

Adderbury Parish Council
Report for November 2021

Meetings – During November 2021, a meeting of the Parish Council was held on 30 November 2021.

Copies of agendas and minutes are available on the PC web site. www.adderburypc.co.uk

Anti-Bullying and Harassment – The Parish Council supports the new national Civility and Respect Project, which is addressing bullying and harassment of Parish Councillors and Clerks and the PC makes the following statement:

Adderbury Parish Council treats everyone with courtesy and respect and ask for the same in return. We ask that you treat your councillors and council staff courteously without violence, abuse or harassment.

Councillors and council staff have the right to carry out their civic duties and work without fear of being attacked or abused.

Any behaviour whether that be verbal, physical or in writing, which causes either councillors or council staff to feel uncomfortable, embarrassed, or threatened, is totally unacceptable.

The zero tolerance policy includes abuse, aggression or threats made in person, over the telephone or in written communication, including on social media.

The Parish Council considers threatening behaviour to be: Attempted or actual aggressive, or physical actions made towards any councillor or member of staff. The use of aggressive, or abusive language, (including raising of the voice, swearing, shouting or in writing) which threatens or intimidates councillors or council staff'.

This policy applies throughout all council meetings, but it also applies to any councillor or council staff away from council meetings.

Parish Council Surgeries – The next two surgeries are scheduled for the following dates, from 11am to 12 noon at Church House, High Street, Adderbury: Saturday 11 December 2021 & Saturday 8 January 2022. Surgeries will return to the first Saturday of the month from February 2022.

Community Governance Review – Cherwell District Council is completing a Community Governance Review and Adderbury is included in this review, as a result of an issue highlighted by the Street Naming and Numbering Officer. A small section of the recently approved planning application 19/01047/OUT, adjacent to Longford Park, is within Adderbury Parish.

The Parish Council will be advising Cherwell District Council that it does not want the Parish boundary changed and believes there is no actual requirement to do this, especially as it currently provides sufficient area between Adderbury and Banbury/Bodicote to prevent coalescence. This area forms part of the Local Gap in the Adderbury Neighbourhood Development Plan - AD5: Local Gaps and should not be made smaller by any movement of the Parish Boundary. The Parish boundary currently runs along the south side of the existing field entrance and farm drive and the Parish Council requests that developers are required to plant a substantial hedge and tree belt on the Parish boundary as part of the conditions for the development.

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Environment - Please could residents remember to cut back hedges and trees which are overhanging footpaths and roads, as this creates a dangerous situation for drivers and pedestrians.

Tree Planting - A group of Parish Councillors, residents and members of the Adderbury Lakes Management Committee planted trees on the PC's Forest Schools land, next to Vera Wood Close.

This was a great community effort with trees donated by the Woodland Trust. Everyone involved enjoyed the event and the Parish Council thanks all the volunteers for their support!



Budget and Precept 2022/2023 – The Parish Council has approved its budget for 2022/2023 and the Precept figure is £50,914, which is a 2.1% rise from 2021/2022 or £1034.

Highways - Community Speedwatch was continuing and if any residents wished to volunteer a few hours to monitor the traffic around the village, please email the Clerk. The Parish Council passes its thanks for Bob Meadows for leading on the project on behalf of the Parish Council. Bob's support is very much appreciated.

Residents of The Rise and parents dropping off/collecting from the Primary School are reminded not to park their vehicles on the green in The Rise, as it is an amenity area not a designated parking area. Parking on the green damages the grass, kerb stones and obstructs the grass cutting contractor from being able to maintain the grass. Parents/carers attending the Primary School are also requested not to park dangerously at the junction of The Rise and Banbury Road.

Issues relating to the maintenance of highways, footpaths and street lighting should be reported by residents to <https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/>

Oxfordshire County Council considering making 20mph speed limits, the new 30mph for Oxfordshire communities. The Parish Council will be looking into this further and more details can be found at:

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/roads-and-transport/traffic/requesting-20mph#paragraph-10582>

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However, it should be noted that it is unlikely permission would be given for a 20mph limit on main roads into the village, such as the B4100, A4260, Milton Road and Berry Hill Road.

Oxfordshire County Council's Out-of-hours highways service is up and running and has a new telephone number **01223 849731**. It has been launched for Oxfordshire residents to call for urgent out of hours highways related issues. People can now report a highways matter to Oxfordshire County Council outside normal office hours – including evenings, weekends and bank holidays – if there are concerns about it causing an accident or damaging property. The call adviser will discuss the urgency of the issue and take appropriate action as required. During normal working hours, people should continue to call the council's customer service centre on 0345 310 1111. If the situation is potentially life threatening, people should call emergency services on 999.

For highways issues that do not require immediate action, residents are encouraged to use the Fix My Street app or complete an online form, available on the OCC web site.

Civil Parking Enforcement has been introduced by the County Council and it is hoped that officers will monitor the village for illegal parking. Illegally parked vehicles can also be reported directly to the County Council.

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/roads-and-transport/parking/illegal-parking>

Milton Road Land – Members of the public are reminded that they should not be accessing the Parish Council's land on Milton Road (site of the community building and sports pitches), due to the health and safety risks of contractors being on site. There is no public access over the land and there is no public access to any Public Rights of Way through the adjoining land which is privately owned land. Therefore, for your own safety, please do not access any of this land.

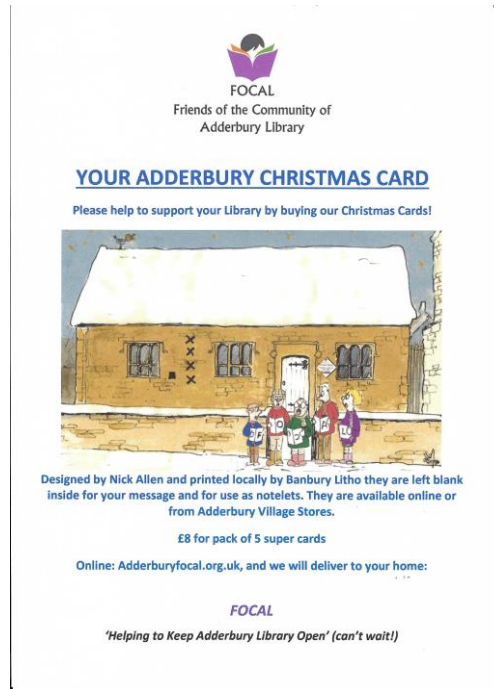
RESIDENTS ARE REMINDED THAT IN THE LUCY PLACKETT PLAYING FIELD, DOGS SHOULD BE KEPT ON A LEAD AND THEY ARE NOT PERMITTED IN THE PLAY AREA



Any anti-social behaviour in the Lucy Plackett Playing Field should be reported to Thames Valley Police by ringing 101

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Fibre Broadband – Gigaclear would be rolling out fibre broadband in the village in January 2022. Prior to the start of the works, Gigaclear will be holding an on-line meeting with residents. Further details to follow.



'No Cold Calling' – Window stickers are available for free to residents if they wish to have one. If any residents would like a sticker posted to them, please contact the Clerk on 01295 710965 or adderburypc@hotmail.com

Covid-19 – To find information on the latest case numbers of Covid-19 please visit the Covid-19 Dashboard. <https://phdashboard.oxfordshire.gov.uk/>

Faulty Street Lights - Please report on freephone 0800 317802 giving exact destination and pole number if possible. Or report to <https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/>

Power Cuts - The new, free, three digit, 105 telephone number to call in the event of a power cut has now gone live.

Meeting Dates – The next Parish Council meeting is being held on 11 January 2022 at Church House, High Street, Adderbury. All residents are invited to attend.

Minutes & Reports - The minutes and reports relating to the Parish Council meetings and the meetings of the Committees, are available at www.adderburypc.co.uk

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