



# EYNESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council Meeting  
in the Bartholomew Room at 7.30pm  
on Tuesday 12 November 2019

## MINUTES

**Councillors Present** – Cllr G Beach (Chairman), Cllr Brown, Cllr P Crowley, Cllr C Edwards, Cllr A Mosson, Cllr S Osborne, Cllr N Relph and Cllr C Rylett.

**Also in Attendance** – Clerk to the Council and 2 members of the public.

**19/176 To receive apologies for absence** – Cllr Crowe, Cllr Macken and Cllr M Zumbuhl.

**19/177 To receive Declarations of Interest in agenda items** – None.

**19/178 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 8 October 2019** – It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes were signed as a true record.

**19/179 Public Participation - to receive submissions from members of the public relating to items on the agenda, in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct and Standing Orders** – None.

**19/180 To welcome Eynsham Pre-School to discuss a grant application** – The Chair of Eynsham Pre-School addressed the Council and outlined the current difficulties it faces. The Pre-School has an Outstanding Ofsted rating and provides wrap-around care for children from the age of 2. With the re-organisation of the Pre-School, the new management is making positive steps in providing a more long term future. Members queried future funding/financial aspects. The application will be considered by the Finance & General Purposes Committee on 3 December and the recommendations considered by Full Council in the following weeks.

**19/181 To appoint a Vice Chair to the Council** – Cllr Nick Relph was appointed as Vice Chair who will actively take on the role with effect from 1 January. Cllr Crowley agreed to be a Champion for the A40 planning issues and jointly Cllr Rylett and Cllr Mosson agreed to be Champions for the Garden Village.

**19/182 To receive correspondence:-**

- (a) Email from resident of Mill Street – HGV parking concern. Noted.
- (b) Email from resident of Newland Close – Streetlight maintenance. Noted.
- (c) Email from Power for People – Local Electricity Bill support. Noted.
- (d) Email from SSAFA – VE Day 75. The Council is unable to support at the current time.
- (e) Press Release – West Oxfordshire District Council (WODC) – Street cleaning grant. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk is to claim the funds.
- (f) Letter from Grant Shapps, Secretary of State for Transport – A40. Noted.
- (g) Email from WODC – Name options for the Garden Village. Members were incredibly disappointed with the proposed names, short consultation period and the process that lacks transparency. It was agreed that the Clerk respond to WODC accordingly and that an Extra Parish Council meeting is held to discuss the subject more fully and propose names for submission to WODC.
- (h) Four Communications – Briefing meeting to be arranged. Date to be recommended.

**19/183 To consider the Clerk's Report and agree actions** – Report was received and queries raised.

**19/184 Finance.**

- (a) To approve payment of accounts – It was **RESOLVED** to pay the accounts as presented.
- (b) To approve bank reconciliation – It was **RESOLVED** to approve the bank reconciliation.
- (c) To be advised of income and expenditure – Noted.

**19/185 To consider the following planning applications:-**

- (a) 19/02783/HHD - 33 Beech Road - Erection of two storey front and rear extensions. Comment only re. out of character/incongruous extensions.
- (b) 19/02829/HHD - 33A High Street - Loft conversion and roof extension of a detached single storey dwelling and subsuming of an existing open porch. No comment.

**19/186 To note recent decisions made** – Noted. The Aurora Solar Farm application is yet to be determined.

**19/187 To receive an update on the Eynsham Neighbourhood Plan and agree actions** – The referendum date has been set for Thursday 30 January 2020. Clerk is to discuss in the January Eynsham News.

**19/188 To receive an update on the A40 Improvements and Park & Ride planning application, note recent announcements and agree actions.** The Chairman summarised the current position and advised he has a meeting to discuss the project with Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) scheduled.

**19/189 To receive reports from Councillors representing the Council on outside bodies/meetings** – Cllr Osborne – Allotment Association meeting – Noted that 2 very kind residents have cleared vegetation along the allotments boundary.

Cllr Rylett – Reported on OCC's Comet Bus Service which now serves Hanborough and Eynsham. Whilst it is great to have a new bus service, it was recommended that it uses the Mill Street bus stops instead of stopping at Bartholomew School due to existing traffic in that area.

Cllr Crowley – Bartholomew Sports Hall meeting. GLL reported a slight profit for first time. Holiday activities not supported. The next Parish Transport Representatives meeting is in February and the next Village Hall Management Committee meeting is on 20 November.

Cllr Beach – Met with Eynsham Primary School PTA re Xmas light switch on. Met with Polar Ventures. Attended WODC Town & Parish Forum. Met with the Police and Parking Enforcement (Publica). County Cllr Mathew and Cllr Beach met with OCC to discuss the Thornbury Road development. A report will be provided by OCC on monitoring and actions. Met with Mike Wasley, OCC to discuss a Traffic Regulation Order. Attended the Remembrance Day proceedings.

**19/190 To note dates of the next Eynsham Parish Council meetings:-**

- Extra Full Council meeting – 19 November at 6.30pm.
- Play Areas Committee – 19 November at 7.30pm.
- Finance & General Purposes Committee – 3 December at 7.30pm.
- Planning Committee meeting – 10 December at 6.30pm (if required).
- Full Council meeting – 10 December at 7.30pm.

At the conclusion of this part of the meeting, the Chairman moved that, considering the confidential nature of the business to be discussed, the public, press and broadcast media be excluded for the remainder of the meeting in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

**To consider a tender report from Leys Longden, consider funding options and appoint a contractor for the Bartholomew Room refurbishment work** - Deferred. Standing Orders were suspended in order for the meeting to exceed its 2.5 hours limit (item 3. (x) refers).

**19/191 To consider the acquisition of land for public use** – It was **RESOLVED** that the Council agree in principle to the proposal. Detailed information is to be pursued.

**19/192 To consider a Councillor complaint and agree actions** – Supporting documents were circulated prior to the meeting. Councillors were encouraged to continue reporting contraventions to the Police and WODC.

The meeting closed at 10.30pm.