

OXSPRING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 7th December 2015

At

7.15 in Saint Aidan's Church

1. Attendance

a. In attendance

Councillor I Goldthorpe	(IG)	(Chair)
Councillor A Mills	(AM)	
Councillor G Sedgwick	(GS)	
Councillor I Stanley	(IS)	

Mrs Stephanie Tolson (Clerk), Ward Councillor R Barnard, P Whitehouse (Barnsley Chronicle).

b. Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor E Gratton-Rayson, Councillor F Shaw and Councillor A Walker. (AM, GS)

2. Prioritisation of Agenda Items.

None.

3. Community Matters.

a. Public Participation Adjournment.

- Ward Councillor Barnard spoke to the Council about the Local Plan additional consultation and about the proposed new policy for areas of search for Wind Turbines. Councillors agreed that there are enough turbines in the area already and felt that the area of search was not required, in particular around the Sheephouse Heights area. Correspondence from the Upper Don Action Group was noted. The Clerk will comment on this policy when replying to the consultation.
- Councillor Barnard also spoke about public participation at PC meetings, and stated that some Council's require 48 hours notice from public to speak at meetings. This has been discussed before, and Councillors agreed to leave Oxspring PC's public participation as it is.

4a. Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 2nd November 2015, and Matters arising from them.

- The Chair **agreed** to sign the minutes as a true record after **agreement** by the Council (IS,IG). 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.
- Regarding the Clean and Tidy project, the Clerk has submitted a request to tidy up the Willow Lane area in conjunction with Sarah Ford of BMBC.
- Councillor Stanley spoke about the Willows allotments, and confirmed that the fencing was still up, and that he would speak to Mrs Hjulgaard.
- The crumbling wall at St Aidans has been reported to Father Joy.
- Councillor Sedgwick reported that he will speak to B Taylor re the base cover of the flagpole which is broken. It was noted that the flag was raised on remembrance Sunday.
- Any other matters would be included in later agenda items.

5. Business Matters.

a. Neighbourhood Plan

- The Draft NP is currently available for comment, and details were sent out with the recent newsletter.
- The group have received a 1 month extension to spend the allocated grant. It is mostly spent. Kirkwells have invoiced the group which will be paid in stages.

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- A number of letters from Yorkshire Land were read and noted. Acknowledgements have been sent.
 - Councillor Stanley stated that he is concerned that all residents need individual copies of the draft plan as not everyone is able to view it online. It was noted that it is available at several locations and that copies can be posted out on request. He will speak to Councillor Walker about the issue.
 - The deadline for comments was also discussed as to whether it should be extended into January. This would also be discussed with the NP group later in the week.
- b. Playingfield Footpath**
- Planings for the remainder of the work have been pre-ordered for the Spring.
- c. Titivators**
- Councillor Sedgwick gave an update from the Titivators.
 - Litter picking has been done regularly.
 - He reported two dead trees in Bower Dell.
 - The Clerk reported a complaint about the Rookery Trees overhanging the pavement on Sheffield Road. The Titivators will trim these in the spring.
 - The Christmas tree is up.
 - It was noted that the tree lights have been PAT tested. The Clerk will enquire with the Councils insurers whether this is required annually.
 - The equipment is in for servicing.
 - It was noted that the stone wall where the Culvert comes out near Sheffield Road is eroded. It was agreed to point this out to BMBC.
 - It was also suggested that this could be part of a walling project that is being coordinated with J Openshaw.
 - Councillor Gratton Rayson had submitted prices for spraying equipment. It was decided to discuss this when she is present due to the nature of the equipment and where it will be stored.
- d. Oxspring Open Gardens**
- Nothing was reported in Councillor Gratton-Raysons absence.
- e. Other Business**
- None.

6. Financial Matters

a. Payments and Receipts

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

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Payments

Date	Ref	Name	Service/Item	Gross amount	Account
Current Account					
7 Dec 15	41/101971	SLCC	Membership renewal	131.00	ADMINISTRATION
7 Dec 15	42/101972	Kirkwells Ltd	#Draft NP & EA assessment	2160.00	ADMINISTRATION
7 Dec 15	43/101973	BMBC	Playground inspections	406.00	ADMINISTRATION
7 Dec 15	44/101974	Keep Britain Tidy	Dog Foul signs	720.00	ADVERTISING & PUBLICITY
7 Dec 15	45/101975	Barnsley College	Newsletter printing	56.20	ADVERTISING & PUBLICITY
7 Dec 15	46/101975	KDA	Storage box flags	6.97	MAINTENANCE
7 Dec 15	47/101976	Timberplay Ltd	Zip wire repair/parts	1681.02	MAINTENANCE
7 Dec 15	48/101977	Windmill Nursery	Christmas tree	160.00	MAINTENANCE
7 Dec 15	49/101978	Amazon	#Outdoor box xmas lights	25.49	MAINTENANCE
7 Dec 15	50/101979	Broadfield Electrical	#PAT testing xmas lights	50.00	MAINTENANCE
9 Dec 15	DD	PWLB	Loan repayment	569.05	LOAN INTEREST & REPAYMEI
21 Dec 15	SO	S Tolson	Clerks salary	533.74	WAGES, PAYE, NI, PENS., EXF
21 Dec 15	SO	S Tolson	Imprest account	15.00	BANK TRANSFERS
Deposit Account					
11 Nov 15		HSBC	Money Market reinvestment	33000.00	INVESTMENTS

Receipts

Date	Ref	Name	Service/Item	Amount	Account
Current Account					
8 Nov 15	CR	Penistone Church Football	Donation for field use	40.00	RECEIPTS
11 Nov 15	CR	HSBC	Money Market interest	28.73	INTEREST on INVTS & A/CS
20 Nov 15	CR	A Roe	Allotment rents	10.00	ALLOTMENTS
Deposit Account					
11 Nov 15	CR	HSBC	Money market maturity	38000.00	INVESTMENTS

b. Balances and Transfers

- There was one transfer during the month.

Transfers

Date	Ref	Name	Service/Item	Amount	Account
7 Nov 15	TRF	HSBC	Bank transfer d/a to c/a	1000.00	BANK TRANSFERS

- The closing Balances for 30th November 2015 are c/a £1799.60 and d/a £14305.52, Imprest a/c £2.39.

c. Other Financial Matters

- None.

7. Planning Matters

a. Planning Applications.

- There were no planning applications to consider.
- A reply for the Local Plan additional consultation was circulated, and agreed. Comments are to be made on the housing at Castle Green and the effect this would have on the roads around Oxspring, and also on the new Wind Turbine policy. The Clerk will reply to the consultation.

8. Administrative Matters.

a. Correspondence

- An invite to the Mayors Civic Carol Service on the 17th December was noted. No one is available.

b. Items to Report

- Councillor Stanley reported that he now has the old noticeboard and is repairing it.
- It was noted that barriers are required for the Christmas tree, and that B Taylor is picking them up.

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- It was noted that the Christmas tree needs better anchor points as it was blown over in the recent heavy winds. This will be looked at next autumn.
- It was noted that the Mayors Service for Penistone is Sunday 20th at 6pm, although an official invite hasn't yet been received. Councillors are welcome.
- It was noted that there are new street lights in the village. These use less power and cause less light pollution.
- Councillor Mills reported potholes on Sheffield Road near Mount Pleasant. The Clerk will report.
- Councillor Mills reported that a car that parks on the grass verge on Roughbitchworth Lane at the top of Tollbar Close blocks the line of site for cars exiting Tollbar. As the car is inside the yellow lines a ticket cannot be issued. Councillor Barnard stated that he will take a look and contact Highways.
- It was noted that there have been no flooding issues so far at the bottom of Thurgoland Bank. This is since new drains were put into the river bottom.
- Councillor Sedgwick reported that he has B Taylor's old gate keys.

9. Other Matters

a. Emergency Items

- None reported.

b. Matters for future discussion.

Neighbourhood Plan, Playingfield footpath, Titivators update, Oxspring Open Gardens.

7. Date and Time of the Next Meeting.

The next full meeting will be at 7.15pm on Monday 4th January 2016 at Saint Aidan's Church.

Signed this day _____ 2016.