



# EYNSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council Meeting  
held remotely at 7.30pm  
on Tuesday 3 November 2020

## MINUTES

**Councillors Present** – Cllr G Beach (Chairman), Cllr S Brown, Cllr M Chen, Cllr K Crowe, Cllr R Macken, Cllr A Mosson, Cllr S Osborne, Cllr N Relph, Cllr C Rylett, Cllr F Zealley and Cllr M Zumbuhl.

Also in Attendance – Clerk to the Council. There were three members of the public present.

**20/228 To receive apologies for absence** – None.

**20/229 To receive Declarations of Interest in agenda items** – Cllr Osborne declared a prejudicial interest in 20/239 (a) (iii) and abstained from the item.

**20/230 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 20 October 2020** – It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes were signed as a true record.

**20/231 Public Participation** – Oxfordshire County Cllr Mathew reported on his approved motion to Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) that a rail link for Carterton-Witney-Eynsham-Oxford will be explored in order to promote sustainable travel for the future as an alternative to using the A40.

**20/232 To receive correspondence** – The Clerk reported on notice of a consultation for a ‘build out’ of the Acre End Close bus stop. For discussion at the next meeting.

**20/233 To receive the Clerk’s Report** – The Clerk reported on an amendment to the Council’s Traffic Regulation Order for double yellow lines at Orchard Close which was felt acceptable. For approval at the next meeting. The Clerk updated members on various actions.

**20/234 To consider Martyn Cattermole for co-option to the Council** – Mr Cattermole provided an account of himself and how he could contribute towards the Council’s work. Clerk is to forward further information to Mr Cattermole for consideration as to whether he still wishes to be co-opted.

**20/235 To consider quotes for electrical work for this years’ Xmas light display in The Square** – It was **RESOLVED** to accept Tech-Lec’s quote of £2825 for the work.

**20/236 To consider quotes for the repair of Dovehouse Close Play Area equipment** – As further quotes are still being pursued, it was agreed to defer this to the next meeting.

**20/237 To consider the updated grass cutting/weedkilling specification for pursual of quotes** – Members discussed the option of obtaining quotes for environmentally/biodiversity friendly weedkilling as well as a glyphosate option (as previously used). Pug Lane was added to the weedkilling map. Clerk is to update the documents and obtain quotes in readiness for budget setting meetings. The dangerous state of the footpaths at Greens Road was discussed. Clerk is to ask OCC to inspect.

**20/238 To consider a response to Cumnor Neighbourhood Plan (if appropriate)** – No comment.

### **20/239 Planning matters**

(a) To consider planning application:-

- (i) 20/02399/HHD - Juniper House, 3 Wrights Lane - Erection of single storey rear extension. No objection.
- (ii) 20/02779/HHD - 38 Witney Road - Alterations and erection of detached workshop/store. Members were unable to come to a conclusion due to insufficient/poor quality information.

- (iii) 20/02543/HHD - Hawthorn House, Hawthorn Road - Erection of two storey side extension. Concern was expressed that the extension could be used for business use that could detrimentally impact on neighbours. It was **RESOLVED** to not object on the assumption that the application is for residential use. However, if the Local Planning Authority is minded to approve the application, it should be subject to a condition to ensure the extension remains ancillary accommodation to the host dwelling for residential use only. Cllr Osborne abstained from the agenda item.
- (iv) 20/02776/HHD - Erection of home office attached to garage of No. 26 Chilbridge Road - 28 Chilbridge Road. No comment regarding the application in planning terms. However, it is felt that the quality of the application is below standard and lacks detail. The Council is unable to conclude whether the proposal will easily assimilate into the area.
- (b) To review the planning applications log and note recent decisions - Noted.
- (c) To receive an update on any matters relating to Salt Cross Garden Village and West Eynsham Strategic Development Area. Cllr Rylett reported that the Garden Village Area Action Plan will be sent to the Planning Inspector later this month. If the plan is acceptable in principle, a Public Enquiry will be scheduled for January.

**20/240 To receive reports from Councillors representing the Council on outside bodies/ meetings** – Cllr Relph reported on a meeting regarding a community museum at Lords Farm. It was noted that Oxford Preservation Trust's planning application will be considered at the November Lowlands Planning Sub-Committee. Cllr Macken reported that the planned GreenTEA event has now been cancelled for the time being. Cllr Beach reported on attendance of briefings by Homes England and Housing First. Meeting held with OCC and Cllr Mathew regarding Thornbury Road and Hazeldene (roads are nearing adoption).

**20/241 To note dates of the next Parish Council meetings:-**

- (a) Full Council Meeting – 17 November at 7.30pm.
- (b) Full Council Meeting – 1 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.

**20/242 To receive an update on a complaint made to West Oxfordshire District Council (WODC) and agree actions** – Cllr Beach provided a summary of the complaint to date and read the most recent email from WODC to members. It was **RESOLVED** that a joint press release will be requested in order to update residents and to correct the online media reports. The Council wish to take the opportunity to build a stronger relationship with the District Council.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.