

Great Oxendon Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3rd July 2017

Present: Councillors Steedman (Chair), Rumsey, Barker, Hogarth, and Evans. (from 8.07pm)

Parish Clerk – Peter Rowbotham

Members of the Public: 1

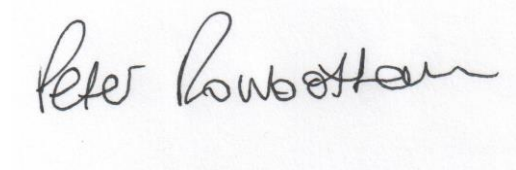
Other Visitors:

1565	<p><u>Apologies</u> Apologies had been received from Councillor Jones. The apologies were accepted by the meeting.</p>
1566	<p><u>Declaration of Personal & Prejudicial Interests</u> None had been declared.</p>
1567	<p><u>Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th June 2017</u> The minutes of the Parish Council and the Annual Parish meetings of 12th June 2017 were accepted as a true and accurate record. The minutes were proposed by Councillor Hogarth and seconded by Councillor Rumsey. Unanimous.</p>
1568	<p><u>Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Meeting</u> The cheque for the work to the Millenium Monument was being held until the issues had been resolved. The Grasscrete solution would not be possible as the highways authority no longer recommended this product because of the maintaince issues. However this type of surface, along with tarmac was cost prohibitive to the Parish Council. (A tarmac solution could cost upto £20k for the equivelent of two spaces) The Parish Council asked the Clerk to write to Futures Housing again about the car parking problems in this area. The Parish Clerk had emailed the grass cutting contractor regarding the need to improve standards in the village. A flyer had been sent out to villagers regarding the Neighbourhood Plan.</p>
1569	<p><u>Open Forum</u> The advice to eliminate the rodent problem was not to feed the birds or leave other food lying around. The Pest Control Operative from Daventry District Council had laid down the required bait and would revisit as necessary.</p>
1570	<p><u>Update from the local Councillor(s)</u> Nothing to report.</p>

1571	<p><u>Planning & Housing</u></p> <p>Planning Application DA /2017/0537 Works to trees subject to Tree Preservation Order DA227 Oxendon Hall, Main Street, Great Oxendon</p> <p>The Parish Council had no objection to the proposal. This was proposed by Councillor Barker and seconded by Councillor Rumsey.</p>
1572	<p><u>Police and Community Safety</u></p> <p>Councillor Barker had not received the monthly crime & ASB activity report. The Clerk would ensure that he received a copy. The Parish Council noted the report for May 2017.</p> <p>Special PC Stephen Coleman was keen to speak to the Police Liaison contact at the Parish Council.</p> <p>The Parish Council had received the Police and Crime Plan for 2017- 2020.</p>
1573	<p><u>Environment</u></p> <p>Parishes and groups across Daventry District had been invited in a renewed campaign to rid the streets and open spaces of dog fouling. The Paint Means Poo campaign revisits the successful paint spraying scheme first launched by Daventry District Council (DDC) in 2013. The initiative saw volunteers spraying dog mess with brightly-coloured biodegradable paint in order to highlight the extent of fouling and shame owners into picking up after their pets. The Parish Council noted the initiative.</p>
1574	<p><u>Highways</u></p> <p>The Great Oxendon Traffic Calming scheme is awaiting the reopening of the A6 before it can progress.</p> <p>Eon had reminded the Parish Council to consider the replacement on any Mercury street lights within the village. New lanterns would be £395 each and £1018 for a lantern and concrete column. There was budget provision to replace street lamps. A survey was needed and Councillor Hogarth would forward the plans to the Parish Clerk. The Clerk would also contact Eon regarding advice on progressing this.</p> <p>Parking remains an ongoing issue in the village – both cars and occasionally a lorry. With limited resources and powers, the Parish Council can only monitor the position.</p>
	<p><i>Councillor Evans arrived at 8.07pm</i></p>
1575	<p><u>Community</u></p> <p>It was noted that the village group 'GO Social' was donating planters to the Parish Council. Once these have been formally delivered then they these would be added to the Councils inventory. This was agreed by the Parish Council. This was proposed by Councillor Evans and seconded by Councillor Hogarth.</p>
1576 1576/1	<p><u>Finance</u></p> <p>Annual Governance Statement for 2016/2017</p> <p>The Annual Statement had been completed by the Clerk. The Parish Council reviewed the document and agreed that this be signed off and submitted to BDO. This was proposed by Councillor Barker and seconded by Councillor Evans.</p>

1576/2	<p>The Accounting Statement for 2016/2017</p> <p>The Accounting Statement had been completed by the Clerk. The (replacement) Internal Auditor had no issues with the documentation and had signed off the Statements. The supporting statement was attached for Councillors information. The Parish Council reviewed the document and agreed that this be signed off and submitted to BDO. This was proposed by Councillor Barker and seconded by Councillor Evans.</p>
1577	<p><u>Bills for Payment (June)</u></p> <p>The payments for June were agreed by the Council. This was proposed by Councillor Barker and seconded by Councillor Rumsey.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheque 100772 – Eon – Street Lighting Maintenance - £44.84 (inc VAT) • Cheque 100771 – Zurich – Insurance - £382.24
1578	<p><u>Defibulator</u></p> <p>The Council further considered the procurement of a defibulator for community use. Since the last meeting the Parish Council had received a cheque for £400 as a grant towards the project. It was noted that to be effective the defibulator must be used within 5 minutes. The village would also need a team of responders.</p> <p>This project promotes community spirit and budget provision had been made for the procurement. The most likely site was The George Public House and Councillor Hogarth would speak to the landlord. In addition to the defibulator training the Parish Council would offer a community first aid course to increase these key skills within the village.</p> <p>This matter was deferred to the next meeting for decision.</p>
1579	<p><u>Consultations</u></p> <p>Following new government initiatives for greater joint working between emergency services, a change to the governance of the Fire and Rescue Service in Northamptonshire is being proposed. There are proposals for the governance of Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service to be transferred from the Fire Authority to the Police & Crime Commissioner.</p> <p>The link to the consultation site is shown here: http://www.northantspcc.org.uk/northants-fire-proposals/</p>
1580	<p>Parish Clerks Business</p> <p>The Parish Clerk had no additional business to report.</p>
1581	<p>Question Time</p> <p>There were no questions from the floor.</p>
1582	<p>Date and Time of the next Parish Council Meeting</p> <p>The next meeting would be held on Monday 31st July 2017 starting at 730pm.</p>
<p><i>The meeting finished at 9.21pm</i></p>	

Signed as a true and accurate record

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter Rowbotham". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above the printed name and contact information.

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25th July 2017**

31st July 2017