



# EYNSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL was held in the  
Bartholomew Room on Tuesday 1 March 2011 at 7.30 pm

## MINUTES

**Present: Councillors** – Mr G Beach (Chairman), Mrs V Hughes, Mrs M Jones, Ms S Osborne, Mr D Rossiter, Mr P Staley, Mr D Stukenbroeker, Ms J Tinson & Dr F Wright.

**In Attendance:** County Councillor Charles Mathew, District Cllr Mrs Margaret Stevens, 1 member of the public & Malcolm Anderson, Clerk to the Council.

**10/158 Apologies** – Mr R Andrews, Mrs A Beavis, Mr A Collett and Mr P Emery.

**10/159 Declarations of interest from Councillors** – Cllr Mrs Hughes declared a Personal Interest in Item 10/164 as her husband was seeking permission on behalf of St Peter's Church to use an image belonging to the Parish Council and a Personal and Prejudicial interest in Item 10/170 as her husband was being paid for work already undertaken for the Council.

**10/160 The minutes of the meetings of 1 February 2011**–It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes be signed as a true record.

### **10/161 Public Participation** –

- County Cllr Mathew advised that the Cassington Quarry Meeting will take place on 8 March 2011, it will be attended by Cllr Wright. The Parish Council have not been consulted concerning this meeting and will ask for any decisions to be postponed. There had been a similar lack of consultation concerning the McKenna application.
- Oxfordshire County Council's Big Society Fund is now available for applications. Oxfordshire County Council is still to report to Bartholomew School on funding for a youth club. Cllr Mathew remains very optimistic about a youth club continuing.

### **10/162 Clerk's Report** – The report was received and noted.

- It was **RESOLVED** that the Council purchase decorating materials to allow the Probation Service to decorate the Pavilion's outside cladding and the changing rooms. It was further agreed to send the Probation Service details of further work that could be carried out when their cutting back of the Oxford Road hedging ceases during the bird nesting period.
- It was agreed to ask the Finance and General Purposes Committee to consider whether or not to subscribe to Oxford Greenbelt Network.
- It was agreed to look at the condition of the footpath alongside the Pavilion and report back to the next Council Meeting.
- Acre End Pre-School – an acceptable clarification was brought to the meeting concerning the canopy that would be installed at the Village Hall. It was agreed that the grant previously awarded was appropriate for the scheme presented and it was also agreed to allow the necessary fittings to be installed to the outer wall of the Village Hall and adjacent store.

**10/163 West Oxfordshire District Council's Core Strategy** – Cllr Stukenbroeker presented a draft response to the Core Strategy. Cllr Wright was concerned over the clause that would allow development on land adjoining a town or village that would meet specific local needs that are not otherwise met. It was **RESOLVED** that the Council adopt the response as presented as its planning policy and send a copy to the West Oxfordshire District Council. Cllr Stukenbroeker was thanked for all his efforts.

Cllr Mrs Hughes declared a Personal Interest in Item 10/164 as her husband was seeking permission to use the image on behalf of St Peter's Church.

**10/164 Eynsham Abbey Leaflet** – It was **RESOLVED** that the image could be used.

**10/165 Wytham View Play Area Trustee** – It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk be appointed as the Trustee to the Play Area and that he look into any benefits that the Trust brings.

**10/166 Eynsham Runners' Notice Board** – It was **RESOLVED** that Eynsham Runners could place a new notice board in the Pavilion.

**10/167 The Bitterell** – Cllr Staley reported on his discussions with Oxfordshire County Council on the proposed bollard and lighting installations at the Bitterell. Oxfordshire County Council had said that the bollards would be needed because the level of the land was different. This was disputed. It was also agreed that a lighting plan was needed. Cllr Staley agreed to continue his discussions with Oxfordshire County Council. He will also attend a meeting with County Councillor Mathew on the matter 8 March 2011 to discuss the Bitterell.

**10/168 Planning Enforcement** – Cllr Rossiter had not received a reply to his concern over the properties on Old Witney Road and whether the development complied with planning permission and if not what enforcement is being taken. When a reply is received from the Planning Authority it will be brought to a future meeting.

**10/169 Cycle Parking in Eynsham** – It was agreed that the Parish Council support cycle parking at the Library, though this is County Council owned land, which would also serve the shops at Mill Street. The Back Lane Car Park proposal and outside the shops on Mill Street were also supported. The renovation outside the Co-op was also supported as long as no more space was taken as this may cause an obstruction and leave the pavement too narrow for wheelchair access. It had previously been considered to allow cycle parking at Spareacre Lane, but there had been a problem identifying the land owners. There was not seen to be a demand for cycle parking at the bus stops on Witney Road.

Cllr Mrs Hughes declared a Personal and Prejudicial interest in Item 10/170 as her husband was being paid for work already undertaken.

**10/170 Finance** – It was **RESOLVED** to pay the accounts as presented. The expenditure coding be amended as follows:- 4037/30 should be £134 brush cutting and 4037/107 £13 signs The income & expenditure for the year to 28 February 2011 was noted.

**10/171 Correspondence** –

- West Oxfordshire District Council re a Community Governance Review – Noted.

### **10/172 Committee Meetings –**

The following Minutes were adopted and the recommendations approved:

- Footpaths – 15 February 2011
- Finance & General Purposes - 15 February 2011 it was agreed to amend the recommendation to say “One-off *Pavilion* hirings require a deposit....”
- Fishponds – 18 February 2011.

### **10/173 The dates of the next Eynsham Parish Council meetings:**

- Gravel and Minerals 7 March 2011 7.00 pm
- Communications 8 March 2011 7.30 pm
- Planning – 28 March 2011 (if required)
- Council – 5 April 2011 7.30 pm.

### **Private Session**

**10/174 An update on land matters** – This was discussed.

**The Meeting closed at 8.58 pm.**