

BRIGHTWELL-CUM-SOTWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting duly convened and held on 15th November 2016 at 7.30pm in the Church Room, Brightwell-cum-Sotwell

Present: Cllrs S. Robson(Chair), J. Debney, C. Collett, H. Baines, S. Jackson, D. Fox, G. Gillgrass and R. Neilsen.

In attendance: L. Dalby (Clerk), County Cllr L. Atkins and District Cllr J. Murphy.

1.	Apologies for Absence Apologies for absence were accepted from Cllr A. McGivan.
2.	Co-option of new member Graham Gillgrass was co-opted onto the Council and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office in the presence of the Clerk.
3.	Minutes of the meeting held on 18th October 2016 The minutes of the last meeting were agreed and signed by the Chairman.
4.	Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest. There were none.
5.	Public Participation There was none.
6.	Reports a) County Councillor's Report As I reported last month, the Inspector who carried out the independent Examination in Public of the County Councils Draft Minerals and Waste Plan has concluded that the target figure in the plan for minerals (including sand and gravel) is acceptable and will not be reduced. This was confirmed in an interim report following the Examination. I had hoped that those of us who attended and spoke at the Examination had made persuasive arguments that the figure was far too high, but we were clearly unsuccessful. The Plan will now be amended and updated to reflect various points raised and agreed at the Examination and in the Inspector's interim report. A final draft will be published on 17 th January and will then be considered by the OCC Cabinet at its meeting on 24 th January. There will then be a further period of statutory consultation on the Plan, before the Council decides whether or not to accept it. I will continue to work with OXAGE and other county councillors to try to ensure that the Plan is as effective as possible. The County Council has launched a public consultation with proposed options for daytime support for older people and adults with learning disabilities. This will run until 9am on Tuesday 20 December. A recommendation on the county council's future of daytime support and approach to delivering this will be made by Cabinet in January 2017, for a final decision by Council in February 2017. Information on the consultation and how to respond can be found at www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/daytimesupport . The aim of OCC is to have a council-provided, countywide, flexible Community Support Service, which people can choose to purchase using Personal Budgets or self-fund. This service would replace Health and Wellbeing Centres and Learning Disability daytime support services. It would support people with a wide range of needs for daytime support, including older people, people with learning disabilities, people with physical disabilities and people with dementia. It would provide transport integral to the service, to people eligible for

transport support.

The County Council is proposing two options for delivering this service:

Option A: Centre-based option for the Community Support Service

In this option, the service would be delivered from 8 dedicated buildings, including one in Wallingford. They would provide multi-functional spaces, and deliver individual and group support, using facilities available at the base, as well as in local communities. A higher proportion of support would be delivered at the bases than in the alternative option (B).

Option B: Mixed option for the Community Support Service

In this option, the service would be provided to four geographical areas in Oxfordshire (City, North, South and West). There would also be four small, building bases in Oxford, Banbury, Didcot and Witney, they would include spaces suitable for people who need specialist equipment to meet their complex health needs, rooms equipped for sensory integration work sessions, and spaces where people who need to have quiet time can do so in a safe, supportive environment. The majority of the service will be provided as a range of flexible options to people in their communities, including individual and group support. It would use various community facilities as bases where needed, such as libraries, leisure centres and allotments.

Some consultation with those affected has already taken place, including a discussion with 27 older people at Wallingford Health and Wellbeing Centre and there will be 3 meetings for stakeholders. The closest one to us will be from 10.30 to 12.30 at Didcot Civic Hall on 21st November.

I am also very pleased to be able to confirm to the Parish Council that Oxfordshire County Council pays £19.81 per hour for adult social care provision. This is the highest rate paid in the South East region, and above the minimum rate recommended by the United Kingdom Homecare Association. This reflects the importance OCC places on good home care for those who need it.

I have received information from Keep Britain Tidy who would love to have the support of councillors in the first of their national Great British Spring Cleans, which will be taking place across the long weekend of March 3rd - 5th, 2017. I'm not sure if that has been sent to the Town Council but would be happy to forward it on if it may be of interest.

Discussions about Unitary Authorities continue ...

The Waste Recycling Facilities will not be closing though opening hours may be reduced.

b) District Councillors' Report

Cllr Murphy reported that so many green bins were rejected during the first week of the new regulations that a further weeks amnesty has been agreed but letters have been sent to those who disregarded the rules.

Officer would be happy to discuss the Garden Town proposals with the Parish Council.

c) Clerk's Report

No report.

d) Planning Report

Ref	Description	PC Rec	Decision
P16/S2886/RM AMENDMENT	Application for reserved matters for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for one detached dwelling following outline planning permission P15/S1015/O The Manse, Bakers Lane	Approved	Approved
P16/S3361/HH	Replacement of all old windows and doors, alterations to some window and door apertures, lower garage roof ridge height, change garage doors; change drive hardstanding surface material. 12 Monks Mead	NSV	
P16/S1267/HH AMENDMENT	Demolition of existing detached residential annex, garage, and outbuildings. New 2 storey Entrance Wing (N). New 2 storey Living Room Wing (S). New 3 bay garage block annex with ancillary home office roof accommodation. Relocated access (Planning Permission: P15/S2702/HH). (as amended by plans reducing scale of garage to 3-bays, and as amplified by Arboricultural Impact Assessment received 13 October 2016) Haddon Orchard Sires Hill North Moreton	NSV	

e) November's Payments for approval

Payee and reason	£ detail	£ VAT	£ total
L. Dalby – Clerk's Salary and Expenses	568.66		568.66
HMRC - PAYE	74.60		74.60
TH Cooper – Grass Verge Cutting	625.00		625.00
L. Dalby – Ink cartridge	24.60		24.60
J. Debney – NP expenses	30.00		30.00
rCOH – NP Consultant			4273.87

f) Budget 2017/18

The budget for 2017/18 was discussed. It was agreed to include budgets for the refurbishment of the playground, an accounts package and further expenses for the Neighbourhood Plan.

7. **Matters for Discussion/Decision**

a) Donation Requests

Village Website – The web group requested £500 for the continued running of the village website. Cllr Collett proposed that £500 be donated. Seconded by Cllr Fox.

Carried 6 in favour with 2 abstentions.

It was agreed to ask if the web group could confirm that current website is the best value for money.

The Citizens Advice Bureau requested a donation for their work.

Cllr Jackson proposed £500 be donated. Seconded by Cllr Baines.

Carried 7 in favour with 1 abstention.

South and Vale Young Carers have requested a donation for their work. It was agreed to hold this over to next month.

Tennis Club for moss treatment – the Tennis Club have requested £240 for the removal of the moss on the courts. It was agreed to review the maintenance of the tennis courts.

b) Neighbourhood Plan

The Pre-submission report and associated paperwork are on the agenda for discussion and agreement on November 18th.

c) King's Meadow Safety Surface

The safety surface at King's Meadow is beginning to show signs of wear and tear particularly in one corner. The company who supplied the surface have quoted £600 + VAT to patch the corner with a slightly different shade of green.

It was agreed to review the replacement of the surface as a whole as part of the proposed play area refurbishment.

d) Shillingford Bus Service

Dorchester-on-Thames Parish Council have requested a donation towards the running of the Comet Bus stopping at Shillingford. It was agreed to donate up to £400 towards the costs.

e) Confirmation of 20mph Speed Limit

OCC have now approved the request for the 20mph limits. Cllr Fox will now review the other speed limits in the Parish.

f) Review of Parish Council Website

The documents page of the Parish Council website is problematic. Cllr Baines will review the website.

g) Village Map

The proposed village map will cost £120 to produce. Alterations to the map will cost £50.

Concerns were raised about the positioning of a map. It was agreed that paper maps available in the shop and pub along with a map on the website would be useful.

h) OCC Day time Support Consultation

Councillors were encouraged to respond to the consultation.

8. Matters for report and inclusion on December's Agenda

- Rugby posts
- The gulleys have been emptied and the pond has now filled up.
- The hedges on Bakers Lane and Sotwell Street are to be cut back.
- Confirmation of ownership of strip of land at Kings Meadow
- Thanks have been received for the donation for poppy wreaths and crosses.
- Cllr Collett requested permission to store the contents of the Community Association hampers in the Parish Office. Agreed.
- A new Parish Council trustee is required for the Fairthorne Memorial Trust.

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Council would take place on Tuesday 20th December 2016 at 7.30pm

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 9.35pm.