

Great Oxendon Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 8th May 2017

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

Parish Clerk – Peter Rowbotham

Members of the Public: 2

Other Visitors: Cecille Irving Swift

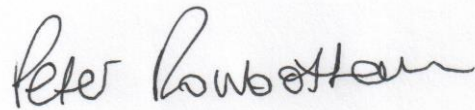
1530	<p><u>Apologies</u> No apologies had been received. Councillor Evans was running late.</p>
1531	<p><u>Declaration of Personal & Prejudicial Interests</u> None had been declared.</p>
1532	<p><u>Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th April 2017</u> The minutes of the meeting of 10th April 2017 were accepted as a true and accurate record. The minutes were proposed by Councillor Jones and seconded by Councillor Barker. Unanimous.</p>
1533	<p><u>Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Meeting</u> DA/2017/0270 Single storey rear extension, 54, Main Street – This Planning Application had been withdrawn DA/2017/0236 Two storey rear and first storey side extension, 9 Braybrooke Road. This application had been approved. The cheque for the work to the Millenium Monument was being held until the issues had been resolved.</p>
1534	<p><u>Open Forum</u> The issue of car parking in the village was raised. The number of cars in the village had increased but parking provision had remained at similar levels. This was a common issue with a lot of villages. The impact of high car ownership and poor parking provision has led to the destruction of grass verges. The Parish Council would look at the possible solutions including the use of grasscrete blocking. The footpath on the bus stop heading south needed cutting back. This would be reported. The issue of rodents within parts of the village was raised. This may be linked to the presence of animal feed. It was agreed that Councillor Rumsey would speak to Daventry District Council for advice.</p>
	<p><i>Councillor Evans arrived at 743pm.</i></p>
1535	<p><u>Update from the local Councillor(s)</u> County Councillor Irvine Swift reported that she had been re-elected as a County Councillor. She was congratulated upon the result. She reported that tough spending decisions still needed to be made at NCC and generally Local Government was in turmoil. There was pressure to merge the County with Districts but to do this a</p>

	<p>referendum would be required. The risk was that bigger authorities were not always better. County Councillor Irvine Swift reported that she still had £5000 available for small community grants. Up to £400 could be made available if the village wanted to buy a defibrillator. This was to be considered at the next meeting.</p> <p>There was concern regarding the Market Harborough to Northampton footpath. The paths were getting narrower and maintenance was required. The Warden role was no longer available to deal with these matters.</p> <p>There was no news about the Wormslade development progressing further. It was thought that the developer may want to renegotiate the terms of operation. Funding arrangements may have changed which could lead to the project being reassessed because of viability.</p> <p>IKelmarsh Wind Farm was providing community funds of £28k per year for 20 years. Should the Parish Council want to apply for funds then it must direct this request to the Kelmarsh Trust.</p>
	<i>Cecille Irving Swift left the meeting at 8.12pm.</i>
1536	<p><u>Planning & Housing</u></p> <p>A workshop regarding Part 2 Settlements and Countryside Local Plan would take place on 23rd May 2017. Councillor Hogarth may be able to attend.</p>
1537	<p><u>Police and Community Safety</u></p> <p>PCSO Matt Taylor had moved on to another role. It was noted that there was a shift towards encouraging Parish Councils to directly finance PCSO's.</p>
1538	<p><u>Environment</u></p> <p>Braybrooke Road needed overhanging branches cutting back as some road signs had not been visible. There was also a litter problem. Councillor Jones was to investigate the cost of a bin – both provision and regular emptying by DDC.</p> <p>The finger signpost to Clipston needed cleaning and restoring.</p> <p>The footpaths on the west side of the A508 needed cutting back and restoring to full width. Councillor Jones to raise with the NCC Kier Team.</p> <p>The Church had asked to be included in the village wide grass cutting schedule. This was not within the powers of the Council. It was agreed that no action be taken. This was proposed by Councillor Hogarth and seconded by Councillor Jones.</p> <p>There was a proposal from the 'Go Social' team to consider the installation of planters alongside the A508. This would be progressed but the Parish Council would need to lead on this having the necessary public liability insurance in place.</p> <p>A report was received on the Clean Green Coordinator Project who would provide useful resources on future environmental projects.</p>
1539	<p><u>Highways</u></p> <p>There had been no progress on the water leak but progress was expected later in the year.</p> <p>Traffic calming would start in the Autumn after the A6 was restored.</p>

1540	<p>Community</p> <p>Nothing to report</p>
1541	<p>Cross Borders Liaison Group</p> <p>Councillor Jones had recently attended a meeting of this Group.</p> <p>A further Greenfields planning appeal had been granted temporary permission. Certain criteria needed to be met by the Appellant within 28 days. A representative from the Group was writing a letter to Kettering BC enquiring of the impact of any non-compliance.</p> <p>Fly tipping continues to be a problem across the Parishes. Parishes were encouraged to promote the contact details for reporting any fly tipping incidents.</p> <p>The next Cross Borders meeting was organised for 26th July 2017.</p>
1542	<p>Chairs Report</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>
1543	<p>Parish Clerks Report</p> <p>The Clerk reported that the Web Site domain name had been renewed. This had been financed by Chris Young. Councillors asked to be set up as users for the web site to ensure it was up to date.</p> <p>The Daventry District Council Parishes Meeting would take place on Thursday 15th June. Councillor Steedman would be able to attend.</p>
1544	<p>Finance</p> <p>1544/1 The Parish Council approved the accounts up to 31st March 2017 (Q4). These figures would be used for the internal audit visit set for 18th May 2017. This was proposed by Councillor Barker and seconded by Councillor Evans. Unanimous</p> <p>1554/2 The Risk Register for 2017 was reviewed and adopted. This was proposed by Councillor Barker and seconded by Councillor Evans. Unanimous</p> <p>1554/3 The following payments (excluding VAT) were approved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheque 100766 - EON - £180.68 – Street Lighting • Cheque100767 - NCALC - £495.00 – CILCA Training Course • Cheque 100768- Peter Rowbotham – Jan/Feb/Mar – Salary & Expenses - £501.51 • Cheque 100769- HMRC – PAYE re Clerk - £107.80 <p>The payments were approved by Councillor Barker and proposed by Councillor Evans. Unanimous</p>
1545	<p>Consultations</p> <p>The completion of the form for the Definitive Map and Rights of Way would be delegated to Councillor Jones to complete and return.</p> <p>This was proposed by Councillor Rumsey and seconded by Councillor Evans. Unanimous</p>

1546	<p>Question Time</p> <p>There were no questions from the floor.</p>
1547	<p>Date and Time of the next Parish Council Meeting</p> <p>The next meeting would be held on Monday 12th June 2017 starting at 730pm. This would be the Annual Parish Meeting followed by a meeting of the Parish Council.</p>
<p><i>The meeting finished at 9.21pm</i></p>	

Signed as a true and accurate record



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