

GREAT OXENDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 9 January 2017

Present: Councillors Steedman (Chair), Barker, Jones, and Hogarth.

3 members of the public

Other Visitors:

1455	<p>Apologies</p> <p>Apologies had been submitted by Councillor Rumsey. The apologies were accepted by the meeting.</p>
1456	<p>Declaration of Personal & Prejudicial Interests</p> <p>None declared.</p>
1457	<p>Minutes of the Meeting held on 5 December 2016</p> <p>Subject to one change, the minutes of the meeting of 6 December 2016 were accepted as a true and accurate record and were signed by the Chair of the meeting.</p> <p>Minute 1448 Highways – last paragraph – should refer of an ‘an intention to divert the footpath’.</p> <p>The minutes were proposed by Councillor Barker and seconded by Councillor Hogarth. Unanimous.</p>
1458	<p>Matters arising from the Minutes of the Meeting – 5 December 2016</p> <p>Minute 1448 Highways - Any footpath diversion would only be carried out after a consultation exercise. The Parish Clerk would contact NCC regarding the current status of any diversion and any timescales.</p> <p>Minute 1442 There was still no update on the revised date for the Greenfields planning appeal.</p> <p>Minute 1442 The work to tidy around the bus shelters had been completed.</p> <p>Minute 1443 A Freedom of Information request had been submitted regarding the Police Speed Enforcement van. The information provided revealed that Great Oxendon did not meet the criteria for the Speed Van and therefore had no visits. Nearby Maidwell did meet the criteria, and had 45 visits with 704 offences detected during 2016.</p> <p>Minute 1433 An email had been sent to the Community Speed watch Team stating that the Council would not be participating as the Council did not believe that it would be effective.</p>
1459	<p>Open Forum</p> <p>No items were raised by the members of the public.</p>
1460	<p>Update from the local Councillor</p> <p>Councillor Irvine Swift was not in attendance as she was attending another meeting. A written report had been received. The Councillor had reported that the County Council was in the midst of the budget</p>

	<p>process with major pressures on adult social care and looked after children. To address those pressures, the new generation model is going ahead and this will be fully implemented next year. The District Council had also set its new precept.</p> <p>The Parish Council noted this report.</p>
1461	<p>Co-option of Parish Councillor</p> <p>It was agreed to co-opt Meyrick Evans as a Councillor to the Great Oxendon Parish Council. The Parish Clerk had provided the necessary paperwork which required completing prior to him taking up the position.</p> <p>This was proposed by Councillor Barker and seconded by Councillor Hogarth. Unanimous.</p>
1462	<p>Planning</p> <p>Planning Consultation DA/2016/1118 – Old Orchard House, 27 Main Street.</p> <p>The Parish Council confirmed the comments made in December 2015 – ‘no objection but comments made re the east facing windows which are on the side elevation. These could be intrusive to neighbouring property’. The Planning Officer was investigating the impact on the neighbouring property.</p> <p>The residents would notify the Daventry District Council of their own views on the development. The Parish Clerk would ask about the neighbour consultation procedures for planning applications. On this occasion there appeared to be no formal consultation.</p>
1463	<p>Police and Community Safety</p> <p>Councillor Barker reported on the letter he had received from the Police regarding the increase in rural vehicle crime and the possible methods for crime reduction. A Community Police message had also been received prior to Christmas with a focus on rural crime.</p> <p>There was a lot of information on crime, some duplicated, from a variety of sources. It was important that the number of messages did not exaggerate the actual level of crime. Generally, messages would be sent out only once via the Neighbourhood Watch email list.</p> <p>Councillor Barker would look at networking the NW information aimed at the more vulnerable and those without email.</p>
1464	<p>Environment</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>
1465	<p>Highways</p> <p>Councillor Jones had emailed Ian Smith at Kier/NCC regarding the water on Main Street. The water is on the carriage way and does not run along the gutter. The response to this Street Doctor job had been very slow. The job was still on the to do list with Ian Smith.</p> <p>The village has had the trees on the highway cut back. The road signs had also been cleaned. However, litter remains a problem.</p> <p>The request for an additional dog bin was still awaiting a response from Daventry District Council.</p> <p>There was no update on the A508 traffic calming scheme.</p>

	<p>One street light (11) was still out on the A508 which had been directly reported to EON. Some of the street lights need upgrading to modern standards and a financial provision had been suggested for consideration in the budget for 17/18.</p> <p>The Chair read out a letter from NCC regarding a potential footpath diversion. The Parish Clerk would ascertain the latest position on any consultation process to divert.</p> <p>The Parish Council would like a resident(s) to take responsibility for putting out grit on icy roads in Main Street. Councillors were reminded that there were also bags of salt kept at the Village Hall for use around the village. Parish Councillors would ask around the village for a volunteer. The Parish Clerk would also mention in any future newsletters.</p>
1466	<p>Community</p> <p>The new residents leaflet was with Michael Bairstow to progress. A copy of this could be put on line.</p>
1467	<p>Training</p> <p>The Chair and the Clerk had identified their training needs and there was sufficient funding within the budget to cover the necessary costs.</p> <p>The Clerk required CILCA training as detailed in the original job specification. Training was planned though NCALC to commence in March. The Chair had indicated interest in the training sessions for Parish Council chairs. The date for this course was to be confirmed. It was agreed that this training be provided.</p> <p>This was proposed by Councillor Jones and seconded by Councillor Barker</p>
1468	<p>Finance</p> <p>The Councils Budget for 17/18 The Council considered a draft budget which reflected its priorities for 2017/2018. The Parish Council considered the draft Budget and increased the budget for traffic calming from £3000 to £5000.</p> <p>The budget was proposed by Councillor Jones and seconded by Councillor Hogarth. Unanimous.</p> <p>The Councils Precept for 17/18 The Parish Council approved the required precept to deliver its services during 2017/2018. This was set as £14,576. (This compares with £12551 in the previous year)</p> <p>This was proposed by Councillor Jones and seconded by Councillor Hogarth. Unanimous</p> <p>Payments</p> <p>The following payments were agreed by the Parish Council:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Cheque 100756 – Millennium Bench – Factory Furniture - £2010 (Retrospective) Cheque 100757 – Street Lighting Maintenance – EON - £44.84 Cheque 100758 – Clear vegetation – 4 Counties - £60 Cheque 100759 – Street Lights Electricity - £184.70 Cheque 100760 – October Grass Cutting/ Strimming – 4 Counties - £240</p> <p>The payments were proposed by Councillor Barker and seconded by Councillor Jones. Unanimous</p>

1469	<p>Chairs Report</p> <p>The Chair reported that a Borders Liaison meeting was due in January and email correspondence was awaited.</p> <p>There is to be a meeting to discuss the Wormslade Farm Digester on 18th January. Councillor Hogarth would be attending. There are some concerns regarding the Farm processing more food waste than originally forecast.</p>
1470	<p>Parish Clerks Business</p> <p>The Council noted the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A letter from Stowe IX Churches Parish Council – asking for cooperation sharing planning information • The Clerk notified the meeting that he also taken on the role of Parish Clerk at Brixworth to complement his role at Great Oxendon.
1471	<p>Question Time</p> <p>There were no questions from the floor.</p>
1472	<p>Date and Time of the next Parish Council Meeting</p> <p>Monday 6th February 2017 at 730pm</p> <p>A representative from Daventry DC will come along to this meeting and discuss a Housing Needs Survey for the village.</p>
<p><i>The meeting finished at 21.00</i></p>	

<p><i>Signed as a true and accurate record</i></p>	<p>Councillor Roseanne Steedman</p> <p>Chair Great Oxendon Parish Council 6th February 2017</p>
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