

**Minutes FOIV Committee Meeting
11th November 2024, 7.00-9.00pm, Hawkwell House**

1. Welcome to old and new committee members

- Present: Martin Reed, Rachel Falconer, Paul Castell, Helena Newsom, Dominic Woodfield, Bill Beaver, Anna Di Stefano, Eike Brazier, Celia Palmer, Peggy Seeger, Katrina Robinson, Dave Boughton
- Apologies: Nick Hewlett, Caroline Mason
- New members: Eike Brazier, Paul Castell, Helena Newsom were welcomed; Nick Hewlett welcomed as well, in absentia.
- The manager and staff of the Hawkwell House Hotel were thanked for their warm hospitality.

2. New assignment of committee roles

The Committee appointed or confirmed the following roles and leads:

- Chair: Martin Reed
- Secretary: Eike Brazier
- Treasurer: Paul Castell
- Membership: Caroline Mason and Dave Boughton
- Planning: Katrina Robinson
- Trees: Celia Palmer
- Security: Anna Di Stefano
- Horse Fields: Rachel Falconer
- Highways: Nick Hewlett (confirmed post meeting)
- Court Place: Bill Beaver
- Iffley Mead: Dominic Woodfield

Leads not on the Committee:

- Newsletter editor: Juliette Gammon
- Website manager: Montse Mavello
- Court Place: Phil Hart (with Bill)

3. Review of 14 November committee minutes

- No comments, approved

4. AGM minutes

- The draft has been circulated

Action: All to review prior to next meeting, any actions to be identified

5. Highways

- CPZ: the County's decision meeting is on 14 November. The Committee noted that members' views on the CPZ from FOIV's public meeting were captured in FOIV's submission to the County. Of note, the Council's draft papers show that the Officers have not taken up a 4-hour waiting limit around the Church which was a major overarching concern.

Action: Martin to liaise with FOSM Chair David Wiles and the Vicar and potentially to write in advance of the County's meeting to County and City Councillors re parking around Iffley Church/Church Hall [Done]

6. Planning

- It was noted that Court Place Graduate Housing will become occupied from mid-January onwards, adding a changing population of some 230+ graduate students (including children) to the community when fully tenanted.

'Wayfinding' 'safe travel' project 1 (Highways) for CPG. This project marks a transition from construction to post-construction phase. It is in the form of an annotated map/information package contributed by FOIV to on-site student orientation material. Its aim is to promote safe

use of Iffley's various routes for all users - new, existing residents and visitors. Katrina discussed a draft version with Homes for Students General Site Manager Megan, at a meeting arranged by Phil Hart on 11th November and will present the final version to the next committee meeting prior.

Action: Helena offered to assist Katrina with text editing

Agenda item at next meeting

- Donnington Cycle Track – no further news
- Barhale works in Oriel Field – no further news
- The Horse Fields were accessed by OxPlace for water infiltration tests. The former Chair (Troth) wrote to Kenny Phillips of OxPlace to remind him of the Hedges Act and to say that was not acceptable for OxPlace to have created new access to the meadows through the hedge in Meadow Lane. This was wholly avoidable. Further, the new access was insufficient for their machinery and OxPlace then used the existing access on Church Way, by removing their fence and leaving a pile of debris. The Committee remain dismayed by the approach of Council employees. It is not appropriate for the Council's housing company to (mis)manage this wildlife site in this way.

7. Safety

- Safety issues for pedestrians and cyclists were discussed:
 - o The County Councillor Brad Baines has offered to carry out speed checks on Abberbury Road and Church Way (in process).
 - o Paul said he is aware that unauthorised cutting through at the end of Meadow Lane by motorised scooters etc is being followed up with Brad. It was noted that Tree Lane and Eastchurch also experience this issue.
 - o The Coroner's inquest report is expected shortly concerning the fatal incident in 2022 involving a pedestrian hit by a cyclist on the towpath at Iffley Lock. Any requirements that arise would be for the County to action, probably with the Environment Agency.
 - o KR reported three other recent incidents on the towpath: the death of a 60 year-old man in the river, and reports of a rape and another woman assaulted by a man using an e-scooter.

8. AOB

- Katrina has the keys to the Village Hall.
- Martin has the keycode to the Tree Lane gate (along with the immediate neighbours).
- Dave has oversight of the Defibrillator at the PoW.
- A member in Mayfield Road has kindly taken on updating the public notice board in Augustine Way.
- Peggy offered to be interviewed for a Winter event.
- A Summer event should be discussed at the next meeting and the date fixed asap.

Agenda item re Events at next meeting

- A print newsletter will be produced for distribution end Dec/ early January. Copy deadline will be 9 December.

Action: Martin to invite Juliette Gammon to next meeting [Done]

Agenda item for next meeting – all to bring ideas for content

Next committee meeting is on Monday, 2nd December at Hawkwell House Hotel.

Meeting closed at 8.45pm