



# EYNSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council Meeting  
in the Bartholomew Room at 7.30pm  
on Tuesday 6 June 2017

## MINUTES

**Present: Councillors** - Mr G Beach (Chair), Mr R Andrews, Ms J Baldwin, Mr A Bickley, Ms S Brown, Ms T Crowley, Ms K Crowe, Mr P Emery, Ms S Osborne, Mr N Relph, Mr D Stukenbroeker and Mr M Zumbuhl.

**Also in Attendance:** Clerk to the Council, County Cllr Mathew and 4 members of the public.

**16/569 Apologies for absence** – Mr R Macken and Mr A Mosson.

**16/570 Declarations of Interest** – None.

**16/571 Minutes of the meeting held on 2 May 2017** – It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes are signed as a true record.

**16/572 Public Participation** – None.

**16/573 Correspondence** –

- (a) NHS Oxfordshire Clinical Commission Group – Councils to consider and seek contributions from developers for future healthcare provision. Noted.
- (b) West Oxfordshire District Council – Road Closure Notice for the Eynsham Annual Carnival Procession 11.00-1400, 1 July 2017. Noted.

**16/574 The Clerk's Report** was received and discussed. Clerk is to contact Bidwells to discuss the need for additional changing facilities to support the Council's request for alterations to the Public Toilets building. County Councillor Mathew emphasised the need for residents to make their concerns known to Oxfordshire County Council regarding proposed controversial improvements to the A40.

**16/575 The Parish Council (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012** - The Council **RESOLVED** that it is an eligible Parish Council as two-thirds of members were declared elected at the last election and the Clerk is Qualified. The Council is to review its eligibility at future Annual Parish Council Meetings.

**16/576 Finance** – It was **RESOLVED** to pay the accounts as presented. The income and expenditure reports were reviewed.

**16/577 The Council considered planning applications:-**

- (a) Land on Stanton Harcourt Road Old Station Way - Construction of new two storey research and development building, in connection with previously approved manufacturing campus (16/02369/FUL) creation of wild flower meadow and diversion of public footpath. Objection regarding a proposed A40/B4449 western link road; urbanized expansion of the southern edge of the village and flood plain; traffic/transport and flooding concerns.
- (b) 17/01298/HHD Old Level Crossing, Pink Hill - Single Storey Extension. No objection. The Chairman is to make representation at the forthcoming Lowlands Area Planning Sub-Committee on the 3 Eynsham planning applications.

**16/578 To hear reports from Councillors representing the Council on outside bodies:**

- (a) Meeting with Robert Courts – Disappointing meeting and questions were unanswered.
- (b) Brize Norton Local Working Group – Noted that Hercules aircraft will be in use until 2035.
- (c) Meeting with developers re Derrymerrye Farm – Positive vision and strategy for western side of Village being drafted and discussed.
- (d) Meeting with Church re Cemetery – Re-use of cemetery is still under consideration. Cllr Beach advised timescales for claiming funds from the District Council.

- (e) Local Plan Enquiry – Examination of the District Council’s Local Plan continues with representatives raising concerns at the proposed policies. It was noted that the Garden Village will not be separate from Eynsham, but it will be distinct and that many policies will require re-writing followed by public consultation. Cllr Beach and Cllr Andrews will attend the next examination stage scheduled for July and make representation on all policies (as far as practicable).

**16/579 Eynsham Village Hall Condition Survey and Fee** – The survey report was accepted. It was **RESOLVED** that the Council will pay the survey fee and recommend that remedial work and further surveys are undertaken (as identified).

**16/580 Provision of Wifi in the Bartholomew Room** – Cllr Relph advised BT installation cost of £120, £30pm line rental/usage and £5 for modem. The Clerk is to register the Bartholomew Rooms address with Royal Mail for an order to be progressed.

**16/581 To note activities at the Fishponds and agree actions** – Unauthorised and unusual activities discussed. Councillors are to monitor activities and report as necessary.

**16/582 To note recent anti-social behaviour at the Pavilion and consider refurbishment of rooflights** – Offenders are being dealt with by the Police. It was noted that the rooflights are not to current building standards. Clerk is to obtain quotes for replacement rooflights and application of anti-climbing paint for consideration by the Council.

**16/583 To consider the Position Paper prepared by Cllr Andrews in relation to the submission to West Oxfordshire Local Plan Hearing and agree actions** – It was felt that there has been a lack of constructive engagement (regarding the Neighbourhood Plan) on the District Council’s part and this needs to be improved. Whilst it was noted that the Plan needs to reflect Eynsham’s requirements, it also must reflect the District Council’s Local Plan in order to comply with regulations. The Position Paper was considered and it was **RESOLVED** that it is broadly acceptable with minor amendments. A final version will be circulated to Councillors before submission to the District Council.

**16/584 To receive an update on the introduction of a 20mph zone** – Clerk is to request The Urbanist’s report is received by 1 July.

**16/585 Minutes of the Communications Committee meeting held on 23 May 2017** – It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes are signed as a true record.

**16/586 To note dates of the next Eynsham Parish Council meetings:**

- Play Areas Committee – 13 June at 6.30pm
- Fishponds Committee– 13 June at 7.30pm
- Extra Parish Council Meeting – 20 June 2017 at 7.30pm (for audit purposes only)
- Full Council Meeting – 11 July 2017 at 7.30pm

**The meeting closed at 10.00pm**