

**HORLEY PARISH COUNCIL – MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
12 November 2015**

**PRESENT: Chairman Simon Attfield, Cllrs Bob Barnwell, Martin Hamer,
Jennifer Cross, Graham Curd, Duncan Raper, John Tite, Clerk to the Council
David Marriott. In attendance County Councillor George Reynolds.**

Item		Action
1	Apologies for absence District Councillor Douglas Webb sent his apologies.	
2	Declarations of interests None	
3	Minutes of the meetings held on 13 August 2015 Approved, proposed by Cllr Attfield, seconded by Cllr Barnwell	
4	Matters Arising <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Further feedback from Carlie Lee regarding youth activities awaited. 2. The possible use of the County Council land adjacent to the Old Council Houses for car parking was discussed. It was agreed that the Clerk should make enquiries of the County Council as to whether the land could be acquired by the Council for these purposes. It was noted that a stopping up order would be required. 3. It was noted that the weekly subsidised bus service to Banbury will be coming to an end next year, as the County Council have decided to withdraw funding. It was agreed that the Council should make enquiries to establish whether there are villagers who are prepared to participate in a community lift share scheme, to assist anyone without transport of their own. 	<p>Cllr Attfield</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
5	Oxfordshire County Council budget savings The report was noted. It was agreed that the Council should not enter into any agreement with the County Council to take on the responsibility for maintaining highway verges, but will monitor the condition of these and may arrange for additional cutting to be carried out as and when necessary.	Clerk
6	Finance – 2015/16 budget monitoring report The report was noted. The draft budget for 2016/17 was approved as set out, with the precept remaining at £6,225. It was noted that John Naysmith has indicated his interest in making a donation arising from Horleyfest, and it was agreed that Cllr Hamer should suggest that he might wish to make a contribution towards the cost of acquiring the defibrillator. Grant applications were considered from OxBEL and Oxfordshire Association for the Blind, and it was agreed that £25 be donated to both charities.	<p>Cllr Hamer</p> <p>Clerk</p>
7	Kerbing works in Wroxton Lane It was noted that the County Council require a temporary road closure in order to undertake the work, and are now programming the work to commence in February 2016	

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8	<p>Aquisition of a defibrillator It was noted that the defibrillator has been installed, and that a public training session will take place at the Old School at 7.30pm on 18 November.</p>	
9	<p>Speeding Through the Village It was noted that the County Council has undertaken a traffic and speed monitoring exercise in Hornton Lane, and the date received from the County Council was considered. The majority of vehicles had been recorded as travelling within the speed limit, and most of those exceeding the limit were travelling no faster than 35 mph. It was agreed that no action to slow traffic was required, and that the Council should publicise the outcome of this survey. The County Council had commented on the speed of traffic crossing the bridge on Banbury Lane, and have indicated that they are prepared to erect warning signs designed to slow vehicles approaching the bridge in both directions. They would hope to have funds available to repaint the white lines next year. It was agreed that the County Council be asked to undertake this work following a vote, with four members in favour and one against.</p>	Clerk Clerk
10	<p>Planning Report A report setting out the applications on which the Council has been consulted since the last meeting, and the Council's response to those consultations, was noted. It was noted that further concerns have been raised regarding the stone surface put down recently on the access track leading to the site of application number 15/00499/F (subsequently withdrawn). The Council had raised its concerns with Cherwell District Council in the past, and understands that they do not consider any action to be appropriate.</p>	
11	<p>Horley Views Website A report showing the number of visits to the Council's pages on the site was noted. It was agreed that the registration costs incurred by Debra Fox totalling £27 for 2014 and 2015 be reimbursed. The Council confirmed that they are very happy with the way the site is run, and have no improvements to suggest. It was agreed that their thanks be passed on to the site administrators, Debra Fox and Di Marriott</p>	Clerk Clerk
12	<p>Reports from External Organisations None.</p>	
13	<p>Date of Next Meeting 11 February 2016 – 7.30pm</p>	All to note
14	<p>Any other urgent business Cllr Hamer mentioned that the dog bin at the corner of Church Lane and Little Lane is on the ground, and probably needs a new post. Cllrs Hamer and Curd agreed to deal with the issue, and Cllr Cross indicated that she has a spare post which can be used if necessary.</p>	Cllrs Hamer & Curd

MEETING CLOSED AT 8.50PM