

OXSPRING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 1st September 2014

At

7.15 in Saint Aidan's Church

1. Attendance

a. In attendance

Councillor I Goldthorpe	(IG) (Chairman)
Councillor A Walker	(AWa) (Vice Chair)
Councillor A Mills	(AM)
Councillor F Shaw	(FS)
Councillor B Taylor	(BT)
Councillor A Wood	(AWo)

Mrs Stephanie Tolson (Clerk).

b. Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor I Stanley. (FS,BT).

2. Prioritisation of Agenda Items.

None.

3. Community Matters.

a. Public Participation Adjournment.

- None.

4a. Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 4th July and 9th June 2014, and Matters arising from them.

- The Chair **agreed** to sign the minutes as a true record after **agreement** by the Council (FS,BT). The Clerk had circulated action reports from the minutes and provided the latest update in addition. The Chair and other members reported on their actions.
- Councillor Taylor reported on his meeting with the Allotment Tenant at the Willows regarding the fencing between plots. The tenant has agreed to leave the fence where it is but will not spray paint it unless he has permission from his neighbour to enter her plot.
- Councillor Taylor reported on his conversation with Ms Hjulgaard re the overlooking conservatory. She intends to make an application to Berneslai Homes for a fence at her boundary.
- The Clerk informed the Council of correspondence received from Berneslai Homes re the public minutes of the last meeting. This was noted.
- The Summer Gala was discussed, and it was agreed that no donation towards field maintenance or electricity would be requested.
- The Clerk informed the Council that C Booth had handed over a file to the Parish Council of notes from the Gala in 2004.
- Any other matters would be included in later agenda items.

5. Business Matters.

a. Neighbourhood Plan

- Planning permission has been received for the two banners. The sites are the playingfield car park and the children's play area.
- It was agreed to ask J Mitchell to create a stand for the banners. The Chair will arrange and obtain a price.
- Policy writing for the Neighbourhood Plan has commenced for the various different policies.
- Housing needs Assessment Survey has been carried out by PAE. This is now due to be examined by the Neighbourhood Plan Committee.
- The NP budget is due to be looked at with regards to the funding received as this expires soon and must be

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returned if not spent.

b. Playingfield Drainage

- The hole in the field was filled in during the summer.
- The quote from Fielding Construction to repair a blocked drain on the playingfield was discussed.
- It was agreed to obtain a further quote from J Mitchell for comparison purposes. The Chair will arrange.

c. Playingfield Footpath

- Councillor Wood has obtained a source for the path topping in Sheffield. He is waiting for a call back and will obtain a price.
- Councillor Taylor has not received any prices but is aware that more road resurfacing has been done in the area and will investigate if the chippings are available for use.

d. Titivators

- Councillor Shaw gave an update on the work that the Titivators had done in the last few weeks. Work will be starting on Gordon's Garden shortly, on the banking and the Laurel trees.
- It was noted that there is a lot of litter being left from youths that congregate in the playingfield carpark in the evenings. Councillors agreed that if spotted, they will ask that litter is thrown in the bin or taken home, otherwise they will be asked to move on.
- It was noted that the hedge at the Anthills may be ready for laying. It was suggested that the Titivators may be able to do it, or that a professional should be brought in. Councillor Wood stated that it was Penistone Tree Services that did the Bower Dell Hedge. The Clerk will contact them.
- The Clerk read out an update from Alan Walker on recent jobs done by the Titivators.

e. Grass Verge Sheffield Road

- Councillor Stanley was not available to report back.
- Councillor Shaw suggested this as a site for Planters. It was thought that this was a possibility if there was interest from residents nearby to look after the planters.

f. Community Partnership Building

- It was noted that the planning permission for the community building on the playingfield has now expired. A new planning application would now be required if the building was to go ahead.
- It was noted that all planning permissions now expire after 3 years and that the time can no longer be extended.

g. Other Business

- The Planter competition has been judged. The winning planter is the one outside the playarea, 2nd place is outside Mount Pleasant on Sheffield Road and third place is the Toll Bar post planter at the bottom of Roughbitchworth Lane.

6. Financial Matters

a. Balances and Transfers

- There were no transfers during the month.
- The closing Balances for 31st August 2014 are c/a £2074.21 and d/a £10299.10, Imprest a/c £44.81.

b. Payments and Receipts

Payments amounting to £1136.88 and receipts of £86.88 were presented and **agreed** for payment. (AWa,BT)

c. Other Financial Matters

- None.

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7. Planning Matters

a. Planning Applications.

- There were no planning applications for consideration.
- The Planning Applications for extension of Millstones and the Paddock on Roughbitchworth Lane have not yet been decided by BMBC.
- An appeal has been lodged to the Secretary of State by the applicant of Sheephouse Heights. The PC did not wish to add any further comment to their previous objections.

8. Administrative Matters.

a. Correspondence

- A request to advertise in the next newsletter was received from Silkstone Lawncare. This was agreed.
- The Clerk is to enquire whether OSI still require newsletter sponsorship.
- An invitation to the Penistone Mayors Civic Service was received from the 21st September at 10.45am. Councillor Walker will let the Clerk know if she is able to attend.
- The Clerk informed the Parish Council of new legislation that allows meetings to be recorded or videoed. The Clerk will alter the Councils Standing Orders to reflect this change and will produce a policy for the matter based on the recommended YLCA template.

b. Items to Report

- Councillor Wood noted that the manholes in Silkstone Common have not been raised to the surface level. The Clerk will contact the engineer to see when this is being done.
- Councillor Wood noted that the bushes in the playingfield car park need cutting back. It was suggested that the Titivators could do this.
- The wobbly bridge at the playarea was discussed. It was discussed getting a quote for something to replace the bridge. The Chair will investigate.
- Councillor Walker reported that one of the cradle seats at the play area has a split in it. The Chair will take a look.
- It was discussed that it would be useful to have a notice board at the Village Green. The Clerk will obtain prices for a notice board.
- Councillor Taylor reported that one of the allotments at the Willows has cultivated their plot, leaving the path at the bottom rather than at the back. The Clerk will take a look.

9. Other Matters

a. Emergency Items

- None reported.

b. Matters for future discussion.

Neighbourhood Plan, playingfield drains investigation, Playingfield footpath, Titivators update, Grass Verge Sheffield Road.

7. Date and Time of the Next Meeting.

The next full meeting will be at 7.15pm on Monday 6th October 2014 at Saint Aidan's Church.

Signed this day _____ **2014.**