

Great Milton Parish Council

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To the Chairman and members of Great Milton Parish Council

Dear Councillor

I hereby give you notice that the meeting of Great Milton Parish Council will be held in the Pavilion on **15 April 2019** at **7.30pm**.

Public and Press are welcome to attend.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Timothy Darch

Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer to Great Milton Parish Council

AGENDA

01/19 Apologies for Absence

Apologies have been received in advance from Cllr Steve Harrod (Chairman).

02/19 Variation of order of business

03/19 Declarations of member's Interest (if any)

To receive declarations of interest in matters on the Agenda.

04/19 Matters to Report

To receive reports from the police, County Councillor, District Councillor and any other local representatives as appropriate.

05/19 Correspondence and Public Discussion

To receive items of correspondence and take questions from the public.

06/19 Planning Applications

A To consider the following planning applications received from SODC.
P19/S0677/FUL (Coach House, Milton Lodge, Lower End, Great Milton). Remove condition 6 from application ref P14/S2675/FUL and to create the new hard standing for the parking of cars.

P19/S1035/FUL (The Bull, The Green, Great Milton). External stores and associated picket fence.

Given that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council are also members of the Committee of The Great Milton Community Pub Company Limited, the Parish Council will not comment on these applications to avoid any potential conflict of interest. However local residents are encouraged to submit their own comments directly to SODC.

B To review any planning decisions received and any outstanding planning matters.
P19/S0013/FUL (Welcome Break Oxford Thame Road Waterstock OX33 1LJ). Extension to existing HGV park and associated works. (As amplified by additional drainage information received 24 January 2019 and Swept Path Analysis drawing received 15 February 2019). Planning permission is GRANTED for the works described above.

07/19 Minutes of the previous meeting

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 18th March 2019.

08/19 Financial Resolutions

A To authorise cheques for payment:

Timothy Darch. Salary, Tax and Expenses. £461.88

Jonathan Dudley. Bulletin production April £tbc

Recreation ground insurance premium: £930.89

SODC dog hygiene: £65.48

Maple Tree Children's Centre annual grant (as agreed at minute 12/19). £500

Jenks Oxford (Tree maintenance): £768

Gillett and Johnstone (Church clock service): £206.40

B To receive and approve the final reconciliation, bank statement and accounts for 2018-19.

C To review and subsequently approve the Council's draft Standing Orders (April 2019).

D To review and subsequently approve the Council's Financial Regulations (April 2019).

E To review and subsequently approve the Council's Risk Management document (April 2019).

F To review and subsequently approve the required insurance cover for the Parish Council's policy in advance of renewal, including consideration of coverage for various items belonging to the History Society in the Community Room at The Bull.

G To note that given expenditure and income of less than £25,000 in the financial year 2018-19, the Parish Council wishes to declare itself exempt from the requirement for a limited assurance review. To ask the Vice-Chairman to sign the Certificate of Exemption in the Chairman's absence.

H To review and agree the proposed dates for Great Milton Parish Council's internal/external audit activities:

- Internal Audit (commenced April 2019)
- Signing of Certificate of Exemption (AGAR Part 2): Monday 15 April 2019
- Approval of AGAR Part 2 (including Internal Audit, Annual Governance Statement and Accounting Statements): Monday 21 May 2019
- Exercise of public rights – Tuesday 18 June to Tuesday 30 July 2019
- All required information to be displayed on website by 1 July
- Exemption Certificate to be with Moore Stephens by 28 June.

09/19 Parish Clerk and Councillors' update of matters in hand

- The village litter-pick on Saturday 23 March was attended by 15 residents, to whom thanks are extended as well as to Ant Reeve of LASSCO for the use of his van for collection of bags from remote locations. Around 30 bags of rubbish were retrieved from the village's hedges and verges.
- The speed monitoring device will shortly be returned to the police for use elsewhere but will return later in the year when an opportunity arises.

10/19 Stiles: footpath from Pitts Green (Swarebrook) to Waterstock

To report any further progress on the issue of stile replacement/repair.

11/19 Volunteer car scheme to Wheatley

At the moment a lack of volunteers means that the proposed car scheme linking with the 280 at Wheatley unfortunately cannot go ahead at present: however residents have suggested that efforts are diverted towards lobbying for the Oxford Bus Company Pick Me Up demand-responsive bus service to include Great Milton in its area of coverage.

12/19 **Suggested 50mph speed limits on Windmill Hill/Sworford Lane**

Radar devices have been erected by the County Council on Sworford Lane and Windmill Hill to assess speeds on these sections of road. The results have been received and are as follows:

Sworford Lane (Lower End-April Cottage)
4 days of data (battery failure)
TOTAL VEHICLE MOVEMENTS: 4118
Vehicles 51-60mph: 101
Vehicles 61mph+: 1

Windmill Hill (Views Farm-The Forties)
7 days of data
TOTAL VEHICLE MOVEMENTS: 13541
Vehicles 51-60mph: 1324
Vehicles 61-70 mph: 106
Vehicles 71+ mph: 5

In summary, although there are clearly instances of exceeding the speed limit (112 out of 17,659 movements) this is not sufficient to justify the many thousands of pounds it would cost to fund a reduction in the speed limit if not suggested by OCC on road safety grounds.

13/19 **Parish and District Council Elections**

Parish and District Council elections are taking place on Thursday May 2nd. The Parish Council election will not be contested as no more nominees have come forward over and above the seven existing councillors. The Statement of Persons Nominated has been displayed on the village noticeboards: the Notice of Poll will be displayed in the week commencing 22 April. Please contact Tim Darch (Parish Clerk) if you need any further information on the election process.

14/19 **SODC Local Plan 2034**

The South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2034 and associated documents have been submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination. The Local Plan and its supporting studies set out SODC's vision for South Oxfordshire and identify where housing, retail and employment land should be located, as well as the infrastructure required to support this growth, such as new roads, schools, health services and utilities. All documents, alongside other core supporting documents, are available for inspection at:

- SODC's offices 135 Eastern Avenue Milton Park, Milton, OX14 4SB weekdays from 8.30am until 5.00pm (4.30pm Fridays);
- www.southoxon.gov.uk/newlocalplan
- Public libraries in the district during normal opening hours.

The South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2034 will now be subject to an independent examination to be conducted by the Planning Inspectorate. This is a continuous process which runs from the date of submission to the publishing of the Inspector's Report. This process will include hearing sessions which provide an opportunity for those invited to attend to respond to matters raised by the Planning Inspector. More details of this process can be found at www.southoxon.gov.uk/lp2034examination.

15/19 **Refurbishment of bus shelter at Milton Common**

The bus shelter is in a sorry state. Quotes for replacement of the perspex windows have been received and Cllr Harrod in his role as County Councillor has offered to fund half the cost via his Community Fund if the Parish Council can match fund the remaining cost. The cost of repainting the shelter via the shelter maintenance company is unaffordable, but other options are being explored.

The next meeting of Great Milton Parish Council will be held on Monday 20 May 2019 immediately following the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, which will start at 7.30pm.