



to the Planning Committee – to be circulated.

d) It was agreed that Cllr. Beechey should continue as Chairman of the Planning Committee.

## 9. FINANCE

- a) The following payments were noted:
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| B.L. Wilson – expenses                        | 51.84  |   |
| S.O.D.C. dog bin emptying                     | 178.11 |   |
| P. Gibbons - expenses                         | 21.77  |   |
| Subscription to OALC                          | 141.94 |   |
| Ridgeway Woodlands – Church Lane rustic bench | 35.25  |   |
| Natalie Nash                                  | 81.00  |   |
| Jill Beechey – hours worked as Acting Clerk   | 172.29 |   |
| Jill Beechey – expenses                       | 16.61  |   |
| W.M. Nairn – maintenance of tubs/March        | 60.00  |   |
| B.L. Wilson – salary, January                 |        |   |
| P. Gibbons – scalping for path                | 300.00 |   |
| B.L. Wilson – computer costs                  | 100.00 |   |
| O.R.C.C. subscription                         | 30.00  |   |
| Aon Limited – PC insurance renewal            | 831.93 |   |
- b) The following payments were approved
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| Clerk – April salary   |        |  |
| P. Hetherington – travel expenses                                  | 12.80  |  |
| P. Gibbons – travel to SODC meeting                                | 15.64  |  |
| Downend & Benning – fixings for signs                              | 43.48  |  |
| WM Nairn – maintenance of tubs, April                              | 60.00  |  |
| B.G. Hutton – painting gates, clearing rubbish; erecting dog signs | 387.15 |  |
| Oli Nash – litter picking  | 60.00  |  |
| Chinnor Village Centre annual grant                                | 555.00 |  |
| Chinnor United Benefice – churchyard maintenance                   | 888.00 |  |
| P. Gibbons – Chairman’s allowance                                  | 95.00  |  |
| D. Beechey – Vice-Chairman’s allowance                             | 80.00  |  |
| Thame and District C.A.B. annual grant                             | 115.00 |  |
| M40 group grant  | 200.00 |  |
| Thames Valley Air Ambulance annual grant                           | 110.00 |  |
| Kavan Ring – hedge pruning and mowing all areas                    | 465.00 |  |
- c) Receipts received as follows, were noted:
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| S.O.D.C. Precept – 1 <sup>st</sup> instalment   | 7785.00  |  |
| Taylor Wimpey – contribution to traffic calming | 10000.00 |  |
| Walks booklets                                  | 98.00    |  |
- d) The current financial situation as at 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2010, was noted:
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| Barclays Bank - Community Account        | 16733.55  |      |
| Barclays Bank – Business Premium Account | 5082.25   |      |
| National Savings                         | 10491.42  |      |
| Village Hall Sinking Fund                | (3779.75) |      |
| Play Area Sinking Fund – main.           | (3024.50) |      |
| Play Area sinking Fund – capital         | (3194.20) |      |
| Parish Notes Sinking Fund                | (1020.00) |      |
| Ditches Sinking Fund                     | (1000.00) |      |
| Trees and Maintenance S. Fund            | (1000.00) |      |
| Cash                                     |           | 8.00 |
- e) The Statement of Accounts for year ended 31/03/2010 was approved by the Council.
- f) The Annual Governance Statement for the year ended 31/03/2010 was approved by the Council.

- g) A quote of £204.15 from B.G. Hutton for work on village gates was approved.
- h) The quote of £240.00 from Sow 'N' Sow for summer planting of tubs was approved; the Clerk is to ask Mr. Nairn to go ahead with the planting.

#### **10. HIGHWAYS**

- a) Feasibility study of park and ride facility at Lewknor was noted.
- b) Home2School summer 2010 magazine is circulating..
- c) Cllr. Gibbons reported on a meeting he attended with S.O.D.C. and Thames Water, on 27/04/2010. A meeting will be held with Thames Water in June; minutes of meeting to be circulated.
- d) A letter from Mrs. Parker re a sign for the AR cricket club was discussed. Cllr. Gibbons is to reply informing her that the Parish Council has no objection subject to relevant permission, if necessary, from S.O.D.C.

#### **11. HILLOCK GARDENS – No report**

#### **12. HILLWERKE TRUST – No report**

#### **13. ASTON ROWANT SCHOOL**

- a) A school governor reported on problems of parking in AR in connection with the school. He outlined possible suggestions to help with this problem. It was noted Malcolm Bowler of the Highways Department, O.C.C., has produced a plan for parking and speed limits in the village and he is liaising with residents. The school hopes to educate drivers.

#### **14. FOOTPATHS AND AMENITIES**

- a) Dog mess along Church Lane was discussed. It was agreed to purchase a dog hygiene bin to put at the end of the hard surface in Church Lane. Cllrs. Knight and Hetherington are to look at a suitable site; a sign is to go on the dog bin post.
- b) Information from The Chiltern Society re The Chiltern Way Walking Festival Programme – 2010; also leaflet on The Chiltern Way 200km circular walk round the Chilterns – to be circulated.
- c) Cllr. Hetherington informed members of the Ramblers Association Walking Day on 23<sup>rd</sup> May.
- d) Cllr. Hetherington reported wild flower seeds have been planted on the patch in the Stert Road.

#### **15. CORRESPONDENCE** as follows is to be circulated:

- a) A Vital Partnership – The University of Oxford and Public and Community Engagement.
- b) Invitation to ORCC's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration, 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2010.
- c) The Playing Field, O.P.F.A. Newsletter, Spring 2010
- d) Booking form for CPD course on Presentational Skills, on 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2010.
- e) ORCC Review Spring/Summer 2010 issue 7
- f) May 2010 edition of The Clerk
- g) Letter from Soldiers of Oxfordshire Trust re Museum at Woodstock
- h) Clerks & Councils Direct May 2010 issue 69
- i) Letter from The Chilterns Conservation Board re The Annual Chilterns Awards.

#### **16. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS** - No reports.

#### **17. OTHER MATTERS**

- a) Following a matter raised at the Annual Assembly, regarding a footpath to Chinnor along the B4009, it was agreed Cllr. Hetherington should approach Chinnor Parish Council with a view to discussing the feasibility of working together on this subject.
- b) It was noted Cllr. Hetherington has contacted Countryside Services re cutting of the internal footpaths in the Parish.
- c) The website was discussed; to be put on agenda of next meeting.

- d) The Clerk is to look into Standing Orders; also to copy checklist of actions when submitting a planning application.
- e) Cllr. Knight reported on creditors for the Lambert Arms.

**18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2010, at Kingston Blount Village Hall, at 7.45pm.**

**Clerk to the Council**