRC	-95.60	13,033.71	30/11/2022
16	25/11/2022		VAT Refund	HMRC	1,265.60	14,299.31	30/11/2022
117	13/12/2022		PAYE & NI	HMRC	-235.74	14,063.57	31/12/2022
118	13/12/2022		Village Hall Hire	Filkins Village Hall	-21.00	14,042.57	31/12/2022
116	13/12/2022		Administration	Amazon	-23.60	14,018.97	31/12/2022
115	14/12/2022		Clerk Wages & expenses	Clerk Filkins & Brc	-817.64	13,201.33	31/12/2022
119	19/12/2022		SSE Unmetered Electric	SSE Enterprise Cc	-199.45	13,001.88	31/12/2022
123	20/12/2022	BACS	Subscription	Society of Local C	-88.50	12,913.38	31/12/2022
122	20/12/2022	BACS	Training	Oxfordshire Assoc	-66.00	12,847.38	31/12/2022
114	20/12/2022		Payroll Monthly Fee	eSlip Payroll	-20.36	12,827.02	31/12/2022
120	20/12/2022	BACS	Hardcastles Field Gate	Kudos fencing	-492.00	12,335.02	31/12/2022
121	20/12/2022	BACS	Hardcastles Field Gate	Kudos fencing	-246.00	12,089.02	31/12/2022
17	23/12/2022	BACS	Grant	West Oxfordshire I	3,171.56	15,260.58	31/12/2022
133	21/01/2023	BACS	SSE Unmetered Electric	SSE Enterprise Cc	-210.31	15,050.27	
126	24/01/2023	BACS	Payroll Monthly Fee	eSlip Payroll	-20.36	15,029.91	
65894	25/01/2023		Transfer from Deposit Account		85.00	15,114.91	
131	27/01/2023	BACS	Clerk Wages & expenses	Clerk Filkins & Brc	-413.44	14,701.47	
129	27/01/2023	BACS	PAYE & NI	HMRC	-100.20	14,601.27	
127	27/01/2023	BACS	Administration	Society of Local C	-70.90	14,530.37	
132	27/01/2023	BACS	Accounts Software	Starboard System	-397.44	14,132.93	
124	27/01/2023	BACS	Weed Control	Complete Weed C	-420.00	13,712.93	
128	27/01/2023	BACS	Mapping Software	Parish Online	-54.00	13,658.93	
125	27/01/2023	BACS	SSE Street Light Maintenance	Enervo	-56.74	13,602.19	
130	27/01/2023	BACS	Mini excavator and Operator - Platinum Garden	Matt Simpson	-450.00	13,152.19	
134	08/02/2023	BACS	Village Centre Refurbishment	West Oxfordshire I	-2,547.53	10,604.66	
CLOSING BALANCE						10,604.66	
Value of uncashed entries £-4,655.92				Bank statement should show		£15,260.58	

Email Communications received – 09.12.22-02.02.23

Date	From	Subject	Action
09.12.22	Noticeboard Company	Noticeboard clearance	Noted
09.12.22	SCAS	New CEO	Noted
09.12.22	Support	Eslips	Actioned
09.12.22	ICO	Newsletter	Actioned
09.12.22	Q Portal	Eslips	Actioned
09.12.22	WODC	Budget consultation	Forwarded to full council
09.12.22	E Taylor	Cemetery stones	Actioned
09.12.22	London Hearts	Grant application	Actioned
09.12.22	WODC	Cold weather alert	Noted
11.12.22	Village Hall	Hall usage	Noted
12.12.22	Gallagher Ins	Seasons Greetings	Noted
12.12.22	Parish Online	Newsletter	Noted
12.12.22	RSN	Newsletter	Forwarded to full council
12.12.22	Pension credit	Newsletter	Noted
13.12.22	WODC	Putting residents first	Noted
13.12.22	E slip	Invoice	Actioned
13.12.22	Meon	Festive lights	Noted
15.12.22	WODC	Grant application	actioned
15.12.22	OALC	December newsletter	Forwarded to full council
15.12.22	WODC	Receipt for recycling playground tyres	Actioned
15.12.22	Healthwatch	Newsletter	noted
15.12.22	TVP	Budget	Noted
15.12.22	D Blackett	Funding email	Noted
16.12.22	Scribe	Training	Noted
16.12.22	WODC	Precept reminder	Noted
16.12.22	WODC	Abolishment of pavement licences	Noted
17.12.22	OALC	Training	Noted
18.12.22	Henry Fuller	Tree surveyor	Noted
19.12.22	Moore Allen	Remittance advice	Noted
19.12.22	Matt Simpson	Invoice	Actioned
20.12.22	SSE	VC meter replacement	Noted
20.12.22	RSN	Newsletter	Circulated to full council
20.12.22	Matthew Barber	Police & Crime Bulletin	Circulated to full council
20.12.22	F Cowburn	Village Centre Garden	Actioned

Date	From	Subject	Action
21.12.22	WODC	Christmas Tree Collections	On website
21.12.22	Castle Water	Change of email address confirmation	Noted
21.12.22	WODC	Planning application	Circulated to planning
21.12.22	WODC	Grant remittance	Noted
22.12.22	WODC	Climate funding £4k per annum	Circulated to full council
23.12.22	The Circuit	Defibrillator update	Actioned
29.12.22	Enervo	Maintenance invoice	Actioned
29.12.22	The Circuit	Confirmation of update	Noted
29.12.22	HMRC	Charity Return – confirmation	Noted
01.01.23	Scribe	Training	Noted
01.01.23	Village Hall	Invoice	Actioned
01.01.23	Village Hall	Repeat hiring agreement	Actioned
04.01.23	RSN	Newsletter	Circulated to full council
04.01.23	Scribe	Checking AGAR figures	Noted
04.01.23	Parish Online	Subscription invoice	Actioned
04.01.23	OALC	Date change	Noted
04.01.23	Village Hall	Revised invoice	Actioned
04.01.23	OALC	Fake email warning	Noted
05.01.23	Utility Aid	Forecast 2023	Circulated to full council
05.01.23	McAfee	Renewal	Noted
06.01.23	WODC	Funding for improving their digital communication	Noted
06.01.23	Elevate playgrounds	Newsletter	Noted
07.01.23	Richard Martin	Village Hall Grant	Noted
07.01.23	Charlotte Spencer	May Booking	Actioned
07.01.23	Charlotte Spencer	May booking confirmed	Noted
07.01.23	WODC Planning	Confirmation of comments 22/03232/FUL	Noted
08.01.23	Scribe	Rebalance your workload	Noted
09.01.23	London Hearts	Defib Grant	Noted
09.01.23	WODC	Newsletter	Forwarded to full Council
09.01.23	Top Source	Increase to payroll fees	Actioned
09.01.23	OALC	Chairs Q&A details	Forwarded to Chair
09.01.23	SMP Pumps	Advertisement	Noted
10.01.23	RSN	Newsletter	Forwarded to full council
10.01.23	WODC Planning	Reply to 22/02555/HHD	Forward to Planning Committee
10.01.23	Komplan Playground	Promotion	Noted

Date	From	Subject	Action
10.01.23	Richard Martin	Confirmation of Village Hall Grant scheme/heating	Noted
11.01.23	Platinum Garden	Grant	Actioned
11.01.23	Platinum Garden	Quotes	Noted
11.01.23	Utility Aid	Energy Bills Discount Scheme	Noted
11.01.23	Futurform	Outdoor seating	Forward to platinum garden
12.01.23	SSE	Quotation expires	Noted
12.01.23	OALC	Training zoom meeting	Forwarded to full council
12.01.23	SSE	Automatic reply to email	Noted
12.01.23	Playground Committee	Update and meeting	Actioned
12.01.23	Health Watch	New Executive Director	Noted
13.01.23	WODC Planning	Confirmation of comments 22/03414/HHD	Noted
13.01.23	WODC	Purchase Marriotts Walk	Forwarded to full council
13.01.23	Gigaclear	Meeting for discussion	Forwarded to full council
13.01.23	Robert Courts	Newsletter	Forwarded to full council & shop
14.01.23	Sawscape Play	Advert	Noted
16.01.23	Utility Aid	Microbusiness status – V centre	Actioned
16.01.23	Playground Committee	Meeting	Noted
16.01.23	Richard Martin	Any response from planning	Actioned
16.01.23	Scribe	Training	Noted
16.01.23	OALC	Emails down	Noted
17.01.23	RSN	Newsletter	Forwarded to full council
17.01.23	TVP	Grant for preventing crime	Noted
17.01.23	Arien Signs	Countryside signage	Noted
17.01.23	Platinum Garden	Quotes	Noted
18.01.23	Eslips	Invoice	Actioned
18.01.23	Char.gy	EV charging points	Noted
18.01.23	Complete Weed Control	Invoice	Actioned
18.01.23	Moore Allen	Statement	Actioned
18.01.23	Platinum Garden	Info required	Actioned
18.01.23	Playground committee	Meeting time	Noted
18.01.23	Playground Committee	Meeting time	Noted
18.01.23	Richard Martin	Date of next meeting	Actioned
18.01.23	Richard Martin	Use of village hall and roofing	Actioned
18.01.23	Platinum Garden	Response to info	Noted

Date	From	Subject	Action
19.01.23	Charity Commission	Confirmation of Return	Noted
19.01.23	WCCTV	Cameras for flytipping	Noted
19.01.23	ICO	Newsletter	Noted
19.01.23	Woodland Forest Trust	Newsletter	Noted
19.01.23	Michelle Heath	Meeting	Actioned
19.01.23	WODC	Feedback on consultation	Forwarded to full council
19.01.23	Andy McIntyre	Planning application	Forwarded to Planning Committee
20.01.23	Eibe	Playground equipment	Noted
20.01.23	WODC	Fine at Oxon Pub	Noted
20.01.23	Platinum Garden	Question on Grant application	Actioned
20.01.23	E slips	Payroll	Actioned
20.01.23	Scribe	Subscription invoice	Actioned
20.01.23	Village Shop	Acknowledgement re car park	Noted
23.01.23	Platinum Garden	Question on grant application	Actioned
23.01.23	Futureform	Benches	Forwarded to Plat Garden
23.01.23	SSE	Quotation Light 5	Actioned
23.01.23	SSE	Quotation Light 12	Actioned
23.01.23	ICO	Events	Noted
23.01.23	SSE	Quotation Light 14	Actioned
23.01.23	RSN	Newsletter	Forwarded to full council
23.01.23	EV Charge	Electric points	Noted
23.01.23	Scribe	Training	Noted
24.01.23	WCCTV	CCTV	Noted
24.01.23	Cottesway Housing	Website survey	Noted
24.01.23	OCC	Tree planting	Actioned
24.01.23	Playground Committee	Acknowledgement of meeting	Noted
24.01.23	OCC	Councillor Priority Fund confirmation	Noted
25.01.23	Microsoft 365	Renewal	Actioned
26.01.23	SSE	Account added	Noted
26.01.23	WODC	Village Centre Grant	Noted
26.01.23	ICO	Data Protection newsletter	Noted
26.01.23	Healthwatch Oxfordshire	Newsletter	Circulated to full council
26.01.23	Police Commissioner	Newsletter	Circulated to full council
27.01.23	Cottesway Housing	To their residents	Noted
27.01.23	Robert Courts	Newsletter	Circulated to full council

Date	From	Subject	Action
27.01.23	WODC	Polling day staff	Noted
30.01.23	Parish Online	Receipt for payment	Noted
30.01.23	WODC	Coronation arrangements for community events	Circulated to village organisations
30.01.23	Scribe	Stress management for Clerks	Noted
30.01.23	OALC	Allotment management training	Noted
31.01.23	Scribe	Confirmation of subscription	Noted
31.01.23	RSN	Newsletter	Circulated to full council
31.01.23	RSN	Survey posters	Printed
01.02.23	OALC	Newsletter	Circulated to full council
01.02.23	Eibe	Play equipment	Noted
01.02.23	Scribe	Training	Noted
01.02.23	RSN	Newsletter	Circulated to full council
01.02.23	CFO	Membership Form	Actioned
01.02.23	Parish Online	Newsletter	Noted
01.02.23	OALC	Chairmans meeting	Forwarded to Chair
02.02.23	Playground Committee	Meeting	Noted
02.02.23	WODC	Election meeting for Clerks	Noted

The Filkins Experience

First, five bits of back-story that will come in later...

A For various identifiable reasons, like the absence of a traditional manor or a squire, Filkins has, for centuries, been an unusually entrepreneurial village. The VCH records that even as agricultural jobs declined, they were replaced by far more new jobs here than in similar sized villages.

B Partly reflecting this entrepreneurial spirit, and partly because of patronage, the public realm is particularly developed here. As evidence, our parish council tax at twice the average across West Oxfordshire, ranks 13th highest tax of the 63 precepting parishes in the district. The 12 higher spending are mostly either larger towns or parishes currently undertaking Big Projects. In Filkins & Broughton Poggs it is mostly to pay for what we've already got.

C In the 1980s, Old George Swinford used to say *'life isn't lived on the streets anymore.'* For years, I thought he meant simply that people used to spend more time out of doors, but I came to realise that he meant that people used to live in the village hall, the church, the pub, the shops, and the streets, and went to their homes for food and rest. Now people no longer move to the village, but move to a property, from which they venture out to visit the village, rather than live in it.

D Filkins & Broughton Poggs remains more active than many villages, but participation in parish affairs is more siloed than previously (ie more restricted to particular interests), there are fewer village organisations (*witness: less than 10% of total village hall income now comes from hires by village organisations*), and there is a growing expectation that needs should be catered for by others, rather than an expectation to pitch in.

E Some years ago, a Japanese Canadian visited CWW. He was a seasoned traveller to the UK, hiring a car and travelling around. He knew the Cotswolds pretty well. He bought some stuff in our shop, put it in his car boot, and brought the tail gate down on his head, cutting it rather badly. We drove him and his car down to Burford Cottage Hospital, and left him there to be sewn up. Six weeks later, he sent us a letter saying what a fantastic experience cutting his head, going to the hospital and having his head sewn up had been. For the first time ever, he had truly felt part of an *'English community'*.

And so to... 'The Filkins Experience'

Project aim

Both day visitors and night stayers, both UK and overseas-based, to areas like the West Oxfordshire Cotswolds wish in some sense to 'belong' to the places they visit. They are no longer looking for shows, they are looking for experiences.

So the project aim is to give visitors a multi-faceted experience of a Cotswold village, tailored where necessary to to group and individual requirements.

The project would bring together the opportunities visitors to Filkins can enjoy, including (among many other ideas!):

Walks around the village, with unobtrusive signage, guidebooks, and sometimes villagers as guides. The walks could be in the village, around and along circular walks, or further afield tours around other villages, churches etc. By car, bicycle, or on foot.

Encouraging, developing, and co-ordinating visits to, and use of our churches, shops, pub, museum, and other facilities.

Historical re-enaction, talks, demonstrations, and exhibitions. Special use, by arrangement of the Village Hall and other facilities for group and family events, lunches, teas, and meetings.

'The Filkins Experience' has the makings of exactly the sort of locally-inspired and locally-manned initiative, incorporating all the local talent, experience, and resource, that has been tried very successfully in towns and cities.

Together, we could do the same here in rural Filkins & Broughton Poggs.

Reward

Individual participants... stakeholders, organisations and facilities work co-operatively, benefit financially, and thus increase resilience... and benefit the village generally.

Certainly building on the excellent present activity, developing it further, and for sure originating new activity.

Social interaction and cohesion within the village increases.

New ideas, businesses and connections are encouraged.

It is an opportunity for the village to consider what works, what does doesn't, what could work, what couldn't... and to think and plan co-operatively for our future together.

Outside of the village... The village can continue, as it does already to some extent, as a hub providing facilities to other villages, and could extend this.

The project might come to show what is possible in this rural village, and act as a beacon encouraging further action elsewhere.

Why Filkins?

The twin villages of Filkins & Broughton Poggs are attractive, and have good infrastructure and history as a basis for the project:

- Good road connections in and out.

- Its main street (now by-passed) was once the main A361, and retains above average public space for a village of its size.

- Available opportunities to create unobtrusive parking capacity.

- A long and interesting parish/village history: including two contrasting churches, and many attractive buildings and vistas.

- Associations with known characters, including, for instance, Lewis Carroll, a frequent visitor.

- Residents, especially Stafford Cripps, provided both interesting association, but also significant infrastructure, including a public swimming pool and playground, and input on planning that encouraged social cohesion.

- A village museum, community shop, and bowls green.

- A strong existing resource in village-originated 'memories': *The Jubilee Boy*, postcard book, guidebooks etc, and more source material in the museum.

- A particularly versatile and attractive village hall with additional available outside space.

- A well-known public house with rooms.

- A long-established visitor-attraction business.

- Other businesses that might see a reason to join the project.

The Parish Council, and other village institutions that have good experience and track record as managers of this infrastructure over the last century.

The entrepreneurial tradition has always helped the village adapt to changing circumstances, and to seize new opportunities.

Even with the decline of farm employment, more people work in the village than have ever worked here... A most unusual circumstance in such a village.

There is an excellent spread of public and private institutions, companies, and facilities as a basis for the project.

It is because things already happen, that they can happen better.

Possible Active participants:

At this time the traditional public provision (ie county and district council) of services cannot keep pace with demand and changing behaviour, village councils do not have the experience or resources, and the private sector may well have the experience, but not a tradition of combined action.

But together, a locally inspired and manned initiative incorporating all the local talent, experience, and resource could be the best possible way forward.

Possible participant village organisations include:

Allotment Group
Bowls Club
Children's playground
Colvin & Moggridge
Cotswold Woollen Weavers
Ernest Cook Trust
Farms (Pearce and Goodenough)
Fiennes Restoration
Filkins Nursery
Five Alls
Gardening Club
Oxleaze Barn
Morley Harps
Parish Council
St Filica Society
St Peter's Churches
Swimming Pool
Swinford Museum
Theatre Club
Value For Money Co
Various artists and craft makers
Village Hall
Village Shop

That is not an exhaustive list, and there will, of course, also be opportunities for new groups, businesses, and individuals.

Project Management

There would, of course, be a management group to co-ordinate the project.

Project cost

The bulk of the 'cost' will come in the shape of existing facility, local manpower, and local organisational input. However, external money will help to prime the pump, and get the project moving:

- Adaptation/improvement of existing facilities
- Printing and signage
- Marketing
- Administration

There is currently funding opportunities for exactly these sorts of rural projects, and I have already had very useful discussions with Will Barton at WODC.

I have very deliberately kept this introduction about direction, rather than specific project targets. But I hope you can see the possibilities. Anyway... in essence, that is '***The Filkins Experience***'.

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