

## **NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 4 JUNE 2018**

### **Comments Raised by Parishioners**

- The owners of Winrush and Venta said that several accidents have occurred on the sharp bend outside their houses, causing damage to their property (and to cars parked on their property). The owners suggested that improved, illuminated signage would warn people of the very sharp bend. The PC agreed to take this up with WBC (see below).
- There is a large ash tree near to the playground on the Rec. A question was raised on the safety of this tree.

### **Annual Accounts**

The PC Accounts for the year to 31 March 2018 were presented to council. The accounts are available for public inspection on the website. They are now submitted for external auditing, and anyone can comment on the accounts within a period of 30 days (see the notice on the boards for details).

A comparison of Actual Income/Expenditure with the budget is given below:

	Budget	Actual
Income	£27,500	£30,300
Expenditure	£60,800	£48,700
Deficit	£28,100	£11,800

The budget had assumed a large deficit due to spending on Capital Projects (eg playground equipment and footpath improvements). In fact the deficit was less than budget due to cost savings, and some projects were postponed to this year. Income was higher than budget, as we were able to get some more grants for the projects.

### **Highways**

The PC has no direct responsibility for highways, but it can make representation to WBC (either directly or through our District Councillor, Keith Chopping). The PC will take the following matters up with WBC:

- Sharp bend near the Stocks (junction with Stoneyfields) – particularly as several accidents have occurred.
- A4 Junction – particularly as many new houses are almost complete.
- Mini-roundabout at The Stocks – vehicles come round on wrong side of road.

- Parking on pavements, and in other places that causes and obstruction for pedestrians.

Anyone can report highway issues on the WBC website at [http://www.westberks.gov.uk/servicerequests/describe\\_case.aspx?lev=0](http://www.westberks.gov.uk/servicerequests/describe_case.aspx?lev=0) . This is much easier than it was, and it does get a response. Typical issues are potholes, long grass on verges at junctions, and overgrown footpaths.

### **Fly-tipping**

Some fly-tipping has been reported in Aldermaston Wharf. This is illegal, and should be reported to WBC (large-scale dumping can also be reported to the police).

### **Planning Matters**

There were no planning applications this month.

***The next Parish Council meeting is on Monday 2 July 2018 starting at 7.00pm in the Community Room. All parishioners are welcome to attend.***

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