

**BECKLEY AND STOWOOD PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES FOR THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**ON THURSDAY 4th APRIL 2019 AT 8.00 PM**  
**AT BECKLEY VILLAGE HALL, WOODPERRY ROAD, OX3 9UZ**  
**MEETING NUMBER 04.04.2019**

**Present:** Cllr David Scott (Chair)  
Cllr Michael Soanes (Vice Chair)  
Cllr Chris Cox  
Cllr Ginette Camps-Walsh  
Cllr Vivienne Rust  
District Cllr John Walsh (from 8.35 pm)  
County Cllr Tim Bearder (from 8.45 pm)  
Clerk – Sue Cox

1. **Apologies for Absence:** None received.
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None declared.
3. **Matters raised by Members of the Public:** Mike Hobbs came to the meeting to inform the PC about changes that are proposed in the NHS. General Practices could come together to serve larger groups and Islip Practice may join up with Kidlington and Woodstock Practices. Islip Surgery communicates with its patients directly and the PPG is an active vehicle for communication. Request to the PC for support with communication via notice boards and the website. The PPG would like to recruit patient members and/or parish council members to the group. The PC were happy to support all local GP practices on our notice boards and website. Mike Hobbs is currently the Beckley and Stowood link but needs a person who is interested to be the Beckley PPG representative. Engagement of older people in the villages and how to do so is an ongoing problem. The Good Neighbour Scheme provides transport to the pub and to Islip Medical Practice. The PC agreed in principle to support Islip Surgery and to put information on the website and notice boards. The PC cannot support just one surgery but as Islip have come to us, we will try to help them with publicity. Need to get the momentum within the community. Mike Hobbs left at 8.25 pm.
4. **To receive a report from County Councillor Tim Bearder (at 8.45 pm):** A new lorry park is being built at J8 services and topsoil is available to Parish Councils, or it will all go to Woodeaton Quarry. The topsoil can be given to communities and reseeded is a possibility. Email from Cllr Bearder to follow.

5. **To receive a report from District Councillor John Walsh (at 8.40 pm):** Nominations for District Councillors are in and there are three candidates for our Ward. There will not be an election for the parish council as it was uncontested. 71 villages out of 85 were uncontested.
6. **Minutes from previous meeting:** held on Thursday 7th March 2019 were approved and signed by the Chairman.
7. **Matters arising from previous minutes:** None.
8. **Planning Correspondence Received:**

Planning Applications:                      None received.

Planning Decisions:

**P19/S0435/FUL**                                      **Oxford Crematorium, Bayswater Road, near Barton, OX3 9RZ**  
 Remodelling and infilling to extend the chapel and a new canopy and covered link. Reworking of the funeral vehicle circulation path.  
**Planning Permission on 26th March 2019**

**P18/S4228/FUL**                                      **Ten Acre Farm, New Inn Road, Beckley, OX3 9SS**  
 Conversion of an existing stable building to form 2 x 1-bed holiday let accommodation.  
**Planning Permission on 7th March 2019**

**P19/S0048/HH**                                      **The Grange, Woodperry Road, Beckley, Oxfordshire, OX3 9UY**  
 Proposed demolition of conservatories, forming loft conversion including provision of roof light and a dormer, internal alterations and alterations to the external openings. (as amended by drawing nos 298-01 Rev A, 298-04 Rev A, 298-07 Rev A and 298-10 Rev A to amend external finish to North elevation and Dormer received on 6 February 2019).  
**Planning Permission on 12th March 2019**

## 9. Correspondence Received:

### For Action/Response:

- Moore Stephens - Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2018/19 – Part 3 – by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019 – *Clerk to complete the Audit*
- Emergency Planning OCC - 2019 Community Emergency Planning Survey – *Clerk to complete the survey*
- Stanton St John PC – SODC Local Plan – possible meeting in May with surrounding villages – Horton-cum-Studley, Forest Hill, Elsfield, Stanton St John and Beckley – *Cllr Camps-Walsh will attend the meeting*
- Planning, SODC – Stage One Complaint regarding The Beeches, Woodperry Road, Beckley – *PC to write to Chief Executive and ask for complaint to be investigated further.*

### For Info:

- Democratic Services SODC – reminder for nomination forms by 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019
- Healthwatch Oxfordshire – March Briefing Newsletter
- Cllr Tim Bearder – Woodeaton Quarry Liaison Group Meeting Report
- OALC March Update for Member Councils
- David Turner, Chair - Next NAG Meeting – Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2019 at Chalgrove Village Hall
- Highways England – Notification of road closures: A34/M4 junction 13 Chieveley (West Berkshire) – bridge refurbishment and surface reconstruction
- Oxford City Council – Oxford Local Plan 2036 – Statement of Submission and Availability of Documents for Inspection
- Thame and Wheatley Ramblers – poster for April to June 2019
- The Mix 96 Tour de Vale Charity Bike Ride on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2019
- Keep Britain Tidy – Will your Town or Parish Council join our Great British Spring Clean?
- Cllr Tim Bearder – Dogs Bins
- Calor Rural Community Fund – Win £5,000 for your community – Rural Community Fund open for applications to 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019
- SODC – Local Elections 2019 – information from South Oxfordshire District Council
- OCC – The Ridgeway 2019 Events Calendar
- CPRE – Didcot from village to garden town – a talk on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2019

**10. Payments and Accounts:** cheques/DD to be considered for payment in April:

10.04.19	NEST Pension	£14.52	DD
31.03.19	HMRC – PAYE – NIC due 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	£15.72	chq
31.03.19	Ron Jones – mole control for March	£60.00	chq
31.03.19	JTW Cox Farms – snow clearing – February	£204.00	chq
31.03.19	Chapman Worth – Payroll and NEST support to 31.3.19	£258.00	chq
31.03.19	Parchments Print – Spring Newsletter 2019	£409.54	chq
01.04.19	OALC – Annual Subscription 2019/20	£138.97	chq
01.04.19	Community First Oxfordshire – membership 2019/20	£55.00	chq
01.04.19	Oxfordshire Playing Fields Association – membership 2019	£42.00	chq
01.04.19	SLCC – membership for Clerk 2019/20	£136.00	chq
01.04.19	ALCC – membership for Clerk 2019/20	£40.00	chq
28.04.19	Clerk – April wages and Expenses	£835.02	chq
04.04.19	Adrian Hampshire – reimbursement website expenses	£59.94	chq

**11. To receive a Village Hall Update from Cllr Scott to include additional works:**

- Quote for gravel for village hall car park – quote to go to BVHMC on 17.4.19 who have offered to contribute 50%. Agenda item for May.

**12. To receive updates on The Oxford to Cambridge Expressway:** Ann Henman is organising a meeting for Beckley – 26<sup>th</sup> April – further information TBC. Horton-cum-Studley have a No Expressway group. Beckley is working with SaveOtmoor group. OCC are not against the scheme in principle and the A34 needs improvement. The John Howell meeting was postponed due to Brexit. OCC amended a motion to call for a consultation but this is not likely to happen.

**13. To receive an update on the Neighbourhood Development Plan for Beckley and Stowood from Cllr Ginette Camps-Walsh:** Our plan needs finalising with the help of a consultant. The Plan could go to the Inspector in the autumn, after the SODC Local Plan has been decided. Team to advertise for more people to join the NDP group. Defining the village boundary will need the help of a consultant who could also take the lead in finishing the project. The report for the Local Plan is due out between Autumn and Christmas, this could delay the completion of the neighbourhood plan for another year if sections have to be re-written. Agreed to explain the process and delays to the village in the next newsletter.

**14. To receive a feedback report on The Otmoor Flyer meeting on 27.3.19:** The Chairman and Clerk attended the January meeting of OFOG and the Clerk attended the March meeting. Pensioners no longer receive a bus pass that can be used on the Comet, there are concerns passenger numbers might drop if fares are increased. The PC supports the Otmoor Flyer Bus, and hopes more people in the village will use it to get value from the PCs contribution to its running costs.

15. **To receive any Fix My Street problems for the Clerk to report:** None.
16. **To consider a date for the Clerk's Annual Appraisal:** Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2019.
17. **To receive a Visual Playground Inspection Report from Cllr Michael Soanes and:**
- Playdale – week commencing 8<sup>th</sup> April 2019 – repairs to playground
  - Playdale – quote for play bark £3,703 plus VAT – quotes for May agenda
  - Fence panel around playground – Cllr Soanes to re-attach the panel at the weekend.
  - Zipwire weeds – Clerk to contact Robert Green
18. **To discuss recent burglaries in Beckley:** Thames Valley Police have provided a newsletter for the Clerk to upload to the village website.
19. **To confirm dates of meetings in 2019:**
- Annual Open Parish Meeting – Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2019 at 7.30 pm – *Clerk to send a village email reminder nearer the time.*
  - Bonfire/Firework Night Sat 02 Nov – booked hall, fireworks and first aid.
20. **Date of Next Meetings:**
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019 – Local Elections – Beckley Village Hall Polling Station
  - Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 8.00 pm at Beckley Village Hall
  - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at 8.00 pm at Beckley Village Hall
21. **AOB:**
- Declaration of Acceptance forms – these can be signed at the June meeting if any Cllrs are unavailable at the May meeting.
  - Party Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April – PC received concerned emails from residents.
  - Expressway signs – to consider whether to put up the new red and black signs at each entrance to the village?

**Meeting closed at 9.25 pm.**

**Circulation:**

All Parish Councillors

County Cllr Tim Bearder

District Cllr John Walsh

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