

OXSPRING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 5th January 2015

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 F Shaw	(FS)	
Councillor I Stanley	(IS)	
Councillor B Taylor	(BT)	
Councillor A Wood	(AW)	

Mrs Stephanie Tolson (Clerk).

b. Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor A Mills and. (IS, BT)

2. Prioritisation of Agenda Items.

None.

3. Community Matters.

a. Public Participation Adjournment.

- None.

4a. Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 1st December 2014, and Matters arising from them.

- The Chair **agreed** to sign the minutes as a true record after **agreement** by the Council (IG,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 grant funding for the playarea seating has been received. Councillor Shaw is to hold a meeting at the playarea to decide the location as soon as possible. The Chair will then inform Mr Mitchell that the bases can be done. The Clerk will then place the order. There will be a 4 week lead time for the seats.
- The order for the new swing bridge and Train parts is in progress. Delivery is expected this month.
- Councillor Stanley has not received the quote for the notice board yet.
- Councillor Walker reported that it is not possible to purchase a combined maypole and flagpole. She will obtain quotes and specs for a new flagpole for the next meeting. It was proposed to make a maypole attachment to use with the new flagpole. Councillor Walker will investigate the ribbons that would be required and the radius needed around the pole. The Clerk will contact the School Head to see if they would be interested in taking on a maypole and making use of it.
- Sarah Ford from BMBC has confirmed that the TPT through Oxspring will be tidied up this month and new wood chippings will be put down.
- It was noted that the manholes in Silkstone Common have now been rectified.
- The Chair reported that BMBC have now completed the works to the pavement on Bower Hill.
- Any other matters would be included in later agenda items.

5. Business Matters.

a. Neighbourhood Plan

- Councillor Walker explained that the funding has now all been spent including the 10% that was held back. The Clerk will complete the financial part of the monitoring form, before Councillor Walker submits it. The remaining 10% of the grant will then be forwarded to the Council.

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- Councillor Walker explained that she attended the PRB meeting as a resident to object to the planning application for the Paddock.
- The Parish Council will be writing to Councillor S Houghton at BMBC and Eric Pickles MP regarding the Neighbourhood Plan and the approval of premature planning applications, and will express the Council's disappointment at the recent approval for 3 executive houses on Green Space within Oxspring. Councillor Walker circulated the proposed letters for Council approval. These letters are to be sent this week.
- A letter in response to the Local Plan Consultation will be sent to BMBC this week.
- Councillor Walker reported that the draft Neighbourhood Plan is ready for public consultation; it includes suggested policies and public questionnaires. It will be distributed to residents prior to the public meetings at the end of January.

b. Playingfield Footpath

- Councillor Taylor reported that he has had trouble getting hold of a supplier. The Chair provided him with some numbers to try.

c. Titivators

- Councillor Shaw spoke about the ongoing work at the Rose Bed. The Clerk confirmed that the Parish Council had signed a licence with BMBC to maintain the bed in April 14.
- Litter picking has been ongoing, in particular in Bower Dell.
- The litter at the playingfield car park was discussed. The police have been notified re the regular littering and parking of cars late in the evenings, and have said that they will monitor the situation.
- Councillor Taylor will raise the issue at the next PACT meeting.
- Councillor Taylor will do an inspection of Parish Council trees prior to the next meeting.
- The Titivators have reported that they have had positive comments from residents re the changes to Bower Dell.
- The Titivators equipment is currently being serviced.

d. Grass Verge Sheffield Road

- A quote is still awaited from BMBC.

e. Other Business

- None.

6. Financial Matters

a. Payments and Receipts

Payments amounting to £3709 and receipts of £1482 were presented and **agreed** for payment. (IS,IG)

b. Balances and Transfers

- There were no transfers during the month.
- The closing Balances for 31st December 2014 are c/a £2469.90 and d/a £3300.56, Imprest a/c £41.66.

c. Other Financial Matters

- The Finance Sub Committee will meet this month to discuss the budget and precept for 2015.

7. Planning Matters

a. Planning Applications.

- There was one planning application for consideration.
- 2014/1053 – 2 Old Mill Cottages - No objections.
- The Clerk is to enquire with BMBC planning on the £15,000 S106 agreement that is part of the planning approval for the Paddock, and how this money is to be allocated.

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8. Administrative Matters.

a. Correspondence

- None.

b. Items to Report

- Councillor Taylor thanked Alan Walker and Graham Sedgwick for their help with the Christmas tree.
- It was noted that Gladys Wood is currently ill. The Chair will send her a get well card from the Parish Council.
- Councillor Walker raised the issue of electricity for the Christmas tree, this was discussed.
- It was noted that the Water Board and BMBC have been working on the drains near the Waggon & Horses.
- It was reported that there have been complaints from residents about the burning of industrial waste in the car park of the Waggon & Horses and that the backyard is an eyesore around the rubbish bins. The Clerk is to write a letter to the Owner.

9. Other Matters

a. Emergency Items

- None reported.

b. Matters for future discussion.

Neighbourhood Plan, Playingfield footpath, Titivators update, Grass Verge Sheffield Road.

7. Date and Time of the Next Meeting.

The next full meeting will be at 7.15pm on Monday 2nd February 2015 at Saint Aidan's Church.

Signed this day _____ 2015.