

SHEET NUMBER 01

Minutes of a meeting of Tackley Parish Council held in Tackley Village Hall on Monday 25th January 2010 at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Councillor June Collier (Chairman)
Councillors Robert Clow, Richard Banbury, Jim Howard and Robin Gibbons

10/001 - APOLOGIES

Councillor Paul Joslin (Vice Chairman)

10/002 - MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 15th December 2009 had been circulated. Councillor Jim Howard requested that the following amendment be made to item 09/107 – Other Matters, the last line should read meeting on 25th January not 26th January. It was proposed by Councillor Robert Clow and seconded by Councillor Richard Banbury that the Minutes be signed as a true record of the meeting. All in favour.

10/003 - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

10/004 - LITTER BIN/PLAY POLICY (PLAYBUILDERS GRANT)

Councillor June Collier requested that the above items be moved up the Agenda in order to allow Jack Sale, Dawn Evans and Clare Rusher to speak on the above subjects in order that they did not sit through the meeting.

- Litter Bin – Councillor June Collier read out a letter from Jack Sale and Emma Kerry, members of the Tackley Primary School Eco Club, who had completed a litter tidy-up at the school and surrounding area. The letter requested that a litter bin be placed on the lane between St. John's Road and the Village Hall. As the Parish Council had already put forward this request to West Oxfordshire District Council without success it was agreed that the Eco Club would write to them. If this requested was refused the Parish Council agreed to consider providing a litter bin on the proviso that the Eco Club draw up a rota for emptying the bin on a guaranteed regular basis.

Councillor Richard Banbury requested that the Eco Club put a note in the newsletter to draw peoples attention to the proper disposal of litter and Councillor Robert Clow asked if they could also include a note relating to the correct procedure for disposing of dog mess.

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- Play Policy (Playbuilders Grant) – Dawn Evans report that she and Clare Rusher had met with Howie Watkins from Oxfordshire County Council . They have now drawn up a note detailing the scheme and a timetable which will be forwarded to the Parish Clerk for circulation to Councillors. The Village Hall is to be used for a consultation with children on 13th February and Clare Rusher asked if the Parish Council would be prepared to fund this booking. Councillor Richard Banbury proposed that the Village Hall was booked as a Parish Council booking and this was seconded by Councillor Jim Howard.

Jack Sale, Dawn Evans and Clare Rusher left the meeting at 7.23 p.m.

10/005 DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS

- Councillor Robert Clow expressed his concerns regarding the doubling up of names on the recently issued copy of the electoral role. Clerk to write to West Oxfordshire District Council to ascertain whether there is a reason for this duplication.
- The nameplate at Lime Kiln Road has still not been erected. Clerk to write to West Oxfordshire District Council to ask why the sign has not been erected as the last correspondence stated that this would be done by end of December.

10/006 PLANNING MATTERS

- 10/0039/P/FP - 68 Rousham Road – Erection of two storey rear extension. No objection was raised to this application. Clerk to notify West Oxfordshire District Council of decision.
- APP/D3/25A 10/219779/WF - Land adjacent to 44a St. John's Road – Erection of one and a half storey detached dwelling and formation of access (APPEAL). Councillors reiterated their previous comments with regard to this application appeal. Councillors queried whether the original planning application had been fulfilled. Councillor June Collier to speak to District Councillor Charles Cottrell-Dormer to request that the matter be investigated on behalf of Tackley Parish Council.

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10/007 PARISH AMENITIES

- Councillor Robert Clow requested that the possibility of providing three extra grit bins at Balliol Close, The Ridge and Nethercote Road between the far end of St. John's Road and Chaundy Road, be investigated. Clerk to write to Oxfordshire County Council to request the supply, erection and stocking of these extra bins.
- The Clerk had received a request for funding from Green Streets Projects. Councillor Richard Banbury proposed and Councillor Robin Gibbons seconded that the Parish Council donate £150.00 towards costs to-date provided that receipts were provided for this sum. All Councillors in favour, apart from Councillor Robert Clow who abstained.
- Play Policy – Clerk to write to Jeremy Spafford at the Oxfordshire Play Partnership to ask whether having a policy in place would have any impact on the Playbuilders Grant application.
- Annual Car Park Review – Councillor June Collier has written to Fergals requesting that white lines be painted on the sleeping policeman and requesting a date for the annual inspection. Councillor June Collier to contact Fergals again to request a date as she has received no response to her email.
- The brook at the rear of the playing field needs cleaning out. Clerk to contact Johnny Schicht requesting a quote for this work.
- ROSPA Report – The Parish Council received a good report from ROSPA with regard to the play area. Although no equipment needs immediate attention, maintenance to links is required. Clerk to contact Hillcrest Gardens to ask them to undertake the work.
- Councillor Robert Clow has been approached by Mrs Taplin with regard to Parish footpaths. Mrs Taplin would like to borrow some minute books. All Councillors agreed that this would be acceptable.
- There was an overflow in the main sewer in St. John Road which Thames Water quickly rectified.

10/008 - MATTERS OF FINANCE

- The following invoices have been received:-
 - Green Scythe Ltd. £80.50 (CN 101159)
 - Linda Jones £254.75 (CN 101161)
 - Ron Varney £218.50 (CN 101162)

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A payment has also been made for the Public Works Loan of £4,345.60

Councillor Richard Banbury proposed that the above be ratified for payment. Councillor Robin Gibbons seconded. All in favour.

- Councillor Richard Banbury proposed that the renewal fee of £32.00 for the Oxfordshire Playing Fields Association membership be paid. This was seconded by Councillor Robin Gibbons and all were in favour.

County Councillor Ian Hudspeth joined the meeting at 8.03 p.m.

10/009 COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS

- Councillor Jim Howard stated that the hashed yellow lines outside Tackley Primary School required re-painting. County Councillor Ian Hudspeth said that he would request that these are looked at.
- County Councillor Ian Hudspeth explained the Cabinet Report on the Recent Severe Weather Incident which had been circulated to Councillors. He explained that Tackley is not on the 1s and 2s list, but that a snowplow should come through as soon as possible. The weather conditions this time, however, were so severe that they were left constantly dealing with roads on the 1s and 2s list and were unable to deal with more minor issues, hence the delay in clearing the road into Tackley, which they would normally have done within a couple of days.
- County Councillor Ian Hudspeth reported that one million pounds has currently been set aside for additional road repairs and that if the Parish Council had any concerns with regard to the roads in the Parish to contact the Oxfordshire County Council's North Area Highways Team via email. The Clerk report that they had already been contacted and that an inspection would be made of the roads by the Highways Inspector.
- Councillor Robert Clow asked County Councillor Ian Hudspeth if he was able to provide any clarification with regard to the legislation regarding the clearing of footpaths outside parishioners houses. County Councillor Ian Hudspeth agreed that this was an issue which needed better clarification.

10/010 MATTERS OF ADMINISTRATION

None

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10/011 OTHER MATTERS

- Ox Nag – Mark Crocker has agreed to join the Ox Nag Committee and represent the Parish Council with immediate effect. Clerk to contact Councillor Paul Joslin with regard to a note giving contact details etc. being placed in the Tackley Newsletter.
- Councillor Robin Gibbons stated that concern had been expressed to him over the Village Hall been let so that various village groups/clubs were unable to obtain historic bookings. Clerk to write to Village Hall Committee expressing these concerns.
- It has been ten years since a photograph of the Parish Council was taken and Councillor Robin Gibbons will contact Anthony Bryson to see if he would be prepared to take a photograph at the next Parish Council meeting.
- Councillor June Collier suggest that a note from the Parish Council should be placed in the Tackley Newsletter to thank all those who help the community during the adverse weather conditions. Clerk to send a note for inclusion in the next edition.
- Councillor Robin Gibbons stated that they now had a contact person for Network Rail and that a meeting would be held in due course.

10/012 MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR

None

Meeting closed 8.25 p.m.

Signed

Date