

OXSPRING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 8th April 2013

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 I Stanley	(IS)
Councillor B Taylor	(BT)
Councillor A Wood	(AWo)

Mrs Stephanie Tolson (Clerk).

b. Apologies.

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor F Shaw. (AM,BT).

2. Prioritisation of Agenda Items.

None.

3. Community Matters.

a. Public Participation Adjournment.

- None.

4a. Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 4th March 2013, and Matters arising from them.

- The Chair **agreed** to sign the minutes as a true record after **agreement** by the Council (AM,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.
- The Footpath extension near the playingfield was discussed. Councillor Barnard is enquiring.
- Councillor Taylor spoke about the grass verge at Roughbitchworth Lane. The area will be seeded, but hasn't been able to be because of the cold snowy weather. A "no parking" sign will be put on the wall near the grass verge near the school. Councillor Walker will speak to the school regarding the bus stopping and parking on the grass verge.
- Councillor Taylor spoke about the Spring Brook Wind Turbine. The transport route will go through the village, but they have said no alterations to the roads will be necessary and the size and weight of vehicles is fine.
- The S106 money was discussed, and it was agreed that quotes would be sought for doing the fencing outside of Bower Dell. The Chair will liaise with Jo Birch re the wood measurements and quotes.
- The drainage at the playingfield was discussed, it was agreed to ask John Mitchell to help with the drain investigation. Councillor Taylor will get Mr Fielding to take a look when the drain has been opened up. Councillor Stanley will enquire as to when the football season is finished, so that the drainage can be done in the closed season.
- The Clerk will arrange for BMBC to spike the field.
- The offer from OUFC to level the pitches with top soil and seed was accepted.
- Any other matters would be included in later agenda items.

5. Business Matters.

a. Community Partnership Facilities

- Councillor Stanley reported that OPSCC will be deciding the way forward when it does its annual review shortly.

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b. Bower Dell

- Councillor Wood reported that work is almost finished.
- The Chair will speak to Chris Booth regarding trees for the area as it is thought that the current open aspect is attractive, and perhaps trees would not be suitable. Another option is to put benches in.

c. Neighbourhood Plan

- The 2 drop in sessions and the public meeting were discussed. The flyers have been sent out, also the questionnaires with the newsletter. All posters are up.
- Planning Aid will attend all meetings with a slide show about Neighbourhood Planning. Parish Councillors are requested to share the attendance at the drop in sessions as they are quite long.
- The public meeting is intended for those that are really interested in getting involved with the aim of getting the steering committee set up.
- The school have done some work on what the children like and dislike about the village.
- Councillor Walker is speaking to Tesco Penistone about sponsorship.

d. Playingfield Footpath

- Councillor Taylor reported that he is putting some slag road topping on a section to see how it works.

e. Willows Allotments

- Putting in a path along the back of the allotments was discussed. This would require new fencing, with gate access to each plot. This path would be partly on TPT land. Councillor Taylor is speaking to the TPT officers about this.
- Councillors Wood and Taylor will look into quotes for the path and fence.

f. Wall at Sheffield Road

- Councillor Stanley and Councillor Shaw met with Andrea Jackson, the farmer and a highways engineer. The meeting was quite successful, the engineer made several suggestions for the problem wall. He was going to take lots of measurements of the entire area and then get back to Councillor Stanley. He will be speaking to Barnsley Council about what can be done to rectify the problem and will get pricing. All agreed that a new wall wasn't necessary and that fencing would be suitable.

g. Other

- A donation has been received from the Charity of Samuel Wordsworth for the senior citizens of the Parish. It was agreed to give this to Oxspring Friends to use for the Seniors Tea.

6. Financial Matters

a. Balances and Transfers

- There were no transfers during the month.
- The closing Balances for 31st March 2013 are c/a £3660.30 and d/a £3118.21, Imprest a/c £0.

b. Payments and Receipts

Payments amounting to £3678.80 and receipts of £134.45 were presented and **agreed** for payment. (IS,AM)

c. Other Financial Matters

- The high interest deposit bond will be renewed at the end of April.

7. Planning Matters

a. Planning Applications.

Councillor Taylor declared an interest and left the meeting at this point.

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- There was one planning application to consider:
- 2013/0284 – Kontiki– extension - no objections.

8. Administrative Matters.

a. Correspondence

- A request for a Bouncy Castle and Bucking Bronco in the field for a party held at the Waggon & Horses for the 20th July was agreed. A donation is to be requested, and they are to have their own insurance arrangements.
- The invitation to a Housing Design Meeting in Penistone was discussed. Councillor Walker will attend.

b. Items to Report

- Councillor Stanley reported the grass verge near the Willows and requested that it's mentioned to Neighbourhood Pride.
- Councillor Wood reported that the wall near the playingfield car park had been knocked. It was noted that it wasn't dangerous.
- Councillor Wood reported that he is still awaiting a SID on Roughbitchworth Lane.
- Potholes throughout the village are to be reported.
- It is to be requested that the TPT is swept as previously agreed.
- It was noted that Councillors would like to wear OPC badges when delivering newsletters/flyers etc. Councillor Taylor will see if he can laminate some.

9. Other Matters

a. Emergency Items

- None reported.

b. Matters for future discussion.

Community Partnership Facilities, Bower Dell area project, Neighbourhood Plan, playingfield footpath, Wall at Sheffield Road, Willows allotments.

7. Date and Time of the Next Meeting.

The next full meeting will be the Parish Annual Assembly at 6.45pm to be followed by the Council's Annual Meeting at 7.15pm on Monday 13th May 2012 at Saint Aidan's Church.

Signed this day _____ **2013.**