

BLETCHINGDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in Bletchingdon Village Hallon Thursday 20th July, 2017 at 7:30pm

Present: Cllr A.K.Saunders (Chair), Cllr Mrs M.Knight, Cllr Miss J.Benton, Cllr M.E.Taylor, Cllr D.Ledger & District Cllr David Hughes (part)

124/17 **Apologies:** Cllr C.E.Lane, County Cllr Carmen Griffiths

125/17 **Declarations of Interest:** None

126/17 **Public Participation:** No public present

127/17 **To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 29th June 2017:** The Minutes were approved by PC and signed by Cllr Saunders.

128/17 **Update on progress from the Minutes:**

- a) Sanctuary Housing re: Valentia Close – It was agreed that Claire Fraser was making some progress and that the Clerk was to continue to chase as required.
- b) Police update – Cllr Saunders reported that PC Tony Alderman had been in touch with the Clerk and said he would be visiting the Lane’s soon. If we ever need to contact him he has given the Clerk his number PC1126 and we are to call 101. The Clerk has also been informed that the next Community Forum meeting is on the 13th September at HQ South Kidlington at 18:30.
- c) Marlborough School bus progress – No response from OCC to letter sent, but support from Yarnton PC and John Howell would like to be informed of response from OCC.
- d) Bus stop – Cllr Saunders reported that Jez Pewsey had apologised for rubbish being left at bus stop after the re-painting.
- e) Cherwell DC list for Cllr Hughes – Cllr Saunders read his list, good things being bin emptying and (until this year) residential streets grass cutting. Cllr Ledger added that the planning process should be more holistic. Clerk to send list to Cllr Hughes.
- f) The Blacks Head – Cllr Ledger informed meeting that he had written to the agent who said they are still trying to put the planning application together
- g) Thames Water – Cllr Ledger showed a map of the sewage system – The Clerk will continue to log smells with Thames Water
- h) Bletchingdon Park trees – the Clerk will contact Paul Timms to ensure overhanging branches (along the path by the wall on Weston Road) are dealt with.
- i) Gap on Springwell Hill – It was agreed that this was a OCC highways matter and the Clerk should contact OCC re potential safety issue here
- j) OCC verge cutting – Cllr Saunders reported that the verges are now being cut. It was suggested that information about where to report things was put in Village News. Clerk to action.
- k) CDC residential roads grass cutting – Cllr Saunders reported that good response from CDC, but that the Clerk was still chasing as not done yet.
- l) Greenscythe – Cllr Benton will inspect weeded areas and report back to the Clerk
- m) Unadopted Road leading to church – Cllr Ledger had been in correspondence with Percy Lawson (agent for Bletchingdon Park) but as yet an unresolved matter. Cllr Ledger also asked the Clerk to find out where OCC get boundary signs from as the PC still hasn’t decided about purchasing two for the roads without them.

129/17 **Enforcement Update:** Cllr Saunders reported that CDC had served requisitions and anticipated non-compliance and expect to take owner of land south of Diamond Farm to court.

130/17 **Traffic Calming Consultation:** Cllr Saunders explained the consultation and it was discussed. The PC supports the proposals noting that altering the location of the 30mph limit

is 10 years overdue and that the crossing should be a priority as the school has been open for 2 years already. The Clerk is to ask OCC if we can be informed when this goes to committee.

131/17 Finance:

131a/17 Cllrs were asked to consider invoices for payments itemised on the payment schedule

Cheque No	Payee and Reason	Budget	Minute Ref	Total Amount	VAT
101489	J Pusey	General Admin	048/17	£180	N/A
101490	Jamie McNaught	General Admin	086/17(h)	£50	N/A
101491	Duncan Ledger	General Admin	109/17	£36.00	N/A
			Total	£266.00	£0

132/17 Planning Matters:

132a/17 To consider all recent Applications received from Cherwell District Council detailed below or on the District Council website up to the date of the meeting;

17/01463/CLUE - Keepers Cover, Weston-on-the-Green - Certificate of Lawfulness of existing use - to clarify the extent of residential garden area being used by existing and former owners. PC agreed that there was not enough information to comment on.

17/01298/F - Hill Top Cottage, Lince Lane - Rear extension - this application was discussed and no objections raised.

17/01437/F - 7-8 Bletchingdon Park Stables, Church End - Installation of new oil tank - PC had no objections

132b/17 To note Notices of Decisions; None

133/17 **Reports from meetings:** None, but Cllr Benton informed PC that there was an Airport meeting taking place on 13th September.

134/17 **Correspondence Received:** Cllr Knight reported that she and the Clerk had reported an 'Ambulance' parked in Annesley Close to South Oxon Ambulance Service who had no record of the vehicle. Cllr Saunders then reported the vehicle to the police who have responded stating that details have been passed around the force to be aware of vehicle.

Items for next Agenda only:

135/17 **Dog Fouling Signs:** Both Cllr Knight and Cllr Kersh want to how to obtain dog fouling surveillance signs and want additional help from CDC as problem has not gone away.

136/17 **Hedge/trees Weston Road:** Cllr Taylor reported that at Beehive Corner the hedge sticks out into the road. To be investigated.

137/17 **Trees at Recreation Ground Play Area:** Cllr Benton reminded PC that these will probably need doing again - all agreed to ask Jake Williams to do them as soon as possible.

138/17 **Kirtlington Fair signs:** All agreed these signs need removing.

139/17 **Hodgeman's Spinney:** Cllr Ledger reported that this could be seized as 'village green' - to be investigated and put on future agenda.

123/17 **Date of Next Meeting:** Cllrs confirmed the date of the next meeting as **31st August 2017** at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 9:25pm