

The following consultations are currently live. All residents are invited and very welcome to have their say by accessing the Let's Talk Oxfordshire site below.

| Consultation | Link to consultation | Closing date |
|--|--|--------------|
| Oxford United's request to lease land (Kidlington) | Let's Talk Oxfordshire | 22 February |
| Location of cameras to enforce traffic regulations | Let's Talk Oxfordshire | 2 March |
| Special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) | Let's Talk Oxfordshire | 10 March |
| Library and heritage services | Let's Talk Oxfordshire | 18 March |

05/02/22 To receive report of District Councillor

- Vale Newsletter each Friday
- COVID Hub is still active, supporting residents' requests and Test & Trace
- 25% of VWHDC staff are now working in the office
- There are now zero rough sleepers in the Vale of White Horse
- Cllr. Boyd still chasing re. Parish Council's concerns over landscaping responses on QE2 Field planning application – landscaping officer has not yet responded
- A new Planning Enforcement Statement has been issued, making the role of enforcement team and the process we follow clearer to the public
- Bow Rd – Horsecroft footpath – landowner has committed to clearing trees in preparation for footpath
- Cllr Boyd will chase VWHDC Property team for a fix date for the broken fencing on Farm Piece
- Cllr Boyd has chased VWHDC Enforcement regarding Lagan Homes finishing the roads and pavements on Croft Meadow.
- Cllr Boyd explained the 'called in' process for planning applications. Within 28 days, he can call the Planning Officer and if they are minded to approve the application, he can request that it goes to the Planning Committee for a decision.

06/02/22 Questions/comments from parishioners

None received

07/02/22 To receive report of Chairman inc. items for next agenda

- Following on from discussions about congestion outside the school (13/12/21) we had a meeting with the school and OCC to discuss potential solutions. Cllrs. Middleton and Warren in attendance. Mark Francis (OCC), Amanda Willis (headteacher) and Claire Lewis (Chair of Governors) also attended.
 - Temporary solutions to Hunter's Field parking (e.g. Parking Buddies) felt to be unworkable as they would require placement and collection twice a day and risk of damage or theft.
 - Banners felt to be of limited use (short-term impact only).
 - Suggestion to put bollards on the verge at Hunter's Field to prevent parking there. Approximate cost £1,000. Mark Francis (OCC) will send us a proposal and costing.
 - Possible longer-term option of a zebra crossing at the Hunter's Field entrance. May be helpful both in controlling parking and because the school is seeing increasing numbers of children arriving from the new developments to the west of the village. Mark Francis will look at the feasibility.
 - General feeling was that adding the proposed 'School – Keep Clear' signs outside the High Street entrance would be beneficial in reducing parking problems as long as the lines stretch far enough on the school side to confine parking to the opposite (Co-Op)

- side of the High Street. Cllr. Middleton to update Cllr. Lewis's sketch to add Keep Clear lines in so the Parish Council can review – see file HighStreet_Markup.pdf (attached to meeting papers).
- Poor surface finish following drainage repairs on High St needs to be addressed before any line painting. Cllr. Middleton will contact OCC.
- Parish Council will speak to the Co-Op/landlord about marked parking bays. Cllr Williams-Cuss to be asked to take this on
- Line painting proposals to be added to the next meeting's agenda.
- I have been in contact with the school Gardening Club to take up their offer to maintain the garden area in the play park and to organise a working party to make the area good. I'm currently awaiting a response.
- On 21 Jan, Cllrs Lewis, Isaacs and I discussed the meeting format as per resolution 17/10/21; we decided that, in light of continuing high case numbers in VWHDC (3665 as of 21 Jan 2022 compared to less than 2000 in Oct 21 – source: <https://covid.joinzoe.com>), the February meeting should be remote.
- I have replied to the parishioner who had been in contact with us about lack of street lighting at the Hunter's Field/Manor Crescent junction – see copy included in the meeting correspondence.
- I have received a request from the Football Club for an update on plans for the QEII Field. I've replied to suggest some dates and am waiting to hear back. I'll invite members of the Environment Sub-Committee once we have some potential dates.
- The club has also asked if there is any additional pitch space in the village and whether they might be able to put a 30x40 yard pitch in the park by the preschool. This was discussed in the meeting and agreed not to be suitable as potentially dangerous to young children playing in the park and removes a free play area.
- As mentioned above, I am in touch with OCC to complain about the poor surface finish to the drainage repairs outside the Co-Op.
- I am hoping that our DofE volunteer can start this month, starting with clearing the garden in the play area of weeds. I will be speaking to the parents and scheme administrator beforehand to confirm arrangements.
- Based on correspondence recovered from the litter bins, I shall be writing to specific residents reminding them that sacks of domestic waste should not be left in our bins.
- My thanks to Cllr Lewis for arranging felling of the tree at the football club and for once again pressing Thames Water for better planning of works in Bow Rd (see Clerk's report).

Additional matters raised by Councillors:

- Cllr. Warren asked about replacement noticeboards. Cllr. Lewis is chasing quotes.
- Cllr. Warren asked about fixing the Village Hall fence – Cllr. Lewis to ask Darren to fix.
- Cllr. Warren mentioned that the parishioner is still unhappy about lighting at the junction of Manor Crescent/Huntersfield. The parishioner will be signposted to OCC should he wish to take this further. It was also noted that a few of the houses have their own safety lighting, which he may wish to instal on his own property.

**08/02/22 To receive Clerk's Report and correspondence
Correspondence**

- Received the Bat Survey for planning application P21/V2334/FUL - Former Seven Acres Nursery Site Faringdon Road Stanford in the Vale
- Cllr. Ash has forwarded a reply from OCC Transport regarding the 67 bus timetable amendments

- A request has been received from Thames Water for a temporary road closure to apply to a section of Cottage Road for installation of a pressure monitoring point from the 21 March 2022 up to and including the 24 March 2022.
- Copied into complaint from resident to VOWDC Planning regarding Croft Meadow's lack of road completion. Have replied to inform that Cllr. Boyd is taking up with Planning Enforcement.
- Complaint received from resident regarding Thames Water's closure of Bow Road on January 14th and failure to remove signs on completion. Advised that the individual case was being chased and that the wider issue has been escalated within TW (see Clerk's report below).
- Residents of Cromwell House have forwarded a copy of a letter to VWHDC Conservation Officer in relation garden walls previously damaged by neighbour's large ash tree. Tree was felled in January last year and they are seeking support to get neighbours to appoint someone to dig out the roots so that the wall can be rebuilt. The complaint has been passed to Enforcement.
- Independent Remuneration Panel Parishes Report received from Paul Bateman, Democratic Services Officer at VWHDC setting out recommendations for councillor and chair allowances.
- Received inquiry from Genesis Planning on behalf of Miller Homes regarding the neighbourhood plan and land south of Ware Road. Forwarded to Neighbourhood Plan committee.

Clerk's report

- The casual vacancy notice was published on website and noticeboards on January 13th and runs to today. At that point, Electoral Services will inform us if an election is required. The Casual Vacancy will be advertised in the next Parish Newsletter, with the aim of co-opting a new Councillor at the April meeting
- Cllr. Lewis is in communication with George Mayhew, Director of Corporate Affairs at Thames Water regarding the lack of co-ordination and ownership of the works on Bow Rd. Mr Mayhew has apologised and promised to investigate and come back with a plan.
- Cllr. Lewis had to chase Thames Water's contractors to remove the road signage after the January 14th closure to clear Bow Road sewers. As they were not dated, much confusion was caused.
- Completed the Financial Procedures document, to be published on the website – clerk to keep copy of original "struck-through" copy to show where PC has deviated from the model orders
- VOWDC Planning are consulting on a [draft Joint Design Guide](#) which on how new developments can be designed and constructed to the highest quality and sustainability. Consultation runs from 18 January to 1st March and comments can be made via the [online comment form](#).

09/02/22

To discuss Planning Applications

P21/V3167/O – Land at Meadowlands, High Street – *Erection of two self-build dwellings*

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr. Isaacs

SECONDED BY Cllr. Bailey

IT WAS RESOLVED that the council objects to the application on the following grounds:

- Contrary to the Planning Statement, we believe that the nearest listed building is in fact Orchard House (Grade II*), which lies circa 75m to the south-west of the proposed site. However, the curtilage of the listed building is significantly closer. Immediately to the north-west of the proposed site lies the curtilage of Priors Close, which is Grade II Listed
- We find the character assessment particularly lacking - whilst we acknowledge there is a mix of development types within the village, the statement provides no detail as to how the key features have been incorporated into the proposed designs. Whilst accepting that this is an outline application, given the sensitive location of the site, the proximity to the conservation area and the potential impact that any development on this site could cause, we believe that

design and materials are fundamental to any proposals and as such an outline application cannot address this appropriately.

- HM Inspector of Planning Janet Wilson noted in the recent appeal "In the eastern part of the village where older buildings are found and, where the CA is located, development is generally loosely arranged but tends to be tight to the road frontages with only pockets of development set behind those frontages. Equally behind these frontages the built form quickly dissipates to open orchards and fields. The appeal site comprises an orchard/field which is well defined by mature trees and vegetation and is predominantly free from any structures save for a stable/utility building."
- HM Inspector also noted that development would be out of context in an area which is characteristically open and that it would "significantly encroach and harmfully alter the open rural character of the site". Considerable weight should therefore be given to the dismissal of the previous appeal.
- Further, as the proposal is for 2 self-build plots, there is no clarity as to how shared infrastructure/improvements e.g. PROW, access etc. will be delivered
- The application proposes to locate refuse collection points on site. Existing refuse collections do not access Green Lane due to the restricted width at the junction with High Street (as the applicant will be aware, having lived there for numerous years). The concept that the revised entrance (which makes no adjustments to the junction with High Street) is acceptable for this purpose is not credible.
- We note the content of the Transportation Statement and accompanying Technical Note. We highlight that this fails to consider the (very limited) sightlines for traffic ingress or egress from the existing private entrances along Green Lane (namely Anchor House, 5 High Street and, to an extent, Meadowlands). Nor does it describe, set out or demonstrate how pedestrians which may include unaccompanied minors, parents with pushchairs, dogwalkers and other vulnerable road users can be afforded suitable safety within the shared surface zone given that drivers entering the zone do not have visibility of the entire length and could therefore easily come into conflict with such users.
- Further no detail has been provided for the layout nor finishing of the proposed shared surface zone. This lies within the conservation area and it is therefore vital to ensure that this serves to preserve or enhance the setting of the conservation area, not urbanise it. Further, the suggestion of installing a rumble strip at the entrance between two historic buildings lacks credibility.
- During the previous planning appeal, the inspector found there to be numerous elements of policy harm, as well as harm to the wider setting of the conservation area and harm to the character and appearance of the site to its surroundings.
- The site also neighbours the ancient orchard to the rear of Orchard House (Grade II* Listed), located within the Conservation Area. Ancient orchards are widely recognised as a highly valuable habitat for wildlife, yet many have been lost or threatened in recent years throughout the UK. Indeed, traditional orchards are listed as a Habitat of Principal Importance in Section 41 of the NERC Act. Crucially, part of the application site (the south-western area in the vicinity of Plot A) has been planted out as a traditional orchard. Whilst the trees in question are, by comparison, relatively young, they will nevertheless aid biodiversity. The orchard on the proposed site is undoubtedly already helping to establish wildlife corridors between the ancient orchard, the meadow behind "Meadowlands" (application site) and Frogmore Brook beyond. Thus, we would contend that developing this site would cause considerable harm to the wider environment and the consequent loss of flora and fauna. We consider that HM Inspectorate of Planning should give great weight to Article 10 of the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010 which aims to safeguard areas which "are essential for the migration, dispersal and genetic exchange of wild species". Furthermore, this proposal would therefore be contrary

to NPPF Para 109 – “The planning system should contribute to and enhance the natural and local environment by minimising impacts on biodiversity and providing net gains in biodiversity where possible, contributing to the Government’s commitment to halt the overall decline in biodiversity, including by establishing coherent ecological networks that are more resilient to current and future pressures”.

- The application offers nothing in terms of renewables, nor does it seek to encourage alternative transport methods to the motor car, all of which are encouraged through NPPF and the local Design Guide.
- Red line boundary - we believe that the boundary shown in red does not all fall within the ownership of the applicant.

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr. Middleton

SECONDED BY Cllr. Isaacs

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT the Parish Council requests Cllr. Boyd to call in the application to the VOWHDC Planning Committee. Cllr. Middleton to contact Cllr Boyd.

P22/V0001/FUL – The Woodyard, Hatford – *Erection of a permanent worker’s dwelling*

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr. Middleton

SECONDED BY Cllr. Howes

IT WAS RESOLVED that the council objects to the application on the following grounds:
The new location, being significantly distanced from the equestrian facilities is no longer appropriately sited to fulfil the function for which it was first approved. Furthermore, we would reiterate that the scale of the building is not appropriate for a worker's dwelling.

P22/V1062/MPO – Nursery End – *Modification of planning obligation*

The PC has no comment

P21/V2334/FUL – Land at former Seven Acres Nursery, Faringdon Rd – *Full planning permission for 82 dwellings (amended plans)*

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr. Middleton

SECONDED BY Cllr. Bailey

IT WAS RESOLVED that the discussion be delegated to the Planning and Finance subcommittee to be held on Tuesday February 8th at 7.30pm

P21/V3524/FUL - Land West of Faringdon Road - *Variation on application P18/V2056/RM - changes to site layout*

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr. Lewis

SECONDED BY Cllr. Isaacs

IT WAS RESOLVED that the discussion be delegated to the Planning and Finance subcommittee to be held on Tuesday February 8th at 7.30pm

10/02/22 To approve accounts for payment

Stanford in the Vale Parish Council
Reconciliation Detail
 Current Account - TSB, Period Ending 31/01/22

| Type | Date | Num | Name | Memo | Clr | Amount | Balance |
|---------------------------------------|----------|---------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-----|-----------|-----------|
| Beginning Balance | | | | | | | 2,558.34 |
| Cleared Transactions | | | | | | | |
| Cheques and Payments - 7 items | | | | | | | |
| Bill Pmt -Cheque | 19/01/22 | Debit | SSE (Swalec) | | X | -114.46 | -114.46 |
| Bill Pmt -Cheque | 28/01/22 | Debit | Andrew Munns Tree Sur... | Remove damaged ash ... | X | -860.00 | -994.46 |
| General Journal | 28/01/22 | 2022-01 | Claire Lewis | 15hrs @ SCP 20 | X | -892.81 | -1,687.27 |
| General Journal | 28/01/22 | 2022-01 | HMRC - PAYE & NI | 15hrs @ SCP 20 | X | -204.82 | -1,892.09 |
| Bill Pmt -Cheque | 28/01/22 | Debit | N.Middleton | | X | -78.00 | -1,970.09 |
| Bill Pmt -Cheque | 28/01/22 | Debit | Ashridge Nurseries | 2x Oak Saplings | X | -45.48 | -2,015.57 |
| Bill Pmt -Cheque | 28/01/22 | Debit | SITV Village Hall | PC Dec 2021 | X | -20.35 | -2,035.92 |
| Total Cheques and Payments | | | | | | -2,035.92 | -2,035.92 |
| Deposits and Credits - 2 items | | | | | | | |
| Payment | 04/01/22 | | Stanford in the Vale FC | | X | 600.00 | 600.00 |
| Transfer | 12/01/22 | | | Funds Transfer | X | 5,000.00 | 5,600.00 |
| Total Deposits and Credits | | | | | | 5,600.00 | 5,600.00 |
| Total Cleared Transactions | | | | | | 3,564.08 | 3,564.08 |
| Cleared Balance | | | | | | 3,564.08 | 6,122.42 |
| Register Balance as of 31/01/22 | | | | | | 3,564.08 | 6,122.42 |
| New Transactions | | | | | | | |
| Cheques and Payments - 2 items | | | | | | | |
| Bill Pmt -Cheque | 04/02/22 | BACS | OALC | New Clerk Training | | -86.00 | -66.00 |
| Bill Pmt -Cheque | 21/02/22 | BACS | P.Lewis | 40A Dual Pole Contactor | | -19.99 | -85.99 |
| Total Cheques and Payments | | | | | | -85.99 | -85.99 |
| Total New Transactions | | | | | | -85.99 | -85.99 |
| Ending Balance | | | | | | 3,478.09 | 6,036.43 |

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr. Isaacs
 SECONDED BY Cllr. Bailey
 IT WAS RESOLVED that the accounts for payment be approved.

11/02/22 To approve Monthly Statement of Accounts

Stanford in the Vale Parish Council
Statement of Accounts - Summary
As of 31 January 2022

| | <u>31 Jan 22</u> | <u>31 Dec 21</u> |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Current Assets | | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | |
| Current Account - TSB | | |
| Reserves - NP | 145.10 | 145.10 |
| Reserves - S106 | 1,950.00 | 1,950.00 |
| Current Account - TSB - Other | 4,027.32 | 463.24 |
| Total Current Account - TSB | 6,122.42 | 2,558.34 |
| Redwood 35 Day Savings Account | | |
| Reserves - Play Equipment Savin | 750.00 | 750.00 |
| Reserves - CIL Savings | 7,476.14 | 7,476.14 |
| Reserves - NP Savings | 3,589.05 | 3,589.05 |
| Redwood 35 Day Savings Account -... | 8,149.97 | 13,131.61 |
| Total Redwood 35 Day Savings Account | 19,965.16 | 24,946.80 |
| Petty Cash | 0.10 | 0.10 |
| Total Cash at bank and in hand | 26,087.68 | 27,505.24 |
| Total Current Assets | 26,087.68 | 27,505.24 |
| NET CURRENT ASSETS | 26,087.68 | 27,505.24 |
| TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES | 26,087.68 | 27,505.24 |
| NET ASSETS | 26,087.68 | 27,505.24 |
| Capital and Reserves | 0.00 | 0.00 |

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr Warren

SECONDED BY Cllr. Bailey

IT WAS RESOLVED that the monthly Statement of Accounts was approved. All agreed.

12/02/22 To review performance against budget

Stanford in the Vale Parish Council
Income & Expenditure
 April 2021 through January 2022

| | Apr '21 - Jan 22 | Apr '20 - Jan 21 |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Ordinary Income/Expense | | |
| Income | | |
| Precept | 24,095.00 | 23,700.00 |
| Grants Received | | |
| CIL Grants | 5,191.02 | 0.00 |
| S106 Grants | 1,950.00 | 0.00 |
| Grants Received - Other | 600.00 | 6,297.00 |
| Total Grants Received | 7,741.02 | 6,297.00 |
| Agency Work - Grass Cutting | 2,780.20 | 2,780.20 |
| Donations Received | 0.00 | 156.00 |
| Interest on Investments | 214.04 | 294.69 |
| Rent Received | 1,934.00 | 1,987.33 |
| Total Income | 36,764.26 | 35,215.22 |
| Expense | | |
| Neighbourhood Plan | | |
| Hall Hire | 0.00 | 6.90 |
| Total Neighbourhood Plan | 0.00 | 6.90 |
| General Administration | | |
| Postage | 0.00 | 2.50 |
| Election Costs | -554.89 | 0.00 |
| Hall Hire | 84.60 | 0.00 |
| Insurance | 1,377.68 | 1,356.56 |
| Membership Fees | 395.22 | 310.80 |
| Office Expenses | 100.00 | 246.68 |
| Telephone & Fax | 153.55 | 267.08 |
| Training & Education | 165.00 | 20.00 |
| Total General Administration | 1,721.16 | 2,203.62 |
| Salaries,Wages, Clerks Expenses | | |
| Cleaning Wages | 780.00 | 797.82 |
| Strimming Wages | 584.25 | 384.75 |
| Maintenance Wages | 304.00 | 851.00 |
| Mowing Wages | 1,382.25 | 1,296.75 |
| Clerks Salary | 5,631.91 | 8,665.68 |
| Clerks PAYE | 1,419.94 | 2,166.20 |
| Employer NI | 261.22 | 507.80 |
| Total Salaries,Wages, Clerks Expe... | 10,363.57 | 14,670.00 |
| Capital Spending | | |
| Leisure & Recreation | 0.00 | 161.15 |
| Other Community Assets | 45.48 | 104.80 |
| Total Capital Spending | 45.48 | 265.95 |
| Running Costs | | |
| QEII Field | 375.00 | 730.00 |
| Equipment Service/Repair | 503.84 | 539.99 |
| Greens & Gardens | 1,671.76 | 563.04 |
| Health & Safety | 880.00 | 0.00 |
| Leisure & Recreation | 541.99 | 361.21 |
| Mower & Strimmer Expenses | 342.40 | 267.50 |
| Repairs & Sundries | 72.08 | 479.36 |
| Total Running Costs | 4,387.07 | 2,941.10 |
| Legal & Professional Fees | 18,762.12 | 16,769.15 |
| Donations | 60.00 | 60.00 |
| Total Expense | 35,339.40 | 36,916.72 |
| Net Ordinary Income | 1,424.86 | -1,701.50 |
| Profit for the Year | 1,424.86 | -1,701.50 |

Cllr. Lewis presented the current budget. The costs for the clerk are lower this FY as there were several months without a clerk. Capital spending is low due to supplier delays. Dealing with the damaged ash tree at the Football Ground and trimming of the hedges in the QEII field have pushed greens and gardens running costs significantly higher than last year. The Legal and Professional fees relate to work for the QEII field. The budget is in a good position, although expected to make a loss for the full financial year.

13/02/22 To vary Standing Orders

The existing standing orders are significantly outdated. Cllr, Lewis is tabling a motion to vary the orders in line with SO17 so that the Council will have the opportunity to review and vary them at the next meeting.

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr Lewis

SECONDED BY Cllr. Isaacs

IT WAS RESOLVED that the Standing Orders be varied in line with SO17

14/02/22 To discuss rates of pay for staff

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr. Howes

SECONDED BY Cllr. Isaacs

Agreed with 1 abstention (Cllr. Middleton)

IT WAS RESOLVED to increase N. Middleton (litter picker) rate of pay in line with the percentage increase in the national living wage from April 22 to £10.13 per hour.

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr. Howes

SECONDED BY Cllr. Warren

All agreed

IT WAS RESOLVED to increase D. Rolls rate of pay in line with the percentage increase in the national living wage from April 22 to £11.20 per hour.

15/02/22 To update the Parish Council on plans for installation of an audio-visual system in the Village Hall

A supplier meeting is scheduled for February 3rd. To be added to agenda for March.

16/02/22 To review progress of purchase and installation of Speed Indicator Devices

Delivery due 3rd February after some delay. Cllr. Dixon will forward the invoice (£5288) to the PPC as they will be paying half of the cost. The SIDs will be moved around the village occasionally - volunteers will be needed for this. To be passed to the Community Speedwatch group to manage.

17/02/22 To co-opt Cllr. Dixon to the "20mph Zone" working party

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr. Lewis

SECONDED BY Cllr. Bailey

IT WAS RESOLVED to appoint Cllr. Dixon to the "20mph" working party.

18/02/22 To consider/approve repairs to the Recreation Ground fence

The fence has had previous "quick fixes" and has trees growing through it. The quote for a temporary fix is £2.5k. Complete fix/replacement would be between £7-£11k. Cllr. Isaacs to investigate options to replace. To be added to agenda for March meeting.

19/02/22 To receive report of Environmental sub-committee

Last meeting

- Tue 11th Jan

- Attendees: Cllrs Middleton, Lewis, Isaacs Apologies: Cllr Bailey

QEII Field

Sticking points remain:

- Archaeology - Waiting for response from planning officer to the geophysical survey
- Great Crested Newts - Querying the survey methodology as Habitats Regulations Assessment of the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Plan Part 2 doesn't mention GCNs for Stanford Quarry. Back-up option of an eDNA survey would need to be undertaken mid-April to late June
- Landscaping - We feel the officer's concerns are out of scope – progressing via district councillor

Footpaths

- Cllr Isaacs pressing landowner to repair broken stile south of the village
- Readvertising for new footpaths warden
- Planning a working party to clear a local path (to be selected) with Andrew Glenday in next few months
- Cllrs Isaacs will approach OCC about using S106 to repair tilting bridge at end of Marlborough Lane.
- Will also speak to OCC about repair to Hatford-Bow Road footpath bridge
- Bow Rd to Horsecroft FP – district councillor is progressing. Landowner currently clearing right back to the stream

Dog fouling

- Cllr Lewis will ask VWHDC to put up signs in their suggested locations (to include Heigham Court) Green spaces
- Ask DofE volunteer to clear Jubilee Gardens of nettles and remove ivy spreading onto the raised bed behind the play area, on Joyce's Rd. Overhanging tree on the FP from Joyce's Rd to the play area can also be cut back.
- Do we need a gardener for Jubilee Gardens? Cllr Middleton to respond to offer from gardening club to look after the area and go from there.
- Noted donation towards daffodil bulbs – too late to plant now, plan for a display next year.
- Tree planting by Ilona Astell in progress. Cllr Isaacs will attend to ensure we are happy with placement.

Next meeting - Weds 9th March @ 19:30 on Zoom.

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| 20/02/22 | To receive report of Recreation and Leisure sub-committee Electrical fault continues with the football pitch floodlights - tested the time switch & contactor and had the light sensor cleaned but still not working. Clerk to get quotes to replace. No update on Skate Park fix date. Prices for new bins researched and various solutions exist - decision to be made at next R&L sub-committee meeting. Dates for R&L sub-committees: 16/02/22, 10/05/22, 09/08/22, 08/11/22 at 8pm |
| 21/02/22 | To receive report of Neighbourhood Plan Nil |
| 22/02/22 | To receive report of Millennium Green Trust Nil |
| 23/02/22 | To receive report of Queen's Jubilee Sub-Committee Nil |

- 24/02/22** **To receive report of Public Works of Art Liaison Working Party**
Nil.
- 25/02/22** **Provisional date of next meeting – Wednesday 2nd March 2022**
- 26/02/22** **To suspend Standing Orders**
ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr. Lewis
SECONDED BY Cllr. Isaacs
IT WAS RESOLVED to suspend Standing Orders in order for the meeting to continue beyond 10pm.
All agreed.
- 27/02/22** **Questions/comments from parishioners**
No comments received
- 28/02/22** **Confidential Item**
ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr. Middleton
SECONDED BY Cllr. Warren
IT WAS RESOLVED to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 due to the commercial confidentiality of the business to be discussed – options for the community use of a building in Stanford in the Vale.
It was agreed that the building would not be suitable due to cost and the amount of remedial work required as the building has been empty for some years. This is also the view of the PPC. The Parish Council is focussing its effort and expenditure on developing the QE2 field for the Parish.