**Ogbourne St Andrew, Ogbourne Maizey and Rockley Parish Council**

Minutes

**Monday 5th December 2022 at 7pm at The Haven, Ogbourne Maizey**

**Present:** Nick Parsons (NP) (Chair)

Jan Whitehead (JW) (Clerk)

John Hetherington (JH)

Brian Dean (BD)

Alan Brown (AB)

John Edmunds (JE)

**Apologies:**

1. Minutes of last meeting and matters arising

SSE leaflets have been distributed, advertised on the website and an article submitted for the next newsletter.

Highways issue has been forwarded onto the police and WCC. Will also look into putting up some horse warning signs on existing poles and cutting back hedges.

John Hetherington will take over as chair from 9th January 2023.

Defibrillator is now on the pub. Training was provided by Wiltshire Search and Rescue. Silks Management Committee have requested a contribution from the Parish Council to make a donation to Wiltshire Search and Rescue. It was suggested that a £200 donation be made. This was agreed unanimously.

1. Parish Precept

Precept increase was proposed at 4% increase. This was agreed unanimously.

**Action: JW to complete calculation and circulate figures to all councillors.**

1. Budget 2023/24

JW went through the proposed budget for next year allowing increases in some expenses and additional expenses specifically for 2023/24. The proposed budget was agreed unanimously.

The fixed assets register was reviewed as a number of assets should have been written off. It was agreed that as a one-off exercise a number of old assets will be depreciated fully in this year’s accounts and moving forward new assets will be depreciated at 25% per annum.

1. Parish Steward

The path between OSA and Hallam has been cleared and the missing 50mph signs have been replaced.

Stewards are now on winter time callouts. Drains are currently being cleared but we do strongly encourage individual householders to keep the drains clear in front of their properties.

**Action: Steward to be requested to clear leaves and check grit bins and order new grit if needed.**

1. AOB

Thanks were expressed to the retiring Chairman.

There is support available for anyone in hardship this winter. Anyone in this position should contact the Parish Council Chair.

The meeting closed at 19:50

Date of next meeting: 09/01/23

Dates of meetings for 2023: 06/03/23, 15/05/23 (AGM), 03/07/23, 04/09/23, 06/11/23