

## Great Oxendon Parish Council

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2020

#### Village Hall, Main Street, Great Oxendon

<b>Present:</b>	Councillor Steedman, Councillor Rumsey, Councillor Barker, Councillor Carolyn Jones, Councillor Hogarth, Councillor Evans, Councillor Debbie Jones and Councillor Patel Brown
<b>Apologies</b>	None
<b>Absent:</b>	None
<b>Also Present:</b>	Peter Rowbotham (Parish Clerk)
<b>Members of the Public:</b>	4

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**2175**      **Welcome**

Councillor Steedman welcomed everyone to the February meeting of the Great Oxendon Parish Council.

**2176**      **Apologies**

None received.

**2177**      **Declarations of any Personal & Prejudicial Interests**

Councillor Barker, Councillor Rumsey and Councillor Patel Brown declared an interest in item 8 – the pre application informal consultation for a housing development off Braybrooke Road.

**2178**      **Minutes of the Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2020 and any matters arising**

The minutes of the Parish Council of 13<sup>th</sup> January 2020 were accepted as a true and accurate record. The minutes were proposed by Councillor Debbie Jones and seconded by Councillor Stephen Hogarth. Unanimous.

**Minute number 2159 – WW1 Seat** - the bench can only be installed with a signed undertaking from the adjoining resident to confirm that he has no objections to the proposal.

**Minute number 2157 - Speed Indicator Device** – work was in hand and the location was still to be agreed.

Councillors were notified that all motions/ proposals passed without objection were classified as 'Unanimous'. An abstention counts as a 'no objection' and not a vote against.

**2179**      **Public Open Forum Session**

A request was made that the meeting room layout be looked at to improve the acoustics within the Village Hall.

The issue of the new traffic island was raised. There was an issue regarding visibility to drivers especially in the dark whilst it needed a clean. The bollard was not illuminated, and it was thought that several cars had clipped the kerb.

**2180 Community Safety**

An overview of crime within the locality was provided. There was one reported crime within the Parish of Great Oxendon during December 2019.

Sgt Dobbs was retiring from his position at the Daventry Neighbourhood Policing Unit to take up a post-up with the National Police Federation.

There was a report of a car being parked alongside the Village Hall utilising the free public Wi-Fi. There was no evidence of any wrongdoing although the position would be monitored.

**2181 Highways, Footpaths and Trees**

A walk had been arranged to look at the required work around the village. This was a comprehensive list and not all would be achieved in year one. A quote would be obtained from a local Contractor.

No parking signs for the grass verges was discussed – enquiries to be made regarding pricing.

The bus shelters required maintenance and this task would be added to the list of tasks. The focus of the priority tasks should be based upon health and safety issues including slips, trips and falls.

*Councillor Barker, Councillor Rumsey and Councillor Patel Brown left the meeting*

**2183 Planning – ‘Pre-Application’ Informal Consultation – Proposed Residential Development off Braybrooke Road**

The Parish Council agreed to support the proposal in principle, subject to the details on design, landscaping etc all being satisfactory. This was proposed by Councillor Debbie Jones and seconded by Councillor Carolyn Jones. Unanimous.

*Councillor Barker, Councillor Rumsey and Councillor Patel Brown returned to the meeting*

**2184 Environment**

There was nothing to report.

**2185 Parish Council Representatives – Reports**

**Village Hall** – A recent meeting of the Committee agreed that a tidy up and redecoration was due. It was also hoped that a new cooker and flat screen TV could be installed.

**Cross Border Meeting** – A recent meeting had been held. It was noted that the Harrington Parish Council was progressing well with the Neighbourhood Plan. Enforcement action from the District Council was in progress regarding the illegal occupation at the Greenfields traveller site. There was an alleged contravention with the original planning conditions. There was uncertainty of the status of the Market Harborough to Northampton railway line. It was at present that this proposal was being driven from a local level.

**2186 Finance - Monthly Transaction (Including Approval of Payments)**

The list of financial transactions and payments for January 2020 was approved by the Parish Council. All invoices for payment had been examined, verified and certified by the Parish Clerk in accordance with the Financial Regulation 5.3. This was proposed by Councillor Rumsey and seconded by Councillor Evans. Unanimous.

		Net Amount	VAT	Total	Powers
		£	£	£	
<b>Direct Debit Payments - Financial Reg 6.7</b>					
BT	Broadband (14th December 2019)	45.90	9.18	55.08	LGA 1972 s111
<b>Payments for approval - Financial Regulation 5.2 (via BACS)</b>					
S Hogarth	Defib Pads	126.00	25.20	151.20	PHA 1936 s234
R Steedman	Gift for Parishioner	14.16	2.83	16.99	LGA 1972 s137
<b>Total Expenditure this month</b>		<b>186.06</b>	<b>37.21</b>	<b>223.27</b>	
<b>Receipts</b>					
Nil					
<b>Total Income this month</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	

**2187 Finance - Bank Reconciliation**

The Bank Reconciliation Report for 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019 was noted by the Parish Council. This indicated £9,308.76 within the Revenue Account (Community Account) and £3,869.97 within the Capital Account. (Money Manager Account).

**2188 Finance - Statement of Reserves**

The Statement of Reserves was noted by the Parish Council. This indicated £693.49 within restricted funds and £4,493.49 within earmarked reserves.

**2189 Finance - Budget Monitoring**

The rolling budget report was noted by the Parish Council. There were no areas to highlight.

**2190 Parish Clerks Report**

Nothing to report

**2191 Question Time**

Thanks were recorded regarding the financial contribution to the Village Magazine. Work to the church yard was in progress. The bollard at the entrance of the Village was thought to be a hazard. This had already been picked up by the Parish Council.

**2192 Any Other Urgent Business**

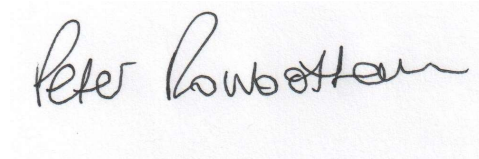
The open session on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June would focus on Neighbourhood Planning, future Housing provision and the promotion of Neighbourhood Watch.

**2193 Future Dates of Parish Council Meetings**

- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2020 (Parish Meeting & Parish Council)
- **Election Day – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2020**
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2020 (Annual Meeting)

*The meeting finished at 8.55 pm*

*Signed as a true and accurate record*



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**Great Oxendon Parish Council**  
2<sup>nd</sup> March 2020

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