

## GREAT OXENDON PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2017

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

**Parish Clerk** – Peter Rowbotham

**Members of the Public:** 0

**Other Visitors:** 0

1509	<p><b><u>Apologies</u></b> Apologies had been received from Councillor Evans. (family commitments) The apologies were accepted by the meeting.</p>
1510	<p><b><u>Declaration of Personal &amp; Prejudicial Interests</u></b> Councillors Barker, Councillor Rumsey and Councillor Jones declared that they were members of the Village Hall Committee.</p>
1511	<p><b><u>Minutes of the Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2017</u></b>   <b>Minute 1501. Footpath Diversion.</b> This had not been unanimous. Councillor Jones had abstained.             Subject to this change the minutes of the meeting were accepted as a true and accurate record. The minutes were proposed by Councillor Jones and seconded by Councillor Rumsey. Unanimous.</p>
1512	<p><b><u>Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Meeting</u></b>   <b>Minute Number 1497/1 Planning application DA/2017/0086 Demolition of rear lobby, wc and utility plus conservatory and porch. Construction of a single storey rear/side extension. Waterloo House, Harborough Road.</b> This application had been approved by Daventry District Council.   <b>Minute 1497/4 Kelmarsh Wind Farm Fund.</b> County Councillor Irvine Swift was looking at the villages of Arthingworth, Maidwell and Great Oxendon to work in partnership for funding perhaps leading to the creation of the 'Brampton Valley Way Friends Association'.   <b>Minute 1499 Millennium Monument.</b> Concern was expressed regarding the matching and levels of the slabbing. Any additional thoughts and comments should be fed back to the Parish Clerk.   <b>Minute 1503/1 Youth Club Grant Application</b> – The Youth Club had withdrawn the grant application for the Pool table.</p>
1513	<p><b><u>Open Forum</u></b>  No items were raised by the public.</p>
1514	<p><b><u>Update from the local Councillor(s)</u></b>  No report had been received.</p>

<p>1515</p> <p>1515/1</p> <p>1515/2</p> <p>1515/3</p> <p>1515/4</p>	<p><b><u>Planning &amp; Housing</u></b></p> <p><b>DA/2017/0270</b>  <b>Single storey rear extension at 54, Main Street, Great Oxendon.</b>  The Parish Council had no objections. This was proposed by Councillor Jones and seconded by Councillor Rumsey</p> <p><b>DA/2017/0266</b>  <b>Construction of agricultural building</b>  <b>Little Oxendon Farm, Little Oxendon, Great Oxendon</b>  The Parish Council had no objections. This was proposed by Councillor Hogarth and seconded by Councillor Jones</p> <p><b>DA/2017/0236</b>  <b>Two storey rear and first storey side extension</b>  <b>9, Braybrooke Road, Great Oxendon</b>  The Parish Council had no objections. This was proposed by Councillor Jones and seconded by Councillor Rumsey.</p> <p><b>Housing Needs Survey</b>  Information had been circulated to residents. The web site had been updated. A message had been sent out via Twitter and the Parish Council's email group.</p>
<p>1516</p>	<p><b><u>Police and Community Safety</u></b></p> <p>There was little to report. The 101 poster was now in the noticeboard.</p> <p>There had been recent break ins which had been worrying. There had been suspicious door to door visitors selling services relating to 'drives and patios'.</p> <p>The Council noted the report.</p>
<p>1517</p> <p>1517/1</p> <p>1517/2</p> <p>1717/3</p> <p>1717/4</p>	<p><b><u>Environment</u></b></p> <p><b>Dog Fouling.</b> The Parish would like to address the reports of dog fouling and littering of the used bags. Daventry District Council would be contacted by the Clerk for advice on signs that could be used.</p> <p><b>Urban Grass Cutting Contract 2017.</b> Emails had been sent out to five contractors asking for quotations to meet the Highway requirements for grass cutting within the Parish. The requirements requested exceeded these standards. Only one quote had been received.</p> <p>The Parish Council <b>resolved</b> that the quote submitted by Four Counties Grounds Maintenance be accepted at a cost of £80 per cut plus £30 per Strim. The contract would run from April to October on an approximate three-week cycle. There was adequate budget provision. This was proposed by Carolyn Jones and seconded by Councillor Hogarth.</p> <p>It was thought that other tasks such as weeding spraying, cleaning street furniture etc could be placed on a additional schedule of rates.</p> <p><b>Litter</b> – Gateway in Braybrooke Road, Great Oxendon – This had become a problem area with people using it in the evenings. Northants Highways had been notified of the issue and the site was under surveillance.</p> <p><b>Dog Fouling, Clipston Lane.</b> This was being progressed via Daventry District Council.</p>

<p>1518</p> <p>1518/1</p> <p>1518/2</p>	<p><b>Highways</b></p> <p><b>Water on Main Street.</b> Councillor Jones had spoken to Northants Highways and the target to resolve this problem was late autumn 2017.</p> <p><b>A508 Traffic Calming</b> – The work programme was complicated by the A6 closure which had affected traffic flows. The Parish Council was awaiting further feedback.</p>
<p>1519</p>	<p><b>Community</b></p> <p>One of the main concerns within the community was the continued parking on grass verges. Signage was inconsistent within the village. There was a need for a message to the Community promoting responsible car parking. The Parish Clerk would write an article.</p> <p>Six bags of books had been left in the telephone kiosk. Councillor Steedman agreed to organise and pass on the surplus books to a Charity Shop.</p>
<p>1520</p> <p>1520/1</p> <p>1520/2</p> <p>1520/3</p>	<p><b>Finance</b></p> <p><b>Grant Applications</b> – The Village Hall Committee had applied for a grant for flooring together with a vacuum cleaner. Dispensation was granted to those Councillors (Custodian Trustees) who were also members of the Village Hall Committee to take part in this item.</p> <p>The Parish Council <b>resolved</b> that a grant up to a maximum up to £1500 should be made but only if no alternative funding stream is found. The grant would be paid upon receipt of the copy invoice. This would be financed in accordance with Section 19 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976</p> <p>This was -proposed by Councillor Steedman and seconded by Councillor Hogarth.</p> <p><b>Payments for Approval</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TMDP - £1923.60 (inclusive of VAT) – Payment agreed but the cheque not to be released until the project is completed to the required standard.</li> <li>• EON – Street Lighting £44.84 (Inclusive of VAT)</li> </ul> <p>The payments were proposed by Councillor Barker and seconded by Councillor Hogarth.</p> <p><b>BACS</b></p> <p>HMRC had asked that future payments not be made by cheque – but via electronic means. The Parish Council <b>resolved</b> that it moves to electronic banking with HSBC at the earliest opportunity. Appropriate safeguards would be in place including a monthly bank reconciliation on the agenda.</p> <p>This was proposed by Councillor Barker and seconded by Councillor Jones.</p> <p><b>PSLB Loan</b></p> <p>The recent Direct Debit payment of £914.78 would leave a balance of £14,535.25.</p>
<p>1521</p>	<p><b>Chairs Report</b></p> <p>Nothing to report</p>

1522	<p><b>Consultations</b></p> <p>The following consultations had been received:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consultation on the Northampton Northern Orbital Route and Northampton North-West Relief Road</li> <li>• Library Online Use Survey 2017</li> </ul>
1523	<p><b>Parish Clerks Business</b></p> <p>The Parish Council noted the following correspondence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• latest edition of <i>eUpdate</i> from Northants CALC</li> <li>• Data Protection – Renewal Confirmation</li> <li>• County Council Election Posters</li> <li>• Commencement of Parish Clerks CILCA Training</li> <li>• Automatic enrolment – acknowledgement from the Pensions Regulator</li> <li>• Healthy Walk Newsletter</li> </ul>
1524	<p><b>Question Time</b></p> <p>There were no questions from the floor.</p>
1525	<p><b>Date and Time of the next Parish Council Meeting</b></p> <p>The next meeting would be held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017 starting at 730pm. This would be the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council.</p>
<p><i>The meeting finished at 9.03pm</i></p>	

<p><i>Signed as a true and accurate record</i></p>	<p><b>Councillor Roseanne Steedman</b></p> <p><b>Chair</b> <b>Great Oxendon Parish Council</b> 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017</p>
	<p><b>Peter Rowbotham</b></p> <p><b>Parish Clerk</b> <b>Great Oxendon Parish Council</b> 1<sup>st</sup> May 2017</p> <p>077 1212 0231 <a href="mailto:parishcouncil@greatoxendon.org">parishcouncil@greatoxendon.org</a></p>