

Notice of
Meeting of the Parish Council on

Wednesday 19th July 2006

at 20:00 h

in

The Village Hall

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence
2. Declarations of interest
3. Minutes of previous meeting
4. Matters arising
5. Current tasks
 - RAF
 - State of roads
 - Housing needs survey
 - Parish plan
 - Health & Safety
6. Planning
7. District/County Councillors Reports
8. Correspondence (details attached for Councillors)
9. Accounts & administration
10. Any other business
11. Next meeting – 9th August 2006 8pm

Parish Clerk (phone 01491 837441

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Minutes of a meeting of Parish Councillors
held on Wednesday 14th June 2006

Present Neil Blake (NB) Dee Rosier (DR)
John Lockyer (JL) Sue Pryce Jones (SPJ)
Sue Hill (SH)

	Details	Action
1.	Apologies – Brian Benson, Peter Lemaire	
2.	Declaration of interests – none aware	
3.	Minutes – Agreed with one alteration	
4.	Matters arising –	
	• Village map – ongoing. NB/SH to use 1999 OS map as basis.	SH/NB
	• Councillors discussed how assets, such as maps can be stored/viewed/made publicly available. To be followed up.	SH/NB
	• Signs for Kings Pool. Terry Allsop doing.	SH
	• Emergency services map – deadline for comments end of June, so that it can be delivered with Ewelme News	SH/PL
	• Chiltern Society – NB to write to them as PC unhappy with relations between them and the village/Friends of Watercress Beds. NB awaiting info from the Society.	NB
5.	Current tasks –	
	RAF – PC had been sent a copy of a complaint to the base from Green Lane (see Correspondence) and the RAF response.	
	State of roads – SH and Tony Crabbe had sent report to OCC and had received a detailed response. Available for anyone who wishes to see it. SH to follow up on SID/volunteers. Letters had been written to OCC by residents for solving the drainage problem in the High St by The Terrace and for repairing the kerb by Cottesmore.	SH
	Affordable Housing – Special meeting for councillors on Thursday 22 nd at 7.30pm. No response had been received from the Ewelme News article.	ALL
	Parish plan – NB had new forms for next batch of funding. All agreed to go ahead with applying.	NB
	Health and safety – Tasks at the recreation area to be completed. “No Dogs” notice to go on play around fence. “No Dogs” circular sign needs revamping. Mr & Mrs Jay had reported that the seat in the pound was irreparable. JL asked again about repainting the basketball post.	SH SH SH SH
6.	Planning –	
	West Cottage, High Street – Erection of detached garage. Granted by SODC.	
	Linden House – Single storey rear extension. Granted by SODC.	
	The Old Rectory – Minor amendment to Boiler House removal. For info.	
	Land near 45-49 Green Lane – Erection of 10m telegraph pole structure with 1 internal antenna and 1 equipment cabinet and ancillary development. Refused by Parish Council due to lack of evidence to support increased coverage. Letters of objection received from 12 residents (in correspondence). PC to write to Orange so that they can justify increased coverage and that no further masts would be required. PC agreed that SC	

should call for the application to go to planning committee.

High House – Demolition of existing garage and dwelling. Erection of new dwelling, with associated parking and access. Refused by Parish Council since it was felt, although not against the plans in principle, that the changes made would have little effect on the dominance of the new property and that there needs to be more discussion re its positioning. It was also felt that this does not come under the brown field site legislation. Letters of objection received from residents (see correspondence). As PC had objected, the application will have to go to committee for discussion even if the planners are minded to approve.

7. District/County Councillors' Reports –

SC – After the water leak in May, SC had contacted Public Health, SODC who followed up the problem with the result that SC received a letter of apology from Thames Water and £20.

Jayne Bolton, Grants Manager, SODC, had asked SC to look into the play area grant application. Following much discussion it was decided that DR would test the gateway for wheelchair access, so that a wheelchair sign can be put in place. In addition, the wooden wall “seating” needs digging out behind to prevent rainfall making mud run over it, and a wooden seat putting on it. NB thanked SC for acting as an intermediary in a difficult situation.

DR

SH

8. Correspondence -

- OALC renew subscription – agreed
- OCC - Post Office account cards petition. SH to deal with.
- National trials office – Major changes to vehicular use of the Ridgeway National Trial.
- Thames Valley Police – Neighbourhood policing. All to read and respond. SH/NB had been invited to a meeting on 19th June. Awaiting details, both to respond.
- John Cooper, Green Lane – Complaint re overflying.
- RAF – response to above.
- Tony Crabbe – report to OCC re state of roads.
- OCC – Response to reports on state of roads
- Residents – 12 letters of objection to the Orange mast application.
- SODC – Water supply interruption
- Crowmarsh PC and Benson PC – supporting our letter re Clack's Lane

SH

SH

ALL
NB/SH

Meetings/consultations:

- Oxfordshire Fire Authority's Integrated Risk Management Action Plan 2006-7.
- Oxfordshire Rights of Way Improvement Plan 2006-2011
- Bus Strategy 2006-2011

9. Accounts & Administration –

Payments in: £72 (ads), £15 (pavilion hire)

Cheques signed at meeting: Corn Exchange (£100), clerk's wages (£199.21), Colourplus (£276.36), Ewelme Vill Hall (£15), Thames Water (£14.86), Paul Wyatt, churchyard (£158.63)

SH advised the council that the hall hire was being increased to £16.50 per session. SH presented the accounts to date to all.

10. AOB –

- NB had received a further letter from BT CEO's PA about ongoing

broadband denial to Ewelme residents. Response was thoroughly unsatisfactory and will be pursued. There are some 50 residents who want broadband but cannot obtain it. The issue is the shortage of adequate quality lines from the Wallingford exchange into the village.

- Land registry advisory – NB had checked and ownership of PC land is clear.

11. Meeting ended at 09.10 pm

12. Dates of next meeting – Wednesday 19th June 2006 at 8pm, village hall