**Salford Parish Council**

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**MINUTES**

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Salford Parish Council at Salford Village Hall, on Tuesday 17th June 2025, at 7pm.

Present:

Parish Councillors: Hilary McGlynn, Oliver Colston, Darren Lake, Rachel Caldin

County Councillors: Geoff Saul

District Councillors: Alex Wilson

Parish Clerk: Katie Mildenhall

1. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman –

Darren Lake was elected as Chairman

Oliver Colston was elected as Vice-Chairman

2. Acceptances of Office – Offices were Accepted by Councillors

3. To note apologies for absence – Andrew Beaney, Steve McBride

4. To receive Declarations of Interest - None

5. To approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 11.03.25 - These were approved and signed

6. To note the matters arising from the last meeting.

* Flashing A44 Signage - Cllr Saul had sourced the signs and Highways were currently looking into where they had been stored
* The unitary council proposals

Option 1 – One authority Oxfordshire County Council is proposing a single unitary authority using the existing county council boundary: One council: Your Oxfordshire | Let's Talk Oxfordshire

Option 2 – Two authorities South Oxfordshire, Vale of White Horse, Cherwell and West Oxfordshire are proposing a model with two unitary authorities using the existing Cherwell, West Oxfordshire and Oxford City to create one authority (Oxford and Shires) and a second authority being created with the existing South Oxfordshire, Vale of White Horse and West Berkshire boundaries: Home - Two Councils

Option 3 – Three authorities Oxford City Council is proposing a three-unitary model, incorporating a ‘Greater Oxford’ unitary with extended borders, as well as a Northern Oxfordshire council, comprising the remainder of the Cherwell and West Oxfordshire areas, and a Ridgeway council, with the rest of Vale of White Horse, South Oxfordshire and West Berkshire: A greater Oxford | Oxford City Council

* A44 White Lines – The Clerk would continue to try and arrange a photograph of the disappearing lines when it rained

7. Finance

(a) To note the end of year summary 2024-2025 and current situation – This was approved as accurate

(b) To certify the Parish Council as exempt from external audit – This was certified and signed

(c) To review and approve current • Risk Assessment • Financial Regulations • Standing Orders – The Clerk would update accordingly and circulate after review with Cllr Lake

(d) To approve the following payments:

Grass Cutting March - £357.96, April - £357.96, May 2025 - £357.96 - Approved

ICO – Data Protection Renewal Fee - £ 52 - Approved

Zurich Insurance - £ 411.62 - Approved

Printer Ink - £46.90 - Approved

Clerk’s Salary - Approved

8. To note the current state of the playground and agree July 2025 inspection by ROSPA. The equipment is looking tired and could do with a sand and paint. The safety flooring needed to be stripped of algae, it was agreed to wait until the inspection from ROSPA and note their findings

9. To discuss any other business.

Bins had been fly tipped on the Cornwell Lane – The clerk would report with assistance from Alex Wilson

There was a water leak on the Cornwell Lane – The Clerk would try to discuss with Thames Water

10. To note the date of next meeting: 8th July 2025