

OXTED PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Oxted Parish Council held in the Meeting Room, the Community Hall, Church Lane, Oxted on Tuesday 12th July 2016 at 7.30pm

Mrs Liz Parker Mr David Weightman Mr Martin Fisher Mrs Beverley Connolly Mr Terry Dillon Mr Paul Whitehurst Mrs Karen Weightman Mrs Barbara Harling Mrs Katherine Saunders Mr Stephen Blundell Mrs Claire Dillon

> Mrs Maureen Gibbins Clerk to Oxted Parish Council

MINUTES

- 1. Prayers were led by Cllr Martin Fisher
- 2. **Apologies for absence:**

Apologies were received from Mr Colin David who had a prior engagement.

- 3. **Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest:** To receive any disclosure by members of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interests, and whether the member regards the interest to be prejudicial under the terms of the new Code of Conduct. Members are reminded of the need to repeat their declaration immediately prior to the commencement of the item in question. Anyone with a prejudicial interest must, unless an exception applies, or a dispensation has been issued, withdraw from the meeting. There was none
- 4. **Public session:** There was no member of the public present.
- 5. County Councillor report

County Councillor Nick Skellett attended the meeting and reported as follows:

- Local Committee has met and agreed locations for new parking arrangements however, the detail has not been finalized. It was agreed Cllrs. Parker, Fisher and D Weightman will meet with Cllr Skellett to discuss the detail.
- Tandridge Access Group requested resurfacing of the pavement on Station Road East and this is due to be undertaken.
- It has been suggested that a dropped kerb be installed at the junction of Amy Road and Station Road East to make it easier to cross the road.

- There was general discussion regarding the increased traffic emerging from three developments viz: Oxted Sandpit which is proposing 55 lorry movements a day on Barrow Green Road; Chalkpit Quarry is in talks to negotiate the number of movements. Moorhouse will be 'sharing' the A25 and whereas traffic is at about 200 movements a day they will go up to 948.
- It was agreed that OPC needs to be aware of these figures. Cllr. Fisher reinforced that the Chalkpit Quarry is most concerning politically locally. There followed a brief discussion pertaining to the frequency of the DPD delivery lorrys and vans.
- 6. <u>Minutes</u>: The Minutes of Full Council meeting held on 10th May and the extra meeting held on 7th June 2016 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman

7. Planning Committee:

- i) Planning Committee: Council approved the minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 17/05/16, 07/06/16 and 28/06/16.
- ii) Full Council received the minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 17/05/16, 07/06/16 and 28/06/16.
- iii) Planning Committee report -39 applications considered; 15 no comment; 8 left to Arboriculturist; 9 leave to TDC officers; 3 concerns of which one was part of a no comment; 4 objections. One of the objections was 16 Roseacre which Cllr. Parker requested go to committee and this has been agreed.
- iv) Hurst Green sign The Clerk reported that she has sent chasing emails however if no reply is received she will find someone else to remove it for storage at Cllr Saunders address.
- v) TDC/CIL projects. The Clerk reported she submitted suggestions to TDC and is awaiting a decision of appropriateness of requests.

8. Burial Committee:

- i) Burial Committee: Council approved the minutes of the Burial Committee meeting held on 24/05/16.
- ii) Full Council received the minutes of the Burial Committee 24/05/16.
- iii) Burial Ground Parking update the Clerk is awaiting confirmation from TDC as to the date when the vehicle will be removed following the court order being served.

9. Grant Aid

To review and make decisions on the recommendations from the Grant Aid Working Group. Schedule had been previously circulated. Acceptance of all recommendations was Proposed by KW and Seconded by PW. All agreed. KW thanked all for their time.

Action: Clerk to notify applicants

10. Finance

- i) To agree the cheque list. Proposed by DW and Seconded by TD. All agreed.
- ii) Financial Summary MF reported that income is up on expected due to increased burial ground income.
- iii) Pension enrolment After considerable discussion it was agreed the Clerk will liaise with other Parish Clerks to ascertain how they and their Councillors are addressing the situation.

Action: Clerk

11. Chairman's announcements

i) Limpsfield Neighbourhood Plan nomination – The Chairman read a letter which has been received from Limpsfield Parish Council's Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group. It was agreed that the Clerk will be the point of contact and the Parish are happy to be consulted on issues and will respond to information as they feel appropriate.

Action: Clerk

- ii) Master Park roundabout CD confirmed that roundabout has been tidied and is an improvement. It was agreed the Clerk will obtain a price from ProGround for the continued maintenance of the roundabout.
 - It was further agreed the Clerk will contact County Councillor Nick Skellett regarding the lack of foundation for the kerb stones of the roundabout.

Action: Clerk

iii) Remembrance Day – The Chairman confirmed a letter has been received from the British Legion regarding the Remembrance parade on 13th November. It was agreed that the Vice Chairman will attend in Oxted North as the Chairman will be representing the District in Oxted South. A good turnout of Councillors are requested in both areas. Clerk to respond to the British Legion and order two wreaths.

Action: Clerk

12. <u>Highways</u>

It was reported that parkers are now being charged when parking in the station car park. The Clerk was requested to write to Piers Mason at TDC as the planning decision agreement was that this car park would be free parking after 10am and at weekends.

Action: Clerk

Cllr Blunden raised his concern of the danger of walking on Wolfs Hill. It was agreed SB would write to the Clerk for the issue to be raised with the County Councillor Cllr. Fisher reported that Oxted school pupils are being forced to walk in the road due to overgrowth from residents' gardens.

Action: Clerk to address

- **13.** <u>Clerk's report:</u> on actions taken since the last meeting had been previously circulated. The Chairman thanked the Clerk for her work.
 - The bird boxes for the Mighty Oaks were delivered on 12th July and will be made for installation in the burial ground in the Autumn.
- 14. Correspondence received: Circulated as received
- 15. Items for consideration at future meetings

Inclement weather Parish Watch system Neighbourhood Plan Wolfs Hill

Ended at 2116

Date of the next meeting Tuesday 13th September 2016 at 7.30pm Venue; The Meeting Room, The Community Hall, Church Lane, Oxted

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