Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting 2025

The 2025 Annual Parish Meeting took place in the Village Hall on Tuesday 20th May 2025.

Mandy Rigault, Chair of the Parish Council, opened the meeting at 7.45pm.

Present: five parishioners, including three of the four members of the Parish Council, Cllr Robin Jones (OxonCC) and the Parish Clerk.

1. Minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting

The minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting were taken as read and approved, then signed by the Chair of the meeting.

2. Annual report of the Parish Council

Mandy Rigault gave a report on behalf of the Parish Council.

3. Annual report of the County Councillor

Not applicable: Cllr Robin Jones has only just been elected.

4. Annual report of the District Councillor

Cllr Sam Casey-Rerhaye (SODC) had sent a written report, which the Clerk has published on the website.

5. Annual report of the Sports and Playing Field Association

John Taylor gave a report on behalf of the Association about the Playing Field. He said a tree survey was undertaken and was paid for by the parish council.

Unfortunately, the cost of the tree work required will significantly exceed the original rough estimate. The grant awarded to the Association of £3,500 will not, therefore, be sufficient for the work and four picnic tables originally expected. It will only be possible to buy two picnic tables.

The play equipment company chosen by the Association will visit next week to check the suitability of the site for different pieces of equipment.

A contemplation bench is under consideration for the future.

The first priority, John said, is to mow the grass, arrange a tree inspection and install picnic tables and benches which could attract families to use the Playing Field: parents could sit down while their children played.

John said the Association wanted to see the grass cut before the summer holidays.

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John said the Association believes low maintenance equipment could be installed such as a set of goalposts with a basketball hoop attached and a mound.

The Clerk said that the Council's contractors intend to make their first cut on Thursday 22nd May 2025 and would cut the field regularly after that.

6. Annual report of the Lunch Club

The Clerk read out a communication he had received from the Secretary of the Nuneham Courtenay Adult Lunch Club.

7. Annual report of the Village Hall Committee

Jenny reported that there are only three families currently involved in the Nuneham Courtenay Village Hall Committee so this will be a quiet year. The meeting closed at 8.45pm.

