

OXSPRING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 10th January 2022 at 7.15pm at St Aidans Church

1. Attendance

a. In attendance

Councillor A Walker	(Chair)
Councillor G Sedgwick	(Vice Chair)
Councillor N Mckay	(NM)
Councillor E Gratton-Rayson	(EGR)
Councillor I Stanley	(IS)

In attendance: Mrs Stephanie Tolson (Clerk), Mandie Olofinlua (BMBC Neighbourhood Engagement Officer)

b. Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor L Chambers and Councillor I Goldthorpe.

2. Prioritisation of Agenda Items.

None.

3. Public Participation

Mandie Olofinlua gave the Parish Council a presentation on Cancer awareness and spoke about the most common cancers and the different screening tests. The NHS is trying to boost awareness as it has taken a backseat during the pandemic. The Parish Council agreed to put up posters in various locations and increase awareness via the Parish Council website and social media. Councillors thanked Mandie for attending.

4. Previous meeting minutes

4a. Minutes of the Meetings held on Monday 6th December 2021, and Matters arising from them.

- The Chair **agreed** to sign the minutes as a true record after **agreement** by the Council (AW, GS).
- BMBC have confirmed again and apologised for the delay that they will repair the fencing on Sheffield Road. The fence has been repaired this week.
- The school was written to regarding parking on Sheffield Road facing the oncoming traffic.
- The fencing near the gas station at the playarea was knocked by a car in December and has been repaired by Cadent Gas.
- The state of the wall along Sheffield Road opposite Longley Ings was raised by a resident prior to the meeting. The Parish Council has contacted the landowner previously and they were not interested in making repairs or working with the Parish Council on the matter. The smaller other sections of walls that were repaired previously in the village cost in the region of £15k and were done via a three way contribution from the Parish Council, a different landowner and grant funding. The wall opposite Longley Ings is a much bigger section meaning that the cost is prohibitive.

5. Business Matters

a. Titivator Update

- Titivator jobs completed include litter picking and taking the Christmas tree down.
- The tree saplings are heeled in and ready to plant.
- Cllr Gratton-Rayson is arranging a community day to plant the trees.

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b. Community Allotment & Orchard

- The polytunnel will be put up at the allotment if there is some mild weather with the assistance of Councillor Stanley.

c. Playarea Inspections

- Recent inspection reports were positive.
- The brake on the zip wire traveller has failed recently and an order has been raised with Axo for them to inspect and repair. The Clerk will chase this order and will find out a date for the Seesaw installation.

d. Speed Indicator Devices

- Approval has been received from the street lighting department at BMBC for the chosen three lampposts. BMBC have confirmed that the damaged post outside the Waggon & Horses is going to be replaced with a metal one.
- It was agreed to purchase 2 SID's, with an extra bracket and an extra Solar Panel for a 3rd lamppost, so that the devices can be rotated easily. The Clerk will obtain an updated quote.
- No response has been received from the letter to BMBC regarding speeding. It was agreed to invite Damon Brown to the next meeting to discuss issues.
- Cllrs Walker and Sedgwick will be attending a meeting with Alan Billings the SY Police and Crime Commissioner later in January and will raise traffic safety concerns in Oxspring.

6. Financial Matters

a. Payments and Receipts

The following items were presented and **agreed** for payment. (AW,GS)

<u>Payments</u>					
Date	Ref	Name	Service/Item	Gross amount	Account
Current Account					
8 Jan 22	DD	SSE	ELECTRICITY PLAYINGFIELD	26.45	MAINTENANCE PLAYINGFIELD
10 Jan 22	BP/45	KDA	COMPOST	10.95	PLANTERS/BASKETS/TREE
10 Jan 22	BP/46	BMBC	HANGING BASKETS 2021	2834.82	PLANTERS/BASKETS/TREE
20 Jan 22	SO	S TOLSON	CLERK SALARY	585.43	WAGES, PAYE, NI, PENS.,
20 Jan 22	SO	S TOLSON	IMPREST ACCOUNT	15.00	BANK TRANSFERS
				3472.65	
Deposit Account					
6 Dec 21	TRF	HSBC	MONEY MARKET REINVESTMENT	23000.00	BANK TRANSFERS
				23000.00	
<u>Receipts</u>					
Date	Ref	Name	Service/Item	Amount	Account
Current Account					
6 Dec 21	TRF	HSBC	MONEY MARKET INTEREST	0.82	INTEREST on INVTS & A/CS
				0.82	
Deposit Account					
6 Dec 21	TRF	HSBC	MONEY MARKET MATURITY	33000.00	BANK TRANSFERS
				33000.00	
<u>Transfers</u>					
Date	Ref	Name	Service/Item	Amount	Account
NONE					

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b. Balances and Transfers

- The closing Balances for 31st December 2021 are c/a £4,936.09 and d/a £10,353.76, Money Market £23,000, Imprest a/c £23.50.

c. Other Financial Matters

- The Precept for 2022 was discussed along with the current year budget and spend to date. It was agreed to set the precept at £21,000.

7. Planning Matters

a. Planning applications submitted to BMBC

There were no new planning applications.

There was one amendment to an existing application to consider:

2021/0949 – Land off Bower Hill (Marshalls) – Retrospective application for agricultural building – under consideration – amendment to plan to show mobile poultry shed. This was discussed and it was agreed to send in further comments to the application.

b. Other Planning Matters

The following applications are still **under consideration** with BMBC:

2021/0295 – 6 Sheffield Road – New dwelling in the garden
2020/1387 - Land at Roughbitchworth Lane - 7 dwellings
2021/1531 – 22 Mayfield – single storey extension

The following applications have been **approved** by BMBC:

2021/1042 – workshop at Kirkwood Mill
2021/1398 – 4 Toll Bar Close – rear extension

The following applications have been **refused** by BMBC:

2021/1262 – The Willows – 2 semi-detached houses

The following applications have had an **appeal** lodged with the inspectorate:

2020/1269 – Land off Millstones – no further update
2021/1335 – 4 Sycamore View – Porch – no further update

8. Administration Matters

a. Correspondence

- A report of an overgrown hedge between the Willows and St Aidans which is restricting the footpath was reported to BMBC Neighbourhood Services in December. The Clerk will also report to Berneslai Homes.

b. Items to Report

- The Chair confirmed that Mr Hughes has done a number of jobs withing the village as requested. The invoice has been received since the meeting.
- It was noted that the Pop In Club are asking for more volunteers. This will be put on social media.
- A digital newsletter was discussed and an alternate format using MS PowerPoint was proposed which could include colour and pictures. It was agreed that there could be 3 issues per year, Spring, Summer and Christmas. Councillor Sedgwick stated that he would create a template for future newsletters.

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9. Other Matters

a. Emergency Items

- None reported.

8. Date and Time of the Next Meeting.

The next meeting will be on Monday 7th February 22 at 7.15pm at Saint Aidans Church.

Signed this day _____ 2022.