

Minutes - FOIV Committee meeting 10.06.24

Apologies: BB, MR, ML, IM, DW, HN

Not in attendance Phil & Juliette

Present KR, CP, PS, JS, CM, RF, PS, TW, ADS, & DB

Thank you to Mercure Hawkwell House for hosting.

Thanks to Bill for the high-viz jackets.

Thanks to Rachel for taking the minutes.

13 May Minutes – approved

1. Membership report

ML to contact OPT to mow Glebe before 29th June event. He will be at PoW to set up and organise the FOIV membership stand. KR, RF, PS and JS will also be there; no stalls apart from membership. TW emailed all members who had not renewed for 2024; some 20 renewed. [Three more added at event in June].

Newsletter has been distributed.

e-newsletter is being drafted.

Ben working on the website, going well, modelled on RSPB

2. Highways

- General

Tarmac outside church is melting. Noted as longstanding problem.

Beech hedge on Church Way – TW has contacted Fitzherbert Close and put those concerned in touch with each other. The hedge is trimmed every year.

Lorries, events at HHH and The Tree – huge funeral, required traffic wardens, verge damage.

Speedwatch in the village? People not sure it would help.

- CPG, routes and signage

CPG: 71 homes, with people coming through Iffley. A few cars will come out of the gate house of CPG (2-3 cars). KR and others are preparing a package of materials for new residents of CPG. TW reminded the committee that we would not be updating the Welcome To Iffley leaflet at this time. Given the possible impending changes to the village, it is thought that it would be better to delay any revision of the leaflet until some clarity has emerged about the local issues about which we are all exercised, and which will arise from impending planning decisions. It is excellent that FOIV, through the positive and active engagement of Phil Hart and Bill Beaver, has participated in the successful completion of the Court Place project, and that Katrina Robinson has ensured that the questions of traffic and non-vehicular transport have been given the high profile they deserve.

Key places suggested for possible signage are mostly along Church Way; directing to Meadow Lane, Iffley Rd Quick Route, Mill Lane and spur to Footpath 26, to be decided.

FP26: the bollard/keysafe at the top ensures access for Emergency Services and unobstructed public right of way. Discussion focused on concerns about signage relating to Meadow Lane.

Proposal to meet with Cllr Brad Baines. Katrina to discuss on site. A suggestion by Phil and Bill about installing a mirror at the elbow bend of Mill Lane was discussed.

KR to add this bend to the OxPA audit of Iffley - the mirror proposal will not be included as it is an item for committee to debate and outside OxPA's remit.

OxPA's draft audit of Iffley will be finalised after 8 July because the Chair Sushila Dhall is standing as Green Candidate for Oxford East. Possibly connect with Corinne Grimley-Evans (OxPA member) before the audit draft is finalised.

Insert from Oxford University Development re Court Place Gardens possibly to go in next print newsletter tbd.

- Parking/traffic

There is a range of issues but these are difficult to take action on since many involve Highways. We take them to Cllr Brad Baines who can speak to colleagues in Highways. Best is to report on Fix My Street (this will be included again in e-newsletter). TW will again mention bad parking (on pavements) and damage to verges plus vegetation in e-newsletter.

3. Planning

- Planners have refused application for Isis Farmhouse for marquees (4 year rule). They can appeal, and apply for proper planning permission.

- Oxford Local Plan 2040 Examination

Many thanks to Dominic for all his work on LP2040. Some of us plan to attend the sessions over the next few days.

- HF: the Environment Agency maintains its objection, since none of their points have been addressed by the developer.

- Salters Boat Yard: not in ICA, nothing further at this stage.

4. Security: bicycle marking session at Rose Hill, run by Neighbourhood Watch and PCSOs.

5. Notice Boards

'Friends of Iffley Village' Notice Boards at top of Tree Lane and Memorial field are shared between the Church on one side, and FOIV plus other organisations and individuals on the other, with FOIV having priority of place. We note that FOIV notices often are subsumed by other ones. Concerns about the Barhale board.

6. Treasurer's report: 3 Bay Tree close pays automatically every month. PS will go and talk to them, to inform them of this and let them know the annual sub rate (currently £5).

7. AOB: Katrina alerted us to a proposal for signs to be put up on private land, to be presented by Bill / Phil.

Date of next meeting: 9 Sept, with understanding that we may require a zoom/meeting before then if/as necessary.