

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held on Monday 2nd October 2017 in the Village Hall**

Present:

Charles Mathew	(CM)	Chairman
Matthew Judson	(MJ)	Councillor - Vice Chairman
Graham Dixon-Brown	(GDB)	Councillor
Jose Eaton	(JE)	Councillor
Joe Deane	(JD)	Councillor
Colin Wells	(CW)	Councillor
Trudi Gasser	(TG)	Parish Clerk

In Attendance: 5 Members of the public

MIN REF	ITEM	ACTION AGREED
17/110	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
	Steve Good (SG) WODC District Councillor Hilary Fenton (HF) WODC District Councillor	
17/111	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CM owns property near the Leys, the Green and the School 	
17/112	APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 13th JULY 2017	
	<p>Following amendments, the Minutes were approved for publication.</p> <p>Matters arising: TG confirmed the bulbs had been ordered and delivery was imminent. The bulb planting date was set for 2.30pm on Sunday 29th October 2017. TG to publicise and appeal for helpers.</p>	
17/113	REPORTS FROM DISTRICT/COUNTY COUNCILLORS	
	DISTRICT: No Councillors present at the meeting.	
	COUNTY: CM confirmed that the CC is currently working on the A40, with closures at times. CM confirmed that the Oxfordshire Growth Board have produced a list of projects which in their opinion need funding in the next fifteen years. The Growth Board is made up of the leaders of the six Councils in Oxfordshire.	
17/114	PLANNING	
	<p>Current Applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sheehan Haulage and Plant Hire Ltd, for planning permission for the Section 73 application to continue the operation of Dix Pit Recycled Aggregate Facility permitted by planning permission no. 16/04166/CM (MW.0140/16) without complying with condition 6 thereby allowing an increase in the maximum tonnage of waste 	

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	<p>material imported to site to 175,000 tonnes per annum at Sheehan Recycled Aggregates Plant, Dix Pit, Stanton Harcourt, Witney, OX29 5BB</p> <p>CM reported that this is very much a question of the B4449; it is claimed that there will be no change in the number of heavy goods vehicles. TG to send the application ref to all councillors for comments by the next meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appeal Reference: APP/D3125/W/17/3180608 (16/04205/FUL) Land South Of Tudor Cottage; Eynsham Road; Sutton Erection of two dwellings TG confirmed that MJ had revised the comments on the original application for submission to the inspectorate – CM thanks him for his efforts. All were in agreement for TG to submit those comments. • APPLICATION NO: 17/02804/HHD PROPOSAL: Removal of flat roof to an existing detached single bay Garage with the construction of a new tiled & pitched roof. LOCATION: Mistletoe Cottage Sutton Lane Sutton TG confirmed that no objections had been received. CM requested that the PC request that the building will remain a single detached garage. TG to submit comments to WODC. <p>To note current status of WODC Local Plan CM confirmed that WODC has stated that they do not intend to diminish the number of annual houses to be built in WO despite the Government’s recent recalculation formula, now in consultation, which would the effect of reducing the annual figure as in the draft Local Plan.</p> <p>Other Planning: Appending comments to Minutes: It was agreed that all PC comments to planning applications be appended to the minutes for reference. TG to action. See Appendix B.</p>	
17/115	QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. It was resolved to close the meeting to take questions (see appendix). 2. It was resolved to reconvene the meeting. 	
17/116	VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK	
	<p>CM updated all regarding Butts Piece section 106 funding, confirming that resurfacing of the village hall and the path and crossing from the Leena Cottage exit are now part of the 106. The agreement is currently being drawn up and the PC will have the opportunity to view the draft agreement. The developers have been made aware of the drainage issue on the car park and the quotes obtained. The PC needs to be in a position to comment when the agreement is received.</p>	

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	CM asked CW to update the Village Hall Committee accordingly.	
17/116	MAINTENANCE/RISK ASSESSMENTS	
	<p>The comments received on the risk assessment to date were discussed. It was discussed whether the PC should employ contractors to blitz the graveyard to make maintenance more manageable. All were in agreement. JE to obtain a 3rd quotation.</p> <p>Various issues to be reported on Fix My Street:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Missing/damaged reflectors in West End • The state of the B4449 from Tar Lane to Hardwick, including the road collapsing and the ever expanding dip. • Painted lines in the roads are worn and require repainting, especially on Main Road on the bend by Leena Cottage. <p>TG to report problems. TG to also write to David Bury to ask that the hedge on New Road could be kind enough to cut back when cutting is next taking place.</p> <p>CM to report the issue with the culverts on the B4449 to OCC Highways again.</p> <p>The risk assessment is to be completed and circulated for agreement of actions at the next meeting.</p> <p>TG confirmed that the Play Inspection Company had acknowledged the order to complete assessments at the price of £225 plus Vat – the date of inspection is to be confirmed.</p> <p>JD to publish an appeal in the next Village Voice for a handyman to carry out maintenance in the village.</p>	
17/117	REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS	
MJ	Nothing to report.	
JD	Nothing to report.	
GDB	Other than maintenance issues in the risk assessment, nothing further to report.	
CW	Nothing to report.	
JE	Expressed concern regarding maintenance, asking for more positive help.	
CM	CM asked for agreement to write to TVP voicing concern over the lack of support for Speedwatch. All were in agreement.	
17/117	FINANCIAL MATTERS	
	Cheques were circulated for signature.	

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	CM requested that pay rates be reviewed at the October meeting.	
17/118	CORRESPONDENCE	
	Nothing to report.	
17/119	OTHER BUSINESS (for information only)	
	No other business.	
	NEXT MEETING The next Ordinary Meeting – Monday 6 th November. Items to include on the agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget • Rates of pay 	

Signed

Date

APPENDIX A TO MINUTES: PUBLIC SESSION NOTES

SHEEHANS VEHICLES

It was pointed out that Sheehans vehicles are now fitted with trackers. This had been confirmed by a member of OCC to a resident and by Sheehan's agent to CM

APPENDIX B TO MINUTES: PC PLANNING CONSULTATION

Appeal Reference: APP/D3125/W/17/3180608 (16/04205/FUL)

Land South Of Tudor Cottage; Eynsham Road; Sutton

Erection of two dwellings

The Parish Council **strongly objects** to the planning application for the following reasons:

- Over development of Green Space
- views into the conservation zone
- inappropriate increase in Beaumont House development
- orchard specifically preserved at original planning
- proximity to listed building

The proposed area is subject to flooding/boggy conditions (see enclosed pictures of the area) – should this area be developed it will no doubt cause flooding at Tudor Cottage, as the water will have no other means of escape from the area.

Stanton Harcourt Parish Council strongly opposes any new building on the orchard of Beaumont Green; when the original development was built, it was agreed that the Orchard would be preserved as an orchard and was to be retained under the planning consent given because of its historic value and should have been properly maintained by the present owner, not used as a dumping ground for all the grass cuttings from The Green.

Tudor cottage was recently renovated after it was tragically almost completely destroyed by fire some years ago. The renovation was undertaken at considerable extra expense due to its grade 2 listing status. This would now seem to be completely devalued and the extra expense uncalled for by the building of 2 modern Cottages so close.

In his email of 23rd. November 2015, Phil Shaw gave ‘ecological’ and setting of a ‘LB’ as the reasons they (WODC) would not support such an application in referring to an earlier approach on this site.

The over development of green space, the designated views in the conservation area (see WODC Conservation Area Character Assessment on Stanton Harcourt and Sutton), the specific preservation of the orchard, proximity to a Listed Building and the wet nature of the lie of the land, leading at times to flooding in that area, are paramount in supporting the Parish Council views.

APPLICATION NO: 17/02804/HHD

PROPOSAL: Removal of flat roof to an existing detached single bay Garage with the construction of a new tiled & pitched roof.

LOCATION: Mistletoe Cottage Sutton Lane Sutton

Whilst to Parish Council has no objections to this application, we would request that the property remains a single detached garage.