

Notice of
Meeting of the Parish Council on

Wednesday 11th August 2004

at 20:00h
in
The Village Hall

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence
2. Declarations of interest
3. Minutes of previous meeting
4. Matters arising
5. Current tasks
 - Play area
 - RAF
 - State of roads
6. Planning
7. District Councillors Reports
8. Correspondence
9. Accounts & administration
10. Any other business
11. Next meeting – 8th September 2004 8pm

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Minutes of a Meeting of Parish Councillors

held on

Wednesday 14th July 2004

20:00h in the Village Hall

Present Brian Benson (BB)
John Lockyer (JL)
Dee Rosier (DR)
Sue Hill (SH)

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| 1. Details | |
| 1. Apologies – Neil Blake, Peter Lemaire, Sue Pryce Jones | |
| 2. Declaration of interests – DR – Kings Pool House planning. | |
| 3. Minutes – Non quorate therefore forwarded to next meeting. | |
| 4. Matters arising –
Carried over to next meeting as some tasks for those not present. | |
| 5. Current tasks –
Play area: SH was still awaiting a quote from Paul Wyatt re preparation of the kickwall site. Trevor Stewart had quoted for the wall in his original playarea quote. Stadhampton Parish Clerk had contacted us since they were planning new play equipment and liked the look of ours. Paul Wyatt had been reminded that the gate lock to the play area needed replacing. He had cleared the shrubbery at the rear of the play area.
RAF: There had been lots of night flying as the RAF are very involved in supporting units in Iraq, Bosnia, Kosovo etc. Some complaints had been made to the base about overflying residents and the flight paths had been immediately altered.
State of roads: SH had heard nothing from OCC re the footpath in Cat's Lane. SH to follow up. Problems for pedestrians because of parking on pavements around the village was raised. DR to do an article for Ewelme News. Parking problems around the school and outside Pre-school are still ongoing. JL suggested that we send leaflets on sensible/safe parking to the school for giving out to parents. He had given out some of the PC notices after having had received several complaints and witnessing dangerous parking. Ian Wood suggested that we should offer a solution to school e.g. alternative parking. After much discussion it was decided that SH should arrange a meeting with the new Head Teacher at school to discuss the problem and to find a solution. This should be planned for the first week of next term and should include Councillors, PC Gibson and representatives from Pre-school. | BB |
| 6. Planning – <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4 Britwell Road – Lawful development certificate application. Refused by SODC. Mr Wood attended meeting and explained that refusal was related to the garage already taking up the allowed building area. Councillors were surprised since it was felt that the garages were built at the same time as the houses. | SH
DR |

- Kings Pool House - Demolition of rear lean to extension on house. Erection of single storey rear extension and first floor rear extension to house. Internal alterations to provide additional bathrooms. New pitched roofs to garage and outbuilding. Extension and new roof to garden annexe. Planning permission and listed building consent given by SODC.
- Ewelme Lodge – Erection of a single storey timber shed. Application withdrawn.
- Dayspring Cottage, High Street – Erection of a single storey extension. Granted by SODC.
- Oakley Wood, Grundons - Non-compliance with condition 9 and 10 of the planning permission to allow a further 12 months to complete filling to approved contours and subsequent restoration. Councillors had no observations.
- Ewelme Lodge - Provision of an oil storage tank to rear of garage. Councillors had no strong views
- Kings Pool House - Replacement glasshouse 2.9 x 5.1 metres, erected on brick and constructed in powder coated aluminium finished in green. Councillors had no strong views.

7. District Councillor's Report –

Sue Cooper

SODC had decided to start charging for parking in the Watlington car park. The initial hour of parking would be free; however, people working in the village were not very happy about it. The charging would be for a 6 month trial period.

The service provided to the district by Throwers street cleaners had been assessed by SODC and had deemed to be 'fair'. In their contract cleaning was allowed to be less frequent in rural than in more populated areas, it was hoped that this could be altered for future contracts. All agreed that public education in reducing litter would be the best way forward.

Didcot town centre was having an arts centre built, although there were several issues with the look of it and the pruning down of the plans due to reduced budget.

BB questioned the future of car parking in Wallingford and how much control the District Council had over the provision of car parking. He was concerned that people wishing to stay in the town for more than 2h would have little or no where to park.

Felix Bloomfield - no report.

8. Correspondence

ROSPA - Post installation inspection report. For info. Decisions on whether a litter bin should be placed in the play area deferred to next meeting. Notices to be followed up by NB. Photos of opening to be sent to the children involved (BB).

Sue Cooper - Copy of letter re garages and planning permission to all.

SODC - Monitoring the New Ethical framework. SH to complete.

Lyon Seary - Response to traffic at fete letter. For info

Dr Smith, The Manor House - Response to letter re trimming hedge by bus stop. For info

Linda Chilcott, Willow House, High St - Copy of letter to Chiltern Society re her opposition to the use of black liner on the watercress

ALL

NB

BB

bed. Sue Cooper and Felix Bloomfield were to attend a meeting with Chiltern Society and Mrs Chilcott to discuss a way forward.

OCC – OCC propose erecting 2 “School” signs on either side of village hall and “SLOW” markings alongside on road. Councillors agreed and suggested SH contact OCC to confirm positioning of signs.

SODC – Response to letter re accuracy of planning applications. For info **SH**

OCC, Bridleways Officer - Response to our letter. She will be contacting landowner to discuss a way of alleviating the problem.

9. Accounts & Administration –

Cheques received: £144 (Ewelme News ads)

Invoices paid: Paul Wyatt (£752), BT (£49.47), SODC dog bins (£114.10), Clerk (£187.50), ORCC subscription (£20), Trevor Stewart Play Equipment (£9867.50)

10. Any other business –

A street named after Nalay

BB suggested that Council should look into naming the road to the new houses on the dairy depot when development begins. **SH**

Common

There is a post missing from the verge along the common. SH to ask Paul Wyatt to replace.

JL reminded everyone that there is now a booking system for use of the pavillion/common facilities and that people should contact JL on 824541 to book. He also reported that the footballers had not yet given any payment for usage, but he would keep an eye on this.

Bus service

JL had contacted OCC re the changes to the timetables. Residents had expressed concerns about the usefulness of the new service. Sue Cooper informed Councillors of the suggested Dial-a-Ride service planned for September. This would be at off-peak times, using one of **SH**

the small buses that is part of the Oxford Tube link service to Lewknor. SH to write to OCC to let them know that we would be very keen to have an extra service in Ewelme and support their idea, copy to RB. **SH**

Outstanding planning issues

SH to write to SODC re outstanding planning issues.

Ewelme News

Deadline for copy for the September issue is 19th August.

SPJ and DR had already informed Council that they would be unable to attend the next meeting. Since there had not been a quorum of Councillors at the last two meetings it was agreed that if anyone else were unable to attend then the August meeting would be cancelled. **SH**
SH to let everyone know if that was the case.

Play area

One of the residents stated that they disliked the changes done to the rear of the play area and were unhappy about the bonfire having been left. Councillors explained that they had been asked to make the changes for safety reasons when the play area had been inspected and advisors were looking at the area for replacing the equipment. The bonfire had been made safe before contractor left the site at 7.30pm.

11. Meeting ended at 9.30pm

12. Date of next meeting – 11th August 2004 at 8pm in the Village Hall

