**Present:** Chair Liz Collas (LC) Martin Wise (MW) Michael Holland (MH) Hilary Dewey(HD) Peter Dragonetti

**In attendance:** Amanda Holland (AH) ( Clerk )

1. **Apologies for Absence**: None
2. **Declarations of Interest.** None
3. **Public Forum**.
4. **To Approve the Minutes** of the last meeting of the Council on Tuesday November 8th 2022. Approved.
5. **Matters arising** from those minutes not on the agenda elsewhere. None.
6. **Correspondence for Information**. Cllr Taz Moghul has formally resigned from the parish Council due to pressure from other commitments. Thanks were expressed for all his hard work especially on the new IT and it was decided to ask him to remain in an advisory role for the new IT System. The Department of Transport Inquiry regarding the expansion of HGV licenced activity for Hazell and Jeffries has been cancelled.
7. **District Councillors and County Councillors Report.** Circulated and approved with thanks.
8. **Key areas requiring discussion**:

* **Status on Traffic Management Initiatives.** Cllr Holland reported that we are waiting for speed check.

The scheme is supported by Cllr Diana xx from Whitchurch on Thames. MW reported that Speedwatch Volunteers have been operating on the B471 recently and thanks were noted.

* **Drainage Issues across the Parish.** After discussion it was agreed to continue to report drainage issues

via Fix My Street.

* **The Precept 2023/4.** After discussion a vote was taken to decide whether to decrease the precept for

2023/2024.The vote was undecided at 3 votes to 3. It was agreed to draw up further details to

be collated before the next meeting when another vote would be taken in January.

1. **Governance matters.**

* The Finance Report and Bank statement for November was circulated, reviewed and approved.
* Register of Interests. It was noted that most Cllrs have returned forms to SODC.

1. **Maintenance.**

* **Grass and Maintenance Contract.** The contract has been sent to A and W grounds for signature.

The PCC are considering MW proposals for the continuing maintenance of the hedge between

the Recreation Ground and the Church/ graveyard.

* **Footpaths and Rights of Way.** The footpath between Crays Pond and Shirvells Hill was discussed.

Airband have made an attempt to bank up the chamber cover to protect against trip hazard.

HD reported that a five bar gate at Haws Farm had recently been padlocked denying access to a public footpath. LC to check with the landowner.

* **Playgrounds.** Arrow are drawing up an estimate for the required works to the Multi Play unit.
* **Crays Pond**. MW reported that works to desilt and clear the willow scrub would be discussed on site on December 20th with chosen contractors. MW agreed to also contact Tree Surgeons to clear access for the works and to discuss our tri-annual parish tree survey to be completed before March.

1. **The Newsletter /Website/Social Media**. It was agreed to seek an Editorfor the February issue.
2. **The Parish Hall**. PB reported on the installation of the new generator to the rear of the hall.
3. **Planning and Unauthorised Developments.**

**[P22/S3984/HH](https://data.southoxon.gov.uk/ccm/support/Main.jsp?MODULE=ApplicationDetails&REF=P22/S3984/HH)** The Slabs Whitchurch Hill RG8 7NU Oak framed garage in the garden and to install solar panels on the west facing roof on the house. No Strong Views.

**[P22/S4172/HH](https://data.southoxon.gov.uk/ccm/support/Main.jsp?MODULE=ApplicationDetails&REF=P22/S4172/HH)** The Deepings Hill Bottom Whitchurch Hill RG8 7PT

Single storey rear extension and new raised roof with flat roof dormer to rear. Insertion of new roof windows to front elevation and new porch. No Strong Views.

[**P22/S4065/N8A**](https://data.southoxon.gov.uk/ccm/support/Main.jsp?MODULE=ApplicationDetails&REF=P22/S4065/N8A) Mount Pleasant Farm Goring Heath RG8 7TB

The installation of 156 x 415W solar PV panels onto the existing roof. No Strong Views.

**[P22/S3996/FUL](https://data.southoxon.gov.uk/ccm/support/Main.jsp?MODULE=ApplicationDetails&REF=P22/S3996/FUL)** Ladygrove Shaw Goring Heath RG8 7RR Erection of agricultural barn. Objection.

**[P22/S3797/HH](https://data.southoxon.gov.uk/ccm/support/Main.jsp?MODULE=ApplicationDetails&REF=P22/S3797/HH)** Green Gables Goring Heath Road Whitchurch Hill RG8 7PG

Demolition of the existing kitchen extension. Erection of single storey rear extension. Removal of a central support pier in the existing lounge. Re pointing existing chimneys, replacing the decorative pots & replacing the existing properties roof covering with a similar roof tile. No Strong Views.

**[P22/S3507/HH](https://data.southoxon.gov.uk/ccm/support/Main.jsp?MODULE=ApplicationDetails&REF=P22/S3507/HH)** Stapnalls Farm Coldharbour Goring Heath RG8 7SZ

Removal of existing single bay garage and erection of 2 bay oak framed garage with home office. NSV

**[P22/S3517/DA](https://data.southoxon.gov.uk/ccm/support/Main.jsp?MODULE=ApplicationDetails&REF=P22/S3517/DA)** No 1 Enigma Estate Cold Harbour Goring Heath RG8 7SZ. Under consideration.

1. **Councillors Reports and Items for future agenda.** MW reported that there will be a working party in the

car park next to the Parish Hall on January 14th to clear and maintain. All welcome.

The meeting ended at 10pm.

To confirm the date of the next meeting: Tuesday January 10th 2023 at 8pm.