

OXSPRING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 10th June 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 F Shaw	(FS)
Councillor I Stanley	(IS)
Councillor B Taylor	(BT)
Councillor A Wood	(AWo)

Mrs Stephanie Tolson (Clerk). Borough councillor R Barnard.

b. Apologies.

None.

2. Prioritisation of Agenda Items.

None.

3. Community Matters.

a. Public Participation Adjournment.

- None.

4a. Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 13th May 2013, and Matters arising from them.

- The Chair **agreed** to sign the minutes as a true record after **agreement** by the Council (BT,IS). 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.
- BMBC Highways were satisfied with the removal of the mini wall at the entrance to the playingfield.
- The Chair reported that nothing was found in the hole on the playingfield and it was subsequently filled.
- No reply has been received from Stocksbridge advice Centre.
- The road sweeping schedule is being looked at by BMBC.
- Eric Steer has reported that he is enquiring with estates management as to the responsibility of the fence between the Berneslai homes houses on Sheffield Road. Councillor Taylor will ask the public path department if it is their responsibility.
- Any other matters would be included in later agenda items.

5. Business Matters.

a. Community Partnership Facilities

- Nothing to report.

b. Bower Dell

- The invoice for the work done so far will be paid this month.
- The grant received from OHG may be used towards Bower Dell or any other environmental work in the village, but not to be used for general maintenance.
- The S106 money of £2193 is to be used to complete the Bower Dell work as much as possible. The Chair and other Councillors are meeting with Jo Birch on the 11th June.
- Possibilities for expenditure include planting wild flowers, repairing a wall, 2 picnic tables with concrete pads and a couple of mature trees.

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c. Neighbourhood Plan

- Paula Tweed and Stephen Moralee will provide alternative dates to the Clerk for a meeting with them.
- The first steering group meeting will be held on the 20th June at Saint Aidans. This will be to set up the group and allocate roles and to set up the 3 sub committees.
- Councillor Walker has been looking into funding, and it was agreed that she could do a dummy application for Grant payment funding (7k max), which would then be confirmed at the next PC meeting before being submitted. It was also agreed that Councillor Walker should be the PC representative on the steering committee. (IS,IG).

d. Playingfield Footpath

- Nothing to report.

e. Willows Allotments

- The Clerk reported that Sarah Ford from BMBC Trans Pennine Trail is looking at drawing up a legal agreement for the strip of land that we would like to make into a footpath along the back of the Willows plots.
- She specified that signage must be put up stating that the path is not a public path and will be for allotment holders and grass cutters only to gain access to the plots.
- Councillors Wood and Taylor will look into quotes for the path and fence.

f. Wall at Sheffield Road

- Peter Langdale from BMBC has reported back to the PC that although they will take responsibility for part of the wall, he does not see it as dangerous and therefore does not have priority due to pressures on budgets.
- The Clerk will ask him to reply to the landowners with BMBC's stance on the wall.
- The PC will arrange to meet with the landowners again after they have heard from BMBC.
- A quote for doing a wall with concrete using the stone available will be obtained from J Mitchell.
- Quotes will be obtained for fencing also.

6. Financial Matters

a. Balances and Transfers

- There were no transfers during the month.
- The closing Balances for 31st May 2013 are c/a £3942.01 and d/a £8140.06, Imprest a/c £30.

b. Payments and Receipts

Payments amounting to £4108.48 and receipts of £2532 were presented and **agreed** for payment. (AWa,IG)

c. Other Financial Matters

- None.

7. Planning Matters

a. Planning Applications.

- None.

8. Administrative Matters.

a. Correspondence

- It was agreed to fly a flag on armed forces day. (FS,BT)
- It was agreed to allow a shed on plot 6 West Crescent.(IS,IG).

b. Items to Report

- Councillor Shaw reported that the car boot raised £290. It was noted to advertise this and the annual walk more next year.
- Councillor Walker stated that Mr Walker will empty the bin in Bower Dell and put next to the playarea bin.

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The Clerk will inform Neighbourhood Pride.

- Councillor Walker will arrange for the cricket pitch to be marked via the school and the football club.
- Councillor Walker stated that she would like to write about litter in the next newsletter.
- The next newsletter is to have an article stating what the PC has been doing and projects that are being worked on.
- Councillor Wood requested a SID on LC3 facing uphill on Roughbitchworth Lane. Councillor Barnard will arrange.
- The dog walk area has not been cut. Councillor Taylor will speak to Andy Poole about this and a couple of other areas where cutting hasn't been done well.
- It was noted that the land behind wood cottages does not belong to the PC. The Clerk has checked this on the land registry documents.
- Councillor Wood reported that the Community payback team hope to do the boules pitch in September.
- A query was raised over the bus that appears to pick up from the school. Councillor Taylor will ring Tates to see if they are picking any children up as the school says they are not.
- The drains at the playingfield were discussed with a view to obtaining some equipment that can tell us where the drain is going.

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, playingfield drains investigation.

7. Date and Time of the Next Meeting.

The next full meeting will be at 7.15pm on Monday 15th July 2013 at Saint Aidan's Church.

Signed this day 2013.