

OXSPRING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 7th November 2011, At 7pm in Saint Aidan's Church.

1. Attendance.

a. In Attendance.

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

Mrs Stephanie Tolson (Clerk).

b. Apologies.

No apologies were received.

2. Prioritisation of Agenda Items.

Item 5a and b will be dealt with at the beginning of the meeting.

3. Community Matters.

a. Public Participation Adjournment.

- None.

4a. Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 3rd October 2011, 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 Chair confirmed that the maintenance work to the play area had been completed.
- The Clerk informed the Council that Mr Greensmith requested feedback following his unsuccessful application for the Councillor vacancies. The Clerk is to write to him explaining the selection process and that his qualifications for the role were good, but that those of the successful candidates were even more so.
- The Chair reported that a group of horse riders had been seen on the playingfield. A sign is to be made to say that no horses, unauthorised vehicles and dog fouling are permitted on the field. Councillor Shaw will obtain a price and liaise with the chair.
- Councillor Mills reported that she had reported dog fouling incidents at the playingfield to BMBC and they had sent her a form to complete. It was reported that it appears that a dog walking company are walking dogs on the field early in the morning and not clearing up the dog mess. Councillor Taylor will attempt to obtain the details on the offender and will report back to the Clerk. The Clerk will report to BMBC.
- The planting of Rosa Regosa at the playingfield car park was discussed. It was noted that the Heritage Group would not fund this. The Chair will purchase approximately 20 Rosa Regosa plants and some wooden stakes. A date will then be set later this month for Councillors and any other volunteers to do the planting.
- The Clerk reported that she had informed the Wagon and Horses that they must request permission to use the field and have their own insurance arrangements.
- The Clerk is to write to the Wagon and Horses regarding the dry stone wall being in disrepair, and that OPC will not be liable for accidents as the wall belongs to them.

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- Councillor Stanley reported that the Foxfields development has started. The Clerk will contact BMBC planning about the S106 money.
- The Clerk reported that the Food Standards Agency is going to inspect Bramall abattoir following the reports of foul smells.
- Any other matters would be included in later agenda items.

5. Business Matters.

a. Co-option of new Councillor

- Ann Walker was co-opted onto the Council. (IS,IG)

b. New Councillor Declaration of Office

- The Clerk gave Mrs Walker a Councillor Declaration of Office pro-forma for completion. This was completed and read out by Mrs Walker and countersigned by the Clerk.

c. Community Partnership Facilities

- Councillor Stanley reported that OPSCC are next meeting on the 24th November.
- The Clerk reported that an interim bill had been received from the solicitor. The price was in line with the original agreement. There is no more work to be done on the lease now until the final detailed planning permission is obtained and an updated identification plan can be attached to the lease.

d. Meeting Times

- It was agreed to change future meeting times to 7.15pm as this would make getting to the meeting on time much easier for certain members. (IS,BT). All were in favour except the Chair.

d. Other Business

- The Christmas newsletter was discussed. Councillors Walker and Wood will write a few lines to introduce themselves to the Parish. Dates for Christmas events were discussed. Councillor Shaw will write a piece on the new POP in Club. Other items to include are dog fouling, and the Queens diamond jubilee. It was agreed that Councillors Wood and Walker would share the deliveries that Rob Chitoriski used to do (AWo, AWa).

6. Financial Matters

a. Payments and Receipts

Payments amounting to £2202.23 were presented and **agreed** for payment. (IS,IG)

b. Balances and Transfers

- There was one transfer during the month.

Transfers

Date	Ref	Name	Service/Item	Amount	Account
5 Oct 11	TRF	HSBC	Transfer d/a to c/a	1000.00	BANK TRANSFERS

- The closing Balances for 31st October 2011 are c/a £900.25 and d/a £7503.86, Imprest a/c £25.51.

c. Other Financial Matters

- None.

7. Planning Matters

a. Planning Applications.

- There were no planning applications to be considered.

8. Administrative Matters.

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a. Correspondence

- A list of correspondence had been circulated, and the Clerk added to this with recently received items.
- The Clerk reported that St Aidans has received a request to hold a Kettle Bell Class on Mondays from 7-8pm. The Council agreed that this was acceptable. (IS,FS). The Clerk will inform Mrs Thorp.
- Chris Booth had suggested that the Heritage Group funds may be suitable for planting some trees around the village to mark the jubilee next year. The Council decided against this idea.

b. Items to Report

- Councillor Stanley reported that Hade Edge Band want to charge the Travellers public house for the Christmas carol sing going forward. Councillor Stanley would like the council to look at continuing with having the band play in the village at Christmas in the future, with possibly discussing using it for the Oxspring friends carol concert. This is to be an agenda item next year.
- Councillor Shaw reported that three of the laurels at Gordon's Garden had been accidentally killed by the grass cutters. It was agreed that a border is required along the fencing so that all the laurels are within the border and there is no need to cut around them. It was also agreed that the laurels need to be extended to full length of the fencing. It was agreed to enquire whether the Heritage Group funds would fund a project to dig a border and plant the remaining laurels, and to do this as a jubilee project with a plaque dedicated to the jubilee to mark the occasion. (IS,BT).
- Councillor Wood enquired about the speed indicator device coming back to Roughbitchworth Lane. The Clerk informed him that we are on a waiting list for this. The Clerk will ask Councillor Barnard for the results of the recent SID in this area.
- Councillor Wood reported that he had caught a rat on the village green.
- Councillor Stanley reported that people are parking on the grass verge on the corner of Tollbar and Roughbitchworth Lane, and also on the double yellow lines in this location. The Clerk will enquire about this with the police.

9. Other Matters

a. Emergency Items

- None reported.

b. Matters for future discussion.

Community Partnership Facilities, Hade Edge Brass band.

7. Date and Time of the Next Meeting.

The next full meeting will be on Monday 5th December 2011 at 7.15pm at Saint Aidan's Church.

Signed this day _____ 2011.