

OXSPRING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 1st October 2012

At

7.15 in Saint Aidan's Church

1. Attendance

a. In attendance

Councillor I Goldthorpe	(IG)	(Chair)
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), BMBC Planning Officers Alice Hetherington & Helen Willows, 11 members of the public.

b. Apologies.

No Apologies were received.

2. Prioritisation of Agenda Items.

None.

3. Community Matters.

a. Public Participation Adjournment.

- The Parishioners present stated that they had attended as they wanted to speak with the BMBC planning representatives. It was explained that the planners were attending the meeting to give a presentation to the Parish Council and were not going to join in a public meeting.
- Councillor Walker explained to the public that the PC would be writing a letter of objection to the housing proposals after this meeting.
- The public present decided to stay and listen to the presentation part of the meeting.

b. Presentation from BMBC

- Alice Hetherington gave a presentation explaining the Development Sites and Places DPD.
- The main points given were that it is a consultation draft and not the final document, that the housing sites shown on the draft were a first sift and some have not been fully assessed yet for suitability, and that there was a focus on supplying lower density housing.
- Councillor Walker questioned the LFD as being at odds with the Core Strategy of 2010. The planners agreed that there had been a shift since the Core Strategy, but that the Core strategy had been right economically at the time of writing. It was also noted that the land in question was UDP safeguarded land and allocated as Green belt in the LDF 2005 preferred options draft. Alice Hetherington explained that the preferred options draft had been abandoned and the current LDF overrides it.
- The effectiveness of public notification of the consultation was questioned. Helen Willows explained that the use of "postcards" in previous consultations had not been cost effective or worked in getting the public's attention.
- Councillor Walker requested that the BMBC representatives inform her of the date that it was advertised in the newspapers.
- It was noted that the publication version of the LDF will be approved by cabinet in April 2013 and published in June 2013, it will then be examined and adopted by November 2014.
- It was noted that those who have responded to the consultation will be kept up to date and will be given feedback to their comments by BMBC planning.

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4a. Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 3rd September 2012, and Matters arising from them.

- The Chair **agreed** to sign the minutes as a true record after **agreement** by the Council (BT,FS). 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 craters in Blackmoor Lane were discussed. BMBC have delivered 40 tonnes of tarmac shavings to the playingfield car park and the Community Payback team has agreed to do the work. Hunshelf PC has agreed to pay for the work. BMBC will issue a temporary path closure.
- The playingfield footpath has been sprayed to kill the algae. Councillors will check that it has worked.
- The Chair will arrange some signs to put at the field saying that the path may be slippery under certain conditions.
- Any other matters would be included in later agenda items.

5. Business Matters.

a. Community Partnership Facilities

- Councillor Stanley reported that Chris Booth would be requesting permission to put a banner up at the playingfield car park to advertise OPSCC. This was **agreed** (IS,BT).

b. Allotments

- Willows allotments to be discussed at the next meeting.

c. Bower Dell

- A quote for £7620 has been received from BTCV using volunteers. This is more than double the quotes received previously from other contractors and which were used in the failed Community Support Fund application. This will be fed back to the Ward Councillors who had suggested that we go down the BTCV route, after turning down the CSF application.

d. Boules Pitch

- To be discussed at a later meeting.

e. Annual Walk Event

- This is to be discussed at the next meeting.
- It was agreed to close the Earmarked Fund for the Jubilee Walk.

f. Other Business

- The response letter to the LDF consultation was discussed. Councillor Walker stated that she would put the letter together and email to all Councillors and Volunteers for their feedback. A meeting will be held on Wednesday 10th to finalise the letter. It will then be posted and emailed prior to the 15th deadline.

6. Financial Matters

a. Payments and Receipts

Payments amounting to £566.62 and receipts of £20 were presented and **agreed** for payment. (AWa,IG)

b. Balances and Transfers

- There was one transfer during the month.

Transfers

Date	Ref	Name	Service/Item	Amount	Account
4 Sep 12	TRF	HSBC	Transfer d/a to c/a	2000.00	BANK TRANSFERS

- The closing Balances for 30th September 2012 are c/a £2162.18 and d/a £6570.10, Imprest a/c £17.89.

c. Other Financial Matters

- None.

7. Planning Matters

a. Planning Applications.

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- There were two planning applications to be considered:
- **2012/1012– Sycamore Farm** – Transformer Pole. It was noted that the Wind Turbine is now in place. Comments made were that it was close to the road and ideally cables should be underground.
- **2012/1021** – 6 dwellings **Roughbitchworth Lane** – resubmission. Comments were made again about traffic and that RB lane should have traffic calming measures or be one-way. It was noted that all the houses are 4 bed roomed, and it would be preferred that there were some 3 bed roomed houses.

8. Administrative Matters.

a. Correspondence

- A list of correspondence had been circulated, and the Clerk added to this with recently received items.

b. Items to Report

- Councillor Wood enquired about the pavement on Sheffield Road being extended from the playingfield car park to Blackmoor Lane. The Clerk will enquire with Councillor Barnard.
- Councillor Wood reported that he had recently moved several youths on from the village green car park that were drinking there in the evening.

9. Other Matters

a. Emergency Items

- None reported.

b. Matters for future discussion.

Annual Walk event, Community Partnership Facilities, Willows Allotments, Bower Dell area project, Boules Pitch.

7. Date and Time of the Next Meeting.

The next full meeting will be at 7.15pm on Monday 5th November 2012 at Saint Aidan's Church.

Signed this day 2012.