



EYNSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL was held in the
Bartholomew Room on Tuesday 7 July 2009 at 7.30pm

MINUTES

Present: Councillors - Mr D Rossiter (Chair), Mrs L Gerrans, Ms S Osborne, Mrs M Jones, Mr R Andrews, Mrs M Sheppard, Ms J Tinson, Mr A Collett, Mr P Staley, Dr F Wright, Mr J Miller, Mrs L Pialek and 4 members of the public – Mr J Cox, Ms J Stonham, Mr M Duffy and Mr S Hoesli.

In Attendance: Mrs. S Lee – Clerk

Apologies for Absence were accepted from Mr G Beach, Mrs V Hughes, Mrs A Beavis, County Cllr C Mathew & District Cllr M Stevens.

09/35 To receive declarations of interest from Councillors – none

09/36 To receive the minutes of 2 June 2009 – it was **RESOLVED** to accept these as a true record of the meeting.

09/37 Public Participation – Mr Cox advised that the Eynsham Society had received a letter regarding flooding on the Bitterell site from the Environment Agency and that this was not felt to reflect reality - the EA are not accepting that the area floods frequently which should preclude housing development on the site.

Mr Hoesli advised the council of the issues with the trees at Dovehouse Close over shadowing his garden and that the emergency services entrance is blocked.

09/38 Clerk's Report.

An update on outstanding issues was circulated.

Pavilion alarm – Mrs Sheppard & Mr Collett agreed to have their details on the call out list for the Pavilion alarm

The Clerk advised that the sewage pump at the Pavilion was no longer working and she was obtaining quotes for the work.

09/39 Finance

- It was proposed and unanimously **RESOLVED** that accounts in the sum of £11,962.26 to include the salary cheques be accepted - cheques signed by Mrs Gerrans & Dr Wright. Salary run cheques signed by Mr Rossiter & Mrs Gerrans on 29 June.
- To be advised of income to Parish Council - £942.13.
- The internal audit report was **RESOLVED** to be received by the council and there were no points of action.
- The Clerk had accepted a quote for £899 to carry out essential electrical works at the Bartholomew Room following the annual inspection under her delegated powers.

09/40 Correspondence

Oxon Family History Soc	A copy of the Oxon Family History Society report on Eynsham War Memorial has been received.
New bus stop/parking Queen Street corner	A resident has thanked the PC for arranging the new bus stop – she has advised of issues with parking at corner of Queen Street – passed on to

	traffic advisory committee.
Partial Review Regional Strategy for SE	Specialist for Gypsies, Travellers & Travelling Show People – recommendations for new policy H7
NHS Oxon	Health News
Oasis	Invitation to all councillors to drop in to OASIS – 11-13 August 10.30-3.30 pm in the village hall
CAB	Thank you for grant
Brize Norton	To advise of essential night training 12 &/or 13 August
Safer Communities Partnership	Looking Out Newsletter
OCC	Confirmation of Order to change footpath no 5 as previously discussed.
Residents Dovehouse Close re trees to rear	On agenda
Cllr Mathew	Offers his thanks to all for continued support and shares his wish to live up to expectations.
ORCC	Review & Flu Pandemic invitation – no takers to training session.

Correspondence for discussion –

Dovehouse Trees – it was **RESOLVED** that a management plan be put into place by a contractor for the area of land with ongoing maintenance. **Clerk** to arrange for quotes and to ask for advice on

- the width of land needed to create a sound barrier
- the possibility of selling/leasing some of the land to adjoining householders
- upkeep arrangements.

Action: Clerk

Maps – It has been pointed out to the PC that the maps they use were redrawn from OS maps and need copyright permission. It was **RESOLVED** to accept the costs of £47.50 plus VAT for a licence for the map on the Eynsham Directory. The Clerk to advise OS of acceptance and to make applications for licenses for Eynsham Unlocked and the website.

Action: Clerk

09/41 Probation - Clerk has met with Probation services and they are keen to work in the village however the contract for work has not yet been received. It was **RESOLVED** to delegate authority to sign this to the Clerk.

09/42 Street Furniture -

Review of street furniture – It was **RESOLVED** that Dr Wright, Mr Andrews, Mr Rossiter & Mr Beach would form a working group to carry out a review of dog bins, litter bins, benches & planters in the parish. The Clerk would supply a map showing location of bins and the group would review to check they are in place and to see if this is the best position. The Clerk will put an article in the Echo asking parishioners for comments re locations of bins in the parish. The working group would meet in August/September.

Action: Clerk

Dog Bin on Chilbridge Road – it was appreciated that a bin was required on Chilbridge and following the above review a bin could be moved from a less suitable location.

09/43 Reports from Meetings

Mr Beach had forwarded a report on the OALC AGM.

09/44 Playbuilder – it was **RESOLVED** to sign the contract for the playbuilder grant with OCC.

Action: Clerk

09/45 Sports Centre – The Chair reported back on a recent meeting of the Sports Centre Management Group where he was assured that there was a system in place for offering any 6-7pm sessions that became vacant to youth groups.

Residents of Clover Place have complained about excess noise from the car park at the Sports Centre – Mr Collett to suggest that they contact Bartholomew School – site manager Mark Harrison, WODC Environmental Health and the Police to discuss. **Action: Mr Collett**

09/46 Village Hall – it was **RESOLVED** that the 3 wooden bollards in the car park be removed. The Village Hall Management committee have asked the PC to indemnify them against the loss of rights over the blue land - once this indemnity is received they will drop all their issues against the Scouts erection of the fence. This indemnity will ensure that when the land is handed back to the Parish Council at the end of the lease there will be no penalty to the VHMC or Trustees for returning less than they originally received. It was **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council would write a letter advising that the PC do not hold the VHMC/Trustees responsible for the loss of this amenity.

09/47 Church – the Chair did not wish to exclude the public from the discussions but pointed out that the papers were all marked confidential. It was **RESOLVED** that the parish council would take further advice from NALC & SLCC using Dr Wright’s further questions. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk should invite the vicar and the churchwardens to a meeting with the senior committee to update them on the issues and that the Clerk would discuss the issue with the grass contractors.

Action: Clerk

09/48 Minutes of committee meetings –

Planning – it was **RESOLVED** to receive the minutes of the meeting of 6 July.

East Eynsham – Dr Wright advised that a letter has been received by the Eynsham Society from the EA advising that they do not have any objections to the planning application at the Bitterell as they do not feel that there are concerns regarding flooding on the site. Dr Wright advised that the Eynsham Society is complaining to the EA with regard to this letter asking them to take local knowledge into account.

Communications – it was **RESOLVED** to receive the minutes of the meeting of 16 June with the amendment at website modifications that the *web designer* has submitted an invoice.

Play Area – it was **RESOLVED** to adopt the minutes of the meeting of 16 June

Extra help was requested for this committee – it was suggested that more parishioners be attracted by an article in The Echo.

The Clerk advised that the contract for £500 for play day funds had been received and it was **RESOLVED** that this is signed and returned - offers of help were needed for the morning of 5 August.

Footpaths – it was **RESOLVED** to adopt the minutes of the meeting on 9 June

Dates of the next Eynsham Parish Council meetings:

- Communications committee –13 July 6.30pm
- Traffic Advisory – 14 July 7.30pm
- Play Area committee – 21 July 6.30pm & 28 July 7pm
- Finance – 21 July 7.30pm
- Planning committee – 27 July 5.30pm
- Senior Committee 27 July 6.30pm
- Full Council meeting – 4 August 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 9.41pm

Signed..... Date.....