

	<p>increase for general purposes. SO reported that the cumulative effect will be significant, naming the ageing population growth and the increasing need for Children Services plus Mental Health as contributing factors which central government are not covering.</p> <p>SO advised that the school place planning 2018 booklet is about to be sent out.</p> <p>SO requested that OPC add its support to the concerns of residents about the issues associated with the skip lorry company at Oakham Farm to WSCC, in particular the height of the stock piles and burning of waste. SO advised that planning permission and conditions go with the land and not the Company that does not appear to be adhering to their legal requirements.</p> <p>SO asked OPC to consider full support of the reinstatement and upgrading of the twitten from Marlpit Lane to Tangmere Road, advising that OPC's support would help with the scoring process that could see this work funded by WSCC adding that OPC should also consider applying for funding through the New Homes Bonus Scheme. The Chairman responded, advising that any OPC funding of the twitten would have to be considered in conjunction with items listed in the Parish Plan.</p> <p>SO raised his concern about the drainage at the junction of Woodhorn Lane north and Church Lane. SO advised that highways have cleared the culvert that runs under the junction but felt that this would only fix the issue temporarily and that the ditches both up and down stream are continuing to block so throughput of the entire system is deteriorating and likely to cause damage to properties in the short to medium term.</p> <p>District Cllr. C. Page (CP) asked SO for an update on BAB27. SO advised that a consultant has been appointed to assist with process and that Highways England (HE) have given a deadline of May 2018. SO confirmed that the next full BABA27 meeting is expected to be In early February 2018 when discussions are expected to start to scope out what is required. HE had advised that they want the A27 to become an expressway by 2040.</p> <p>CP advised that he is currently trying to get the support of more District Councillors before progressing further his suggestion for the installation of yellow boxes on A27 to aid the flow of traffic. CP also mentioned the problems with the pedestrian traffic lights at the Stockbridge roundabout during the work to replace the bridge there.</p> <p>CP advised of several other issues he has been involved with in adjacent parishes.</p>	
5	<p>Urgent items (not on the Agenda but to be discussed at the discretion of the Chairman, noted or included on a future Agenda).</p>	
	<p>The Chairman (SS) presented a letter received from Eileen Saunders (Oving Jubilee Hall) regarding areas of the hall which require urgent repair/improvements. The letter had been forwarded to all Councillors prior to the meeting. The three principal areas were noted as water ingress through a set of fire doors at the back of the hall, several rotten window ledges and barge boards in the porch and the installation of a fenced area at the back of the hall as a safe area for children when the hall is rented out for private functions. The letter concluded the total expenditure to be from £8800 to £11,550 plus VAT. All Councillors present discussed the matter and there was support for providing funding from the grant received last year from the Solar Farms as this was an appropriate community project. SS advised that, as this item was not on the agenda, it was not possible to put it to a vote. The Clerk was asked to write to Eileen Saunders to establish how quickly the Council's response is needed and if necessary an extraordinary meeting of OPC could be called.</p> <p>Cllr. Hague asked whether a Parish Council representative as governor should be allocated to March School and if this could be added to a future agenda as he was prepared to volunteer to take this position. Cllr. Smith added her support for this to be added to the next agenda.</p>	Clerk
7	<p>Approval of minutes (available at www.ovingcommunity.org.uk) and review of actions:</p>	
	<p>a) Parish Council meeting held on 16th November 2017. The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16th November 2017 were unanimously approved</p>	

	<p>a) To consider the budget control statement. The budget control statement was considered and approved.</p> <p>b) To review the bank accounts and reconciliation of balances. The bank accounts and reconciliation of balances were considered and approved.</p> <p>c) To approve the schedule of payments totalling £3623.80. The schedule of payments, totalling £3623.80, was considered, approved and signed by The Chairman as accurate.</p> <p>d) To approve payment for cutting back overgrown areas of the Recreation Ground. Cllr. F. van der Wetering de Rooy advised the Council that a gardener has now been selected to cut back foliage and brambles in a corner of the recreation ground which was causing damage to two privately owned fences and asked the Parish Council to agree to spend up to £300 to complete this work as soon as possible. The motion was proposed by Cllr. Wright and seconded by Cllr. Hague. All Councillors present supported the motion.</p> <p>e) To note the status of the Solar Farms community grants. The Clerk advised the Parish Council that the current owners of the Solar Farms have now been identified as Meadow Blue Community Energy and Greencoat Capital. The Clerk has written to both Companies to request payment of the grants owed for 2017. The Clerk advised that Low carbon, who are the asset managers for Greencoat, are in the process of organising payment, but that Meadow Blue Community Energy had asked for further information prior to making payment. The Chairman and Cllr. Wilkinson (AW) agreed to look at the email prior to any response being sent.</p>	Chair AW
12	Planning:	
	<p>a) To note the Minutes of the Planning meeting held on 14th December 2017. The minutes were noted.</p> <p>b) Planning applications and decisions received since 14th December 2017. No applications had been received. The Chairman expressed his surprise that the application O/17/01982/ELD from Cllr Hague as agent on behalf of his sister Carley Kustosz had been refused permission. The Parish Council had supported this application to incorporate land into the gardens of several houses. It is likely that this will go to appeal.</p> <p>c) To note the decision on the Oakham Farm appeal. The Chairman advised the Parish Council that Oakham Farm's appeal had been refused.</p>	
13	<p>Next Meetings: Planning Committee meeting will be held on Thursday 22nd February 2018. OPC Full Council meeting will be held on Thursday 22nd March 2018. All meetings will start at 6.45pm.</p>	

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.

Signed:

Date:

Chairman