



EYNSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL was held in the
Bartholomew Room on Tuesday 2 August 2011 at 7.30 pm

MINUTES

Present: Councillors - Mr G Beach (Chair), Mr R Andrews, Mr P Emery, Mrs V Hughes, Mr A Mosson, Mr D Rossiter, Mr D Stukenbroeker, Ms J Tinson.

In Attendance: Mr M Anderson – Clerk.

Also In Attendance: Oxfordshire County Councillor C Mathew, West Oxfordshire District Councillors P Kelland, Mrs M Stevens & L Poole and 2 Members of the Public.

11/34 Apologies for absence – Mr A Collett, Ms S Osborne, Mr P Staley & Dr F Wright.

11/35 Declarations of Interest – Cllr Mrs Hughes declared an interest in item 11/44 as her husband had submitted an invoice for work undertaken for the Council.

11/36 The minutes of the meetings held on 5 July 2011 - It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes be signed as a true record.

11/37 Public Participation –

- Oxfordshire County Councillor Mathew raised the matter of grass cutting carried out by the Parish Council on behalf of Oxfordshire County Council. He requested a copy of the Parish Council's cutting map. The Clerk advised that he had requested a map from Oxfordshire County Council and would be arranging a meeting to discuss the grass cutting.
- West Oxfordshire District Councillor Mrs Stevens said that all soft plastic items will now be collected by the Refuse Collector.
- West Oxfordshire District Cllr Kelland had been advised that the red light on the cycle of traffic lights at Witney Road has been extended. This had been done during the game fair. The lights were controlled to reflect the traffic flow.
- West Oxfordshire District Cllr Poole said that the travellers had been issued with an eviction order.
- Cllr Andrews reported that residents at Dovehouse Close had complained at dog fouling on the open space near the play area.

11/38 Fishponds Update – Cllr Mrs Hughes advised that the Eynsham Running Club have done a good job moving the North footpath to reduce the risk of a wet footpath. It was agreed to write a letter of thanks to Ian Keeley, Chairman of Eynsham Runners.

11/39 Allotments Update – Cllr Mrs Hughes advised that seventeen Eynsham people were on the waiting list and that there was approximately £1500 in the bank account. The water usage is being monitored.

11/40 Youth Art Day – Following discussion, it was agreed not to award a grant for this event. If a future event was to take place, and the Council were informed by November, it would be considered for the following financial year. It was agreed that the high level of costs should be looked at and the number of Eynsham people attending be reported.

11/41 The Library Consultation – It was agreed that all people that use the library and work at the library be included in the thoughts and plans of “the Friends”. It was agreed that the Parish Council inform the County Council that at a date in three to six months they would like a review meeting to discuss the future of Eynsham Library and all its users. The Parish Council will consider this again in November.

11/42 Fields in Trust (Queen Elizabeth II Field Status) – It was **RESOLVED** to sign the forms agreeing to the Oxford Road South Field being submitted for consideration to become a Queen Elizabeth II Field.

11/43 Clerk’s Report – The Report was received and noted and the recommendations were agreed.

- Cllr Stukenbroeker agreed to attend the West Oxfordshire District Council Core Strategy Meeting and also to attend the West Oxon Sustainable Transport Forum.
- Following a meeting with the Fire Officer, it was agreed that it was not necessary to install a fire door at the Bartholomew Rooms.
- It was **RESOLVED** to purchase “Dogs on Lead” signs for Oxford Road South Field and a sign for clearing up after dogs for Dovehouse Close.
- It was **RESOLVED** to request be made to Cottsway Housing for a dog waste bin to be placed on Merton Close.
- It was agreed that the Carnival Committee could install a water supply outside of the Pavilion with a stopcock inside the building.
- The need for Retained Fire Fighters was highlighted.
- Newlands Street – The missing inspection cover belongs to Thames Water. The Clerk will contact them for a replacement.
- The cycle parking priorities, as circulated, were agreed.

11/44 Finance – It was **RESOLVED** to pay the accounts as presented. The Income & Expenditure reports were noted.

11/45 Correspondence – The following were received and noted:

- Oxfordshire County Council re Winter Resilience – Provision of local salt and grit. It was agreed that the storing of salt would be very difficult and that it would be discussed in future by the Emergency Planning Committee
- The Local Government Boundary Commission – Electoral Review of Oxfordshire: Draft Recommendations
- Oxfordshire County Council re the Armed Forces Community Covenant
- Oxfordshire County Council re the Eynsham Youth Centre.

11/46 Committee Meetings – the following Minutes were adopted and the recommendations approved

- Communications Committee – 12 July 2011
- Emergency Planning Committee – 19 July 2011 It was agreed to remove the requirement for the Emergency Directory to be issued via the Eynsham Echo.
- Finance & General Purposes Committee – 19 July 2011
- Fishponds Committee – 30 July 2011. It was agreed that the work could be carried out from Fishponds Reserve with funds replaced. Community Pay-Back have agreed to strim the footpaths again in September.

11/47 The dates of the next Eynsham Parish Council meetings:

- Planning – 2 August 2011 6.30 pm
- Footpaths – 16 August 2011 6.30 pm
- Play Area Committee – 16 August 2011 7.30 pm
- Planning – 22 August 2011 6.30 pm (if required)
- Council – 6 September 2011 7.30 pm.

The Chairman moved and it was **RESOLVED** that, considering the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public, including the press, be excluded from the remainder of the meeting.

11/48 Council Vacancies – It was **RESOLVED** to co-opt Andrew Bickley, Sue Brown and Nick Relph onto the Council.

The Meeting closed at 8.44 pm