CHINNOR PARISH COUNCIL

PRESENT: Cllr's Ashdown, Dixon, Gray, Mackenzie, Minter, Webb and Wright.

Also in attendance County Cllr. Nigel Champken-Woods, District Cllrs Ali Gordon-Creed and Ed Sadler

Staff: The Clerk and Deputy Clerk

Minutes of the **Full Council Meeting** held on Monday 16th December 2024 at 7.00pm in the Main Function Room, Community Pavilion.

- **1. Apologies for absence:** Received and accepted from Cllr Edwards, Portnall & Sarai
- 2. **Declarations of Interest** –Nothing declared
- 3. Public Questions 3 members of public present. Issues regarding the Chinnor Allotment and Garden Association were raised, concerning improper behaviour and bullying at the AGM October 2024. Members of public want to work with CAGA to ensure openness, inclusiveness and transparency. Concern was raised that no outcome or statement has been produced from the Parish Council.

4. County and District Council Reports

C.Cllr Nigel Champken Woods stated that he is still pushing for action with regard to the parking situation at Thame Road. Public to be encouraged to forward complaints and problems direct to the county councillors.

District Councillors expressed their disappointment with the SODC planning system. Suggestion that Chinnor works with the community and adopts a grass root campaign to put pressure on decisions being made.

The SODC planning officer failed to consider the precedence of the Chinnor Neighbourhood Plan and is contrary to the NPPF.

5. Minutes of the last meeting:

IT WAS RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 18th November 2024 were signed by the chair

- **6. Minutes of Committees:** To note the Minutes of the following meetings and any questions or observations.
 - a) Finance & Policy 25.11.24
 - b) Finance & Policy 02.12.24 agreed to add the date of the next meeting
 - c) Planning Committee 09.12.24

7. Proposals from Committees & Councillors

7.1 Proposal from the Finance & Policy committee to approve the financial budget 2025/26 and that a precept demand of £415,228 is submitted.

IT WAS RESOLVED to approve the budget and precept demand.

IT WAS RESOLVED that 5k is allocated from general reserves to an ear marked reserve for the use of the Community Land Trust.

8. Clerk's Report:

8.1 Defibrillator report showing all devices and locations was discussed. Concern was raised with regard to necessary funding when replacements will be required.

- 8.2 Skate Park Tender has been extended by 2 weeks. Schedule of dates and method of scrutiny to be shared with councillors.
- 8.3 IT WAS RESOLVED to accept the quote to decorate the council offices over the Christmas Holidays at the cost of £1080 + materials
- 8.4 OALC Training Event 9th January 'Leading Your Council' at Beckley Village Hall

IT WAS AGREED that places would be reserved for Cllr Ashdown and Deputy Clerk.

Date of Next Meeting: 20th January 2025

