



# EYNSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL was held in the Bartholomew Room on Tuesday 3 February 2009 at 7.30pm

## MINUTES

**Present: Councillors** – Mr G Beach (Chairman), Mrs A Beavis, Mr D Rossiter, Mrs. L Gerrans, Ms S Osborne, Mrs M Jones, Mr R Andrews, Mrs M Sheppard, Ms J Tinson Mrs L Pialek Dr F Wright and Mr P Staley and 3 members of the public – District Cllrs Mrs M Stevens, County Cllr C Mathew, Mr H Brown.

**In Attendance:** Mrs. S Lee – Clerk

**08/213 Apologies for Absence** were accepted from Mr J Miller and Mrs V Hughes.

**08/214 To receive declarations of interest from Councillors** –

Mrs Tinson – personal and prejudicial interest in item 08/229 Village Hall as a member of the VHMC.  
Mrs Gerrans and Mrs Beavis – personal and prejudicial interest in item 08/223 as members of the Garden Club.

Mrs Gerrans – personal interest in the Churchyard as a member of the PCC.

**08/215 Public Participation** – a resident expressed concern with regard to blocked drains due to fallen leaves.

**08/216 Minutes of the meetings of 6 January 2009** were proposed and unanimously **RESOLVED** to be accepted as a true record of the meeting and the minutes were signed by the Chair.

**08/217 Clerk's Report.**

An update on outstanding issues was circulated - there were no questions.

**08/218 Parish Councillor Vacancy**

There were 2 applications for co-option to the Parish Council and a secret ballot was held – it was **RESOLVED** that Mr Alan Collett be co-opted as a parish councillor. Clerk to arrange appropriate paperwork etc. **Action: Clerk**

**08/219 Finance**

- It was proposed and unanimously **RESOLVED** that accounts in the sum of £7411.09 to include the salary cheques be accepted - cheques signed by Mrs Gerrans and Dr Wright. Salary run cheques signed by Mr Beach and Mrs Gerrans on 23 January.
- To be advised of income to Parish Council - £1742.50

**08/220 Correspondence**

Mrs Butler Miles	Thank you for Mr Butler Miles Xmas voucher
Stagecoach	Alteration to S series – article placed in the Echo
TVP	Update for Jan – emailed to all - copy to Dr Wright

WODC	Shaping Futures - update
Ms Deguara	Request for litter bin on Witney Road - It was proposed and unanimously <b>RESOLVED</b> that a litter bin be placed on Witney Road to a cost of £250. <b>Action: Clerk</b> <b>Clerk</b> to also contact Bartholomew School re the litter in Back Lane and surround.

#### General

Clerks and Councils Direct	
OCC	Home 2 School newsletter

**08/221 Churchyard** – Mrs Gerrans advised of continuing concern re the ever decreasing space in the churchyard. It was proposed that the Clerk arrange a meeting between the Church and the Parish Council to discuss the best way forward. **Action: Clerk**

**08/222 Playing Fields Managers' Agreement** - after a couple of grammatical alterations it was proposed and unanimously **RESOLVED** to accept this agreement and to delegate authority to the Clerk to sign on the Council's behalf in liaison with the Playing Field Managers. **Action: Clerk**

**08/223 War Memorial** – the hard landscaping is complete and the memorial will be cleaned this month.

Mrs Beavis and Mrs Gerrans left the meeting.

Eynsham Garden Club has requested funding of £ 210 to purchase plants for the new garden area – they will maintain this area – it was proposed and unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council pay for the new planting at a cost of £210.

Mrs Beavis and Mrs Gerrans returned to the meeting.

**08/224 Transport representative** – the meeting was advised of Mr Hines' resignation as transport rep – all members were asked to talk to parishioners who use the bus service and see if they could find someone interested in taking on this role. For discussion at next meeting. **Action: All and Clerk**

#### 08/225 WODC

- a) Back Lane toilets – WODC have advised the plans are progressing and they hope to have a new toilet installed in May 2009.
- b) Sports Centre – Mr Rossiter met with WODC and it was agreed that all the 6-7pm slots should be offered to juniors in order to encourage priority groups to use the centre. Existing users of these times would be offered later times. This will be presented at the next sports management committee – the Clerk volunteered to minute this meeting if necessary
- c) East Eynsham proposals – the senior committee met with WODC on 30 Jan to discuss the issues further. The Environment Agency's response to the application is awaited – Siemens have objected. Mr Tucker had advised that he will look at the timetable for preparation of conservation area statements and advise when Eynsham is likely to be reviewed.

**08/226 WODC – Flood report** – the final WODC flood report had been received and circulated. Mr Rossiter has a flood meeting on 4 February with local residents and will report back to next meeting.

**08/227 Gravel application** – Dr Wright advised that the application would not be considered by OCC until at least May 2009.

**08/228 Scouts – Fence on PC land**

The Scouts have advised they wish to proceed with the drawing up of an agreement on the land in question with a cost of £300-350. The PC’s solicitors are preparing this but at present there is some confusion with regard to Land Registry entries for the land which need to be addressed.

**08/229 Scouts/Village Hall**

The Village Hall committee have advised that they require any meeting between themselves and the Scouts to be subject to both parties abiding to any decisions made and that Mr Beach should act as an arbitrator. The Scouts are not able to agree to a 3<sup>rd</sup> party making any decisions and feel that a meeting of the 2 parties should be able to reach a mutual agreement without this. After discussion the PC did not feel that they could act as an arbitrator in this dispute. Clerk to forward the latest correspondence to Pellmans – VHMC solicitors – for action. The next VHMC meeting will be on 31 March.

**08/230 Minutes of committee meetings –**

Planning – it was proposed and unanimously **RESOLVED** to receive the minutes of 2 February 2009  
Traffic Advisory – it was proposed and unanimously **RESOLVED** to receive the minutes of 13 January 2009

Communications – it was proposed and unanimously **RESOLVED** to adopt the minutes of the meetings of 13 January - the meeting of 3 February had been postponed due to the lack of a quorum.

Emergency Planning – the meeting of 27 January was postponed until 24 March 2009.

Dates of the next Eynsham Parish Council meetings:

- Fishponds – 5 February 10am – postponed
- Finance – 10 February 7.30pm
- Communications –new date to be arranged
- Play Area – 17 February 7.30pm
- Planning – Monday 2 March 5.30pm
- Main meeting - Tuesday 3 March 7.30pm
- Drop In – Saturday 7 Feb 10-11.30am

The meeting closed at 8.20pm

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