

HOLTON PARISH COUNCIL

The February meeting of Holton Parish Council was held in Holton Village Hall on Monday 13th February 2017 starting at 7.30 pm.

Present:

Chairman Anthony Yeates
Vice-Chairman Robert Barter
Councillor Allan East
Councillor Roger Farrow
Councillor Brian Pridmore
Parish Clerk Sonja Barter

Also present: Michael Tyce (CPRE) Anne Purse (County Councillor) John Walsh (District Councillor),

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Michael Tyce informed the Parish Council of the Green belt issues concerning developments around Oxford city and the local issues concerning the Oxford Brookes campus. He stressed that pressure should be put on the District Council to leave the Brookes site in the Green belt and show that the area is a valuable local amenity.

Anne Purse advised on the proposed Oxford /Cambridge express way and the various routes under consideration.

The Maple Tree Children's Centre in Wheatley has received County Council funding. A40 repair works have been approved and this could include a quiet surface for the local stretch of the A40.

John Walsh advised on the One Unitary Council proposals put forward by The Vale, South Oxfordshire and the County Council. Local Plan likely to be available for consultation in March 2017. Signs are that the District Council will uphold the Green Belt.

1. Apologies:

2. To confirm the Minutes of the Meetings of the Council held on **Monday 9th January and Monday 16th January 2017 which had been circulated to all councillors before the meeting**

Proposed by Robert Barter
Seconded by Roger Farrow

All agreed

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

Notice Board – Allan East has this in hand

CIL payment in relation to the development at Home Close to be monitored and a CIL guidance notes circulated to Parish Councillors.

Draft Policy on awarding Section 137 grant aid – This was approved by the Parish Council and Roger Farrow will prepare a final draft for adoption at the next meeting. Orchard Mowing Contract out for tender.

Website – Further research into suitable methods of designing and hosting a Parish Council website.

4. Traffic Road and Highway Matters

Walk the Village Saturday 11th February 2017. A small number of volunteers tackled overhanging branches.

Holton Litter Blitz and Cut back of overgrowth to be organised for Saturday 22nd April 2017.

5. Financial Matters

a. Accounts submitted for Payment

Clerk's Salary - February	346.33
Clive Laman Village Maintenance January	120.00
Holton Village Hall hire 9 th January 2017	13.00
Claire Logic Eset Security Renewal 3 yr. PC Laptop	38.47
Mike Oxlade - Freeparking Domain registration	52.30

b.	Deposit	6426.17
	Current	1017.75

c. HMRC Payments of £363.97 and £355.75

HMRC have been notified of payment errors – letter dated 21 September 2016.

No response

d. Holton Parish Council Risk Assessment

Copies of the Risk Assessment were circulated prior to the meeting and it was agreed that all possible measures are taken to ensure that all risks are covered. The minutes are fully backed up and cloud storage will be implemented as a further safeguard..

It was proposed by Anthony Yeates and seconded by Allan East that the Clerk's Report be accepted and the Accounts paid.

All Agreed

6. District/County Councillors

Covered under OPEN FORUM

7. Neighbourhood Plan.

16 February – Final meeting of workshops to determine policy statements.

22 February WNP review draft of WNP text for endorsement and agreement.

End Feb. WNP reps to meet with OCC.

End Feb/March WNP reps meet with SODC.

End Feb/March Share draft NP with WPC and HPC members.

March/April 6 week statutory consultation with the community.

? May Draft WNP plus Consultation comments submitted to Independent Examiner.

8. South Oxfordshire Local Plan

The next intended consultation on the Local Plan - March 2017.

9. Oxford Brookes

Workshop with Brookes Planning Consultants and local representatives on February 6th – useful meeting. The Planning Consultants are looking at a development of the whole site and are carrying out a scoping exercise to determine what would need to be considered if a development was to go ahead. The status of the site regarding the Greenbelt has not been as yet decided. But the Planning Consultants are looking for evidence to support the whole site being treated as an exception in the Green belt.

10. Planning Applications

P17/SO400/AG. Old Park Farm, Holton. OX33 1PZ.

Proposed additional cattle building.

No comments.

P17/SO301/LDP. Ashfield House, Holton. OX33 1PS.

Construction of new roof dormer to rear of the property. (Lawful development permission).

No comments.

11. Planning Decisions (South Oxfordshire District Council)

P16/S3964/FUL Old Park Farm, Holton. OX33 1PX.

Erection of cattle and straw building (Retrospective)

Granted

P16/S4162/FUL. Oxford Brookes University, Waterperry Road, Holton, OX33 1HX

The development consists of single storey portable kitchens linked together to form a small scale temporary catering complex – linked to the existing kitchen on the Campus.

Granted

P16/S4257/FUL. Land north of London Road, Wheatley. Alterations to existing southern boundary wall including reduction in height.

Withdrawn

12. Reports

Holton Village Hall Management Meeting February report:

7 Replacement windows installed.. Second film night on February 3rd (Paddington) another successful evening. Trivia Quiz 10 March. Gardens Open 4 June. Holton Players Play/Supper in April.

13. Publications/Letters and forthcoming events

Oxford Brookes Residents' Meeting 15 February.

One Oxfordshire 22 February Witney

Road Safety Group 1 March.

Correspondence from The High Sheriff of Oxfordshire re. Carers.

14. Items for discussion and/or referral to a future meeting:

Request to purchase 10/12 more Hi viz vests for litter pickers etc.

Purchase more litter picker sticks if needed.

15. Date of next meeting. The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 13th March 2017 starting at 7.30 pm in Holton Village Hall Committee Room.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.40pm.