



EYNSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL was held in the
Bartholomew Room on Tuesday 5 July 2011 at 7.30 pm

MINUTES

Present: Councillors - Mr G Beach (Chair), Mr R Andrews, Mr A Mosson, Ms S Osborne, Mr D Rossiter, Mr P Staley, Mr D Stukenbroeker, Ms J Tinson & Dr F Wright.

In Attendance: Mr M Anderson – Clerk.

Also In Attendance: County Cllr C Mathew, County Cllr Judith Heathcoat and 5 Members of the Public.

11/23 Apologies for absence – Cllr Collett, Cllr Emery, Cllr Mrs Hughes, District Councillor Mrs M Stevens and District Councillor L Poole.

11/24 Declarations of Interest – None.

11/25 The minutes of the meetings held on 7 June 2011 - It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes be signed as a true record.

11/26 A Presentation by Oxfordshire County Councillor Judith Heathcoat – Oxfordshire County Council had been expected to have to make £119m of savings. Since that date additional grants had been received from Central Government. With this additional funding it has now been agreed, following consultation, that all libraries will stay open. Eynsham will be a core library, funded and operating exactly as it always has. Some other libraries will be part funded by Oxfordshire County Council and part funded by volunteers. The County Council are asking that “Friends of the Library” are formed by every library.

Cllr Wright advised that Eynsham Friends of the Library have £13,000 of funds in trust with the County Council holding approximately £21,000 of S106 funds for the Library. Cllr Heathcoat suggested that the Library consultation be completed by the Friends of the Library.

Cllr Heathcoat said that because of the static nature of the Eynsham population its status as a fully funded library was unlikely to change, but it may in some other towns and villages. The role of the Friends of the Library may change from the traditional one with more involvement in providing, for example, refreshments, hobby classes and any other innovative ideas to make the Library become more of a hub in the community.

11/27 Public Participation –

There will be a consultation over the Oxford Road Play Area refurbishment.

The Youth Centre is likely to be operated by the school starting during the summer. There are still some funding questions that need resolving by the County Council, but it is thought that these can be worked around to allow the necessary building work to take place without delay. The Youth Centre will offer largely the same events as they do now.

11/28 Clerk's Report – The Report was received and noted and the recommendations were agreed.

11/29 Finance – It was **RESOLVED** to pay the accounts as presented. The Income & Expenditure reports were noted.

11/30 Pavilion Sewage Pump – It was agreed not to enter into a service agreement.

11/31 Correspondence – The following were received and noted:

- Eynsham Charities re the resignation of Steve Burke as a trustee.

11/32 Committee Meetings – the following Minutes were adopted and the recommendations approved:

- Play Area Committee – 14 June 2011.

11/33 The dates of the next Eynsham Parish Council meetings:

- Communications – 12 July 2011 6.30 pm
- Emergency Planning – 19 July 2011 6.30 pm
- Finance & General Purposes – 19 July 2011 7.30 pm
- Planning – 25 July 2011 6.00 pm (if required)
- Fishponds – 30 July 2011 10.00 am
- Council – 2 August 2011 7.30 pm.

The Meeting closed at 8.15 pm.