

**AT THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF EYNHAM PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON TUESDAY 1ST FEBRUARY 2005 AT 7.30 PM AT THE BARTHOLOMEW ROOMS, EYNHAM**

**Present:** Mr G Beach (Chairman)  
Mrs L Gerrans, Mrs E Graham, Mrs V Hughes, Mrs M Jones, Mrs D Seeney  
Messrs. P Dhesi, T Green, N Hines, P Hughes, J Mittell, C Roles, D Rossiter, Dr F Wright (part time)

**In Attendance:** J Heath (Clerk), one member of the public.

**05/028 Apologies for Absence** – Apologies were received from Ms G Barwell.

**05/029 Police Report**

Area Beat Officer Gordon Richardson reported that there had been no major offences in the village, apart from the ongoing thefts from the petrol station. There is still a problem with petty vandalism from the youth in the village. It was reported that a member of the public had been subjected to verbal abuse. ABO Richardson to look into the traffic warden situation and also the parking problems outside the library.

**Mr Mittell joined the meeting**

It was emphasised that all incidents should be reported to the police so that they are aware of the level of crime in the village.

**05/030 Minutes of the Meeting of 18th January 2005**

The minutes of 18th January 2005 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

**05/031 Clerk's Report**

**Item No 4 Warning sign re. children in Dovehouse Close** – The Clerk reported that this had been discussed at the recent Traffic Advisory Committee. Mr Wilson of Oxfordshire County Council Highways Department had agreed to investigate signs for the Wytham View play area to be erected in Dovehouse Close.

**Item 6 Bollards** – Mr Wilson of OCC Highways Department was informed that the replacement of the bollard in the market square is still awaited.

**Item 9 Market Towns Initiative and Parish Plans** – A meeting to be arranged for the end of March.

**Item 12 Bins and Benches** – Working party to arrange a meeting and report back to the Council.

**Item 15 Toilet Refurbishment** – The Clerk read out a letter from West Oxfordshire District Council confirming the maintenance of the toilet block.

**Item 20 Mill Street Traffic Calming** – Confirmed at the Traffic Advisory Committee that this would be started in May 2005.

**Item 21 Pelican Crossing** – Mr Wilson would ascertain the current position with this and whether a zebra crossing, which is less costly than the pelican crossing, would be more suitable.

**05/032 Urgent Business Raised with Prior Consent of the Chairman**

There was no urgent business.

**05/033 Declaration of Interests**

The following declarations were noted in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000, s81 and the Parish Council's (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2001:

Mr Rossiter – West Oxfordshire District Council

Mr Dhesi, Mr Mittell, Dr Wright, Mr Roles – Village Hall Management Committee.

**At this point the Chairman proposed that agenda items 10, 11 and 13 should be brought forward to enable Dr Wright to leave for another appointment. Seconded by the Vice-Chairman. Motion passed unanimously.**

**05/034 Report of OALC Meeting – Dr Wright**

**34.1** Anti-Social Behaviour – The meeting had agreed that any measures to reduce this should be funded by central government.

**34.2** Parking at Headington hospitals paper circulated.

**34.3** Clerks' pay structure was at present still under review.

**34.4** Partnership meetings were to be held in the county. Details circulated.

**34.5** Delegated powers to sub-committees and Code of Conduct. It was pointed out that with small committees there is a possibility of it becoming inquorate due to declarations of interests and illness.

## 05/035 Report of the Village Hall Management Committee

- 35.1 Recommendation from Committee that Mr Roy Wilkinson is elected as a trustee. This to be an agenda item for the next meeting.
- 35.2 Additional quote for cooker still awaited. No response from the gas company in respect of the gas pipes.
- 35.3 Informal talks with the scouts to commence. Representatives from the Committee to approach Mr Keeley and Mr Johnston.
- 35.4 Officers elected: Chairman – Dr Wright
- 35.5 Secretary – Mrs Hollis
- 35.6 Treasurer – Mr Mittell
- 35.7 Mr Michael Farthing and Mrs Hollis were co-opted onto the committee.
- 35.8 Roll of Honour to be erected when tapestry completed.

## 05/036 Examination in Public Report – Oxfordshire Structure Plan

Paper circulated by Dr Wright for consultation. Comments to be returned to Oxfordshire County Council by 5th April 2005.

**Dr Wright left the meeting at this point.**

## 05/037 Items raised by Members of the Public – Standing Orders were suspended at this point.

- 37.1 Mr Harry Brown voiced his disappointment that West Oxfordshire District Council was unwilling to support Community Safety Officers. However, this is something which could be investigated by the Parish Council. Mr Brown was thanked by the Chairman for his efforts.
- 37.2 The Football Managers' expressed a wish to see the plans for the toilet refurbishment and the Clerk confirmed that as soon as plans were presented, there would be consultation in respect of the changing facilities. The Echo to have an article inviting potential users of the sports field to contact the Playing Field Management Committee.
- 37.3 Mr Roles requested that the County Council be approached to put bollards along the parking area at the Spar shop as this was a potential accident spot.

**Standing Orders were resumed at this point.**

## 05/038 Finances

**Accounts** Proposed by Mr Rossiter and seconded by Mrs Gerrans that accounts in the sum of **£3,377.64**, as appended, be approved. Motion passed unanimously. The cheques were then passed to Mr Rossiter and Mrs Gerrans for signature.

**Mr Mittell left the meeting at this point.**

## 05/039 Planning

39.1 Noted that the following applications have received *conditional planning permission*:

W04/2299 24 Nov 04 – Remove existing single storey rear extension and replace with two storey rear extension – 10 Abbey Street

W04/2310 23 Nov 04 – Non-compliance with Condition No.8 of planning permission W2001/0132 – Scout HQ, Back Lane which states :

“The premises shall be used for scout hut and for no other purpose (including any other purpose in Class D1 of The Schedule to the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 or in any provision equivalent to that class in any statutory instrument revoking and re-enacting that Order with or without modification) - to allow the occasional use for meetings, presentations and fund raising events by Youth Clubs, Village Societies and Sports Clubs (e.g. judo etc.), children's parties, keep fit, table top sales, business presentations.”

W04/2341 1 Dec 04 – Erection of single storey extension to rear and side elevations – 66 Dovehouse Close

W04/2243 30 Nov 04 – Erection of two storey extension and single storey front and rear extensions – 77 Spareacre Lane

W04/2382 29 Nov 04 – Removal of existing conservatory. Erection of rear conservatory – 1 Evans Close

### 39.2 Applications

W05/0055 6 Jan 05 – Change of Use from food & drink to business use – Little Chef, Wasties, A40 Northern bypass

Proposed by Mr Hines and seconded by Mrs Hughes that there be **no objection** to the application. Motion passed by ten votes for with one abstention.

W05/0070 16 Dec 04 – Erection of rear conservatory and replacement front porch – 23 Queen Street  
Proposed by Mrs Gerrans and seconded by Mr Hines that there be **no objection** to the application. Motion passed by ten votes for with one abstention.

**Mr Hines declared an interest in the following application and withdrew from the meeting.**

W05/0123 12 Dec 04 – Erection of porch to front elevation – 5 Evans Road  
Proposed by Mrs Jones and seconded by Mrs Hughes that there be **no objection** to the application. Motion passed by nine votes for with one abstention.

**Mr Hines rejoined the meeting.**

W05/0137 19 Jan 05 – Erection of free-standing directional sign, illuminated fascia signs and 7.5m pylon with illuminated Iveco logo and chevron fret cut aluminium panel to front – Wasties Garage Old Witney Rd  
Proposed by Mr Green and seconded by Mr Hines that there be **no objection** to the application. Motion passed by eight votes for with three abstentions.

W05/0141 21 Jan 05 – Variation of conditions 2,7, & 9 of planning permission 03/2187/P/FP (for change of use of shop to 4 residential units) to allow revised car parking layout including spaces within the rear of the site – 11 Old Witney Rd  
Proposed by Mrs Seeney and seconded by Mr Hughes that there be **no objection** to the application. Motion passed by nine votes for; one against with one abstention.

#### **05/040 Correspondence**

- 040.1 OCC/Halcrow** – Oxfordshire Transport Networks review noted.
- 040.2 WODC** – Environmental Management Strategy 2004-2010 noted.
- 040.3 SE Regional Assembly** – Shape the Future leaflets distributed.
- 040.4 WODC** – Parish Link Magazine distributed.
- 040.5 WO Strategic Partnership** – Health is Happiness & Wellbeing details noted. Clerk to put on Notice Boards.
- 040.6 WODC** – Cabinet Decisions for 19th January 2005 taken by the Chairman
- 040.7 Morgan Cole** – Application for Transfer of Justices Licence by Mr & Mrs Watts of the Red Lion noted.
- 040.8 OCC** – South East Plan consultation arrangements 3rd February at Didcot Town Council at 7.30 pm noted.

#### **05/041 Village Policing**

It was agreed that, in view of the earlier police report, this matter should be deferred until Area Beat Officer Richardson comes back to the Council.

#### **05/042 Dates of Next Meetings**

The next meetings are 1st February 2005 at 7.30 pm and 15th February 2005 at 7.30 pm and **15th March 2005**.

**The meeting closed at 9.20pm**

Date of Signing: **15 February 2005**