

## Ogwell Parish Council Meeting August 9th 2021

**Present : Chair S Reynolds, Deputy Chair T Flower and Parish Councillors M Lant, P Martin, K Farrell-Wright, S McGrath, A Hall and P Wynter**

**Also present County Councillor S Parker-Khan together with 5 parishioners**

The Chairman welcomed the new County Councillor Sarah Parker-Khan and new Parish Councillor Sue McGrath.

**Apologies** District Councillors Richard Daws and Mary Colclough

**Declarations** - Members to declare any interests in matters for discussion.

**Minutes** The Minutes of the July Parish Council meeting approved and signed by the Chairman.

**Report from County and District Councillors** - Sarah Parker Khan introduced herself as the new County Councillor and expressed herself willing to help in any areas involving Devon County Council. She mentioned the National Bus Strategy which will be out for consultation later in the year and also mentioned access to Chapter 8 training under the P3 Scheme. The perennial Speed Hump problem was touched upon and she hopes that these will be replaced by tarmac humps when funding allows. The Lollipop person on Ogwell Road will no longer be employed as the number of crossings has been found to be too low. However there is hope that a Zebra Crossing will be put in place in the future. Sarah confirmed that she has already found some funding to allow the Pre-School to pay for sound proofing and dividers at the Memorial Hall.

**Planning Notifications** 21/01695/HOU – 19 Abbotswood – Single storey rear extension and lowered extended deck area to rear – This is a re-application originally made last year and refused by Teignbridge, now put forward with the decking somewhat lowered. However, due to the steeply sloping nature of the site, the decking will still result in unacceptable overlooking and would still have an overbearing impact on the property to the rear, namely 9 Cleaveland Rise. For this reason the Councillors agreed that we should put forward an objection in these terms.

21/01496/HOU – 56 Reynell Road – Creation of balcony and steps down to garden with store under. This is on a sizable site and will have no impact on neighbours, therefore no adverse comments.

[Action Point Response to TDC re 19 Abbotswood](#)

**Play Areas –To confirm timescale for MUGA installation at Dawes Close**

Thanks to Cllr Colclough for her help in obtaining the Section 106 monies which have now arrived in the Bank account amounting to £26,641.29. An updated quotation from AGI has been agreed and we hope to see the installation in place before too long. It was agreed that a leaflet drop to inform residents living close to the site would be a courtesy and Cllrs. Farrell-Wright and Martin will arrange to print and distribute. There will be an update in the Parish Magazine.

[Action point – Leaflet drop](#)

**Receive updates from from Working Parties and Coronavirus Emergency** - Cllr Wynter advised that the emergency response is now wound up due to cessation of demand and reduction in volunteers, now mostly returned to work. The Chairman thanked Pauline and her team for their efforts during the emergency situation which we hope is now on the wane.

There were no new reports for the Shop Project, which is due to meet in October and Ogwild is to review the care of the small Green in September.

**To confirm the response submitted to Teignbridge Local Plan Review 2020-2040** Our response was emailed on Friday 6th August to Teignbridge and an acknowledgement received. A hard copy of the response was hand delivered to Teignbridge on Friday 6th August by the Clerk. It was agreed that our response would be made available on the Website. The Chairman thanked Cllr. Flower for his hard work in putting together the response and to the Councillors for their contributions to the finished document. The Chairman mentioned the fact that sites suggested for future development in Ogwell are listed as part of greater Newton Abbot/Heart of Teignbridge and we objected to this in our response, seeing it as an attempt to split our Parish when it has always been the Parish Council's aim to bring the Community together.

**To Consider request from the Fair Committee to use the Green for a Summer Sundowner on September 4th** It was agreed that both Greens would be available for this event. Representatives of the Fair Committee and Ogwild met and discussed the use of the small green for parking and have agreed a programme to have an area cut and demarked for parking prior to September 4th.

**To consider pursuing a Parish Boundary change to include Denbury Road and Bunting Close**

Cllr Paul Martin has put together a report setting out the steps that must be taken before Boundary changes can be entertained. As a first step we must ascertain whether sufficient residents in the properties affected wish to be in Ogwild Parish rather than Newton Abbot. Therefore we will need to canvas the opinions of those involved and only take the next step if it is the wish of a sufficient proportion of the residents.

**Action point – Cllr Martin will organise a canvas of residents affected**

**Paths and Highways**

**Consider ongoing upkeep of Parish Paths** The paths are to be walked in September by Cllrs Lant and McGrath and we will enlist Simon Jones to look at any overgrown areas. Cllr. Lant advised that we are not presently part of the P3 Scheme as we have some £980 on the Parish Paths bank account which should be utilised before applying for grants towards work on the Paths. At present we ask DCC to carry out any necessary work but we could use contractors ourselves and also undertake Chapter 8 training applying for grants from DCC to cover.

**Parish Magazine Publication and Distribution Report** The September issue will be going to print shortly. More advertisers would be welcome to ensure costs continue to be covered.

**Facebook page and Website update** Cllr. Farrell-Wright advised that she intends to put on more posts but will consider blocking unwanted responses.

**Finance Report**

**BACS payments made and agreed since last Meeting** – J Turner £300.00 Cleaning Toilet Block, Simon Jones £130.00 Grass cutting,

£26,641.29 Received from Teignbridge being the Section 106 monies towards the MUGA installation at Dawes Close.

**Annual Accounts** - Annual Governance Return with the External Auditors.

**Urgent matters at the discretion of the Chairman**

**1. Quiz Night at the Memorial Hall** It is hoped to resurrect the Quiz night that used to take place at the Jolly Sailor in the Memorial Hall, perhaps on a monthly basis.

**Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be on September 13th 2021 at 7pm in the Memorial Hall, East Ogwild.

**Chairman**  
**13th September 2021**