

## Great Oxendon Parish Council

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018

**Present:** Councillor Steedman, Councillor Rumsey, Councillor Barker, Councillor Dr Jones and Councillor Hogarth.

**Apologies:** Councillor Carolyn Jones and Councillor Evans.

**Parish Clerk** – Peter Rowbotham

**Members of the Public:** 1

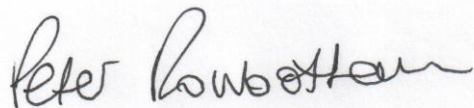
1725	<p><b><u>Welcome</u></b> Councillor Steedman welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Parish Council.</p>
1726	<p><b><u>Apologies</u></b> Apologies had been received from Councillor Carolyn Jones (Holiday) and Councillor Evans (Away) These apologies were accepted by the meeting.</p>
1727	<p><b><u>Declaration of Personal &amp; Prejudicial Interests</u></b>  None declared.</p>
1728	<p><b><u>Minutes of the Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2018 and 21<sup>st</sup> February 2018</u></b>  The minutes of the Parish Council of 5<sup>th</sup> February and 21<sup>st</sup> February 2018 were accepted as a true and accurate record. The minutes were proposed by Councillor Barker and seconded by Councillor Rumsey. Unanimous.</p>
1729	<p><b><u>Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Meeting</u></b>  None.</p>
1730	<p><b><u>Open Forum</u></b>  No items had been raised.</p>
1731	<p><b><u>Community Safety</u></b>  Councillor Barker reported on the information received via the Neighbourhood Watch emails. There had been no specific issues relating directly to the Parish of Great Oxendon.  Councillor Barker highlighted the issues raised -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keeping dogs safe</li> <li>• Insecure e mails and cyber crime</li> <li>• Looking after neighbours in the cold weather</li> <li>• Speeding - checks had been carried out with over 400 drivers being identified as speeding</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tackling ASB – emails had referred to drug dealing/ children on rooves etc</li> <li>• Thefts from commercial vehicles</li> <li>• Extracting money from schools (deception)</li> <li>• Burglary was up by 30% - Reported crime up by 14%. This is a national trend.</li> </ul> <p>There had been no direct contact from the Rural Policing Team. However the current priorities do include raising the Police presence plus tackling speeding and anti-social behaviour.</p> <p>It was reported that the Neighbourhood Watch sign was missing and would need replacing.</p>
1732	<p><b><u>Highways</u></b></p> <p>There had been no progress with the Traffic Calming project. The Clerk will email NCC to ask about timescales for implementation.</p> <p>Parking problems persist within the village. There had been no progress re the stream of water on the highway. (Main Street) Councillor Carolyn Jones would be asked for an update at the next meeting.</p> <p>The NCC grit bin required refilling.</p>
1733	<p><b><u>Community Matters</u></b></p> <p>A litter clearing day was being planned for the community.</p> <p>Councillor Hogarth reported that the defibulator was being installed and training would follow from the St. Johns Ambulance Service at a cost of £100. The Clerk would add the defibulator and cabinet to the Parish Council's inventory and also to the insurance policy. An A5 article on the Defibulator would be inserted in the next Parish Magazine.</p>
1734	<p><b><u>Cross Borders</u></b></p> <p>It seemed that stiles had been removed from some footpaths. Councillor Barker will carry out a check.</p> <p>Harrington Parish Council had asked for a £20 donation to contribute to the costs of hiring the Village Hall. This would be considered at a future meeting.</p>
1735	<p><b><u>Planning – Wormslade Farm</u></b></p> <p>The Parish Council was dissatisfied with the outcome of the Wormslade Farm planning application. The community speakers had been very good but it always going to be a challenge for the Committee to vote against the Planning Officer's recommendation to approve the submitted changes. It was important that the community remain engaged and monitor the site activities to ensure that it meets the planning conditions.</p> <p>The Clerk would email Colin Brown to thank him for his valuable work on this matter.</p>
1736	<p><b><u>Planning – Permitted Development</u></b>  <b><u>PD/2018/0003</u></b>  <b><u>Prior Approval for change of use from storage or distribution buildings (Class B8) to dwellings (Units 2,3 and 6)</u></b>  <b><u>Waterloo Buildings, Harborough Road, Great Oxendon</u></b></p> <p>A local resident addressed the meeting and raised concerns regarding road traffic safety at the site. The Parish Council agreed to formally expressed its own concerns regarding highway safety and vehicles turning into the site – which is on the brow on a hill within a 60mph zone.</p> <p>To alleviate this problem the Parish Council suggested that access be from the fishing lakes entrance</p>

	<p>where a drive could run along the inside of the hedge to the site. It was thought that this had been previously proposed but clearly there are cost implications to the project for the applicant to consider.</p> <p>This was proposed by Councillor Dr Jones and seconded by Councillor Rumsey. Unanimous.</p>
1737	<p><b><u>Finance</u></b></p> <p>There had been no payments for authorisation.</p> <p>The Parish Council received the Bank Reconciliation Report for January 2018. This indicated a balance of £23,018.18.</p>
1738	<p><b><u>Report of the Parish Clerk</u></b></p> <p>The report of the Parish Clerk had been circulated with the agenda and this was received by the Parish Council.</p>
1739	<p><b><u>Annual Review of Parish Council Documents</u></b> <b><u>Standing Orders and Financial Regulations</u></b></p> <p>The Parish Council's Standing Orders had been circulated for review by the Parish Council. It was agreed that this document be adopted by the Parish Council. This was proposed by Councillor Barker and seconded by Councillor Hogarth.</p> <p>The Parish Council's Financial Regulations had been circulated for review by the Parish Council. It was agreed that this document be adopted by the Parish Council. This was proposed by Councillor Barker and seconded by Councillor Hogarth.</p>
1740	<p><b><u>Question Time</u></b></p> <p>No questions had been raised.</p>
1741	<p><b><u>Urgent Business</u></b></p> <p>There was no urgent business.</p>
1742	<p><b><u>Dates of the next Parish Council Meetings</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at 730pm</li> </ul>

*The meeting finished at 8.24pm*

*Signed as a true and accurate record*



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