

SHEET NUMBER 36

Minutes of a Meeting of Tackley Parish Council held in Tackley Village Hall on Monday 19th October 2009 at 7.00 p.m.

Present:

Councillor June Collier (Chairman)

Councillor Paul Joslin (Vice Chairman)

Councillors Jim Howard, Robert Clow, Richard Banbury, Bill Denver, Robin Gibbons, District

Councillor Charles Cottrell-Dormer

09/081 APOLOGIES

County Councillor Ian Hudspeth will be late
Parish Clerk (Ill)

09/082 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

09/083 GREEN STREETS

Mrs J. Withers outlined the background of this project sponsored by British Gas. Following a trail run last year £2m was launched across England in 14 areas. St. Nicholas Warmer Welcome Appeal Committee suggested Tackley put in a bid, which resulted in Tackley being on a shortlist for the Southern Regions and eventually succeeding to represent the area in the national competition. This was achieved following the Village Questionnaire and the representations by Mrs J. Withers, Councillor Richard Banbury and Mr. D. Kydd. The total bid of £137,000 could benefit the village as set out in the attached. (Appendix 1)

Surplus energy generated would be sold to the National Grid at 3 times its value. Details will be put in the next Newsletter by Mrs J. Withers. The Chairman congratulated and thanked those involved in the project so far. More meetings will be set up once British Gas have co-ordinated the results of the national bids.

09/084 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings held on 7th and 22nd September 2009 had been circulated to all Parish Councillors. It was proposed by Councillor Richard Banbury, seconded by Councillor Paul Joslin that the minutes be signed as a true record of the meeting.

09/085 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR MATTERS

District Councillor Charles Cottrell-Dormer had nothing to report apart from:-

- A change of contractor for the Woodstock bus service from JH to Heyfordian and that although there will be a slight change of timetable it will be nothing significant. The Oxford Stagecoach X59 service is unaffected.
- Nameplate in Lime Kiln Road has still not been repaired. Clerk to take urgent action.

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09/086 PLANNING MATTERS

09/1287/P/FP - 44a St Johns Road – Observations from Councillors include:

- A check on the main rising sewer line should be made;
- The conditions set out following the original application stated that the car park should not be adapted;
- There is only 1 parking space for each of the present developed houses
- This was a sly way of applying for Planning Permission;
- Two of the windows look directly into the classrooms of the school;
- There would be a loss of several general amenities.

Following discussion Councillor Bill Denver proposed and Councillor Richard Banbury seconded that the Parish Council object outright. All agreed.

The Chairman read a letter from Mr L. Summers also objecting to the proposal. Mr H. Jones also stated objections for planning reasons and that parking needs two spaces per household. He was assured by Councillor Bill Denver that the School Governors were aware of the proposals. Mr T. Chapple quoted Planning Regulations stating that infilling is allowed but rounding off is not. District Councillor Charles Cottrell-Dormer stated that there could be a site visit by the Planning Committee.

09/086 PARISH AMENITIES

- Bus Stops – there are to be new bus stops and flags on individual silver poles throughout the village. After a recent walkabout by representatives of Tackley Parish Council, Stagecoach, Police and Oxfordshire County Council Highways the siting of these stops was agreed. Extra official stops will be 2 at Sturdys Castle (northbound and southbound), 1 at the Green (southbound), two at the Village Hall (northbound and southbound). The array of signage on the Little Green will be modified.

County Councillor Ian Hudspeth arrived.

09/087 COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS

County Councillor Ian Hudspeth reported that:-

- Planning Permission had been refused for the construction of waste incinerators at Ardley and in the South of the County.
- A different budget is soon to be decided.
- The street light in Ball Lane is still not working, County Council to action.

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- Despite press and other objections he indicated that the 20mph speed limit appears to be working but will take time to assess.
- When the new path on the playing field is complete the Chairman will thank those involved.

09/088 PARISH AMENITIES CONT'D

- Councillor Robin Gibbons reports no co-operation from the relevant offices of Network Rail other than a note saying there is no intention to install traffic lights at the level crossing. Clerk to circulate details of this to MP David Cameron, Chief Executive of White Horse District Council and County Councillor Ian Hudspeth. County Councillor Ian Hudspeth reports the Oxfordshire County Council traffic officer is still off sick so he would like to be involved in the proposed meeting with David Cameron MP, Chief Executive of White Horse District Council and panel representatives .

From the floor both Mr H. Jones and Mr L. Summers reported near misses on the crossing in recent weeks.

County Councillor Ian Hudspeth and District Councillor Charles Cottrell-Dormer leave the meeting.

- Childrens Play Area – The Pre-School would like to be involved in looking into the possible grant for this area but at present with the moving of site they are too busy. The Parent Teacher Association is practically non-existent. Councillor Bill Denver will ask the school but he is not hopeful.
- A quote of £80 to repair the swings has been accepted and actioned.
- Sewerage system – following a recent blockage and overflow a letter to be sent to Thames Water urging a proper cleaning of the pipes to the pumping station.
- Councillor Paul Joslin has removed the graffiti from the bus shelter. The graffiti on the phone booth has also been removed. The broken slate on the roof to be replaced. Chairman to contact Mike Bishop.
- Letter to be sent to Tackley Village Hall asking them to discard the broken table on the playing field.
- A white van remains parked seemingly permanently on the Lower Hades lay-by.
- It was agreed to pass information regarding allotments to the requestee.
- Request by Ms. Rosie Wyatt to temporarily park her car in the village hall was sanctioned.
- Request by Pre-School to temporarily install roadway on playing field to access lifting gear sanctioned.

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09/089 FINANCIAL MATTERS

The following invoices have been received:-

- Oxfordshire County Council £50.00
- Courtstall Services Limited £278.00
- Green Scythe £740.59

Councillor Paul Joslin proposed that the above be ratified for payment. Councillor Jim Howard seconded. All agreed.

09/090 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

None

09/091 OTHER MATTERS

- Playing field gates not yet sold.
- Hedge next to new pillar in playing field to be reinstated.
- Councillor Paul Joslin reported increase in the number of complaints regarding aircraft flying over Tackley. New name of "London Oxford" for the airport. Proposals afoot for flights to European Capitals.
- 30mph sign in Rousham Road vandalised. Clerk to report to Oxfordshire County Council.

09/092 MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR

None

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30 p.m.

Signed

Date