

# Wheatley Parish Council

## Parish Council Meeting 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018

**Present:** Cllrs Bell (RB), P Bignell (PB), A Cooper (AC), P Gregory (PG), P Harrison (PH), P Hood (PHo), D Lamont (DL) (Chair), A Sercombe (AS), L Tully (LT), P Willmott (PW)

**Officer:** Michelle Legg, Clerk to the Parish Council (Clerk)

**Members of Public:** approx. 3 including Liz Wickens, David Locke - Littleworth Playing Field Working Group.

No	Item	Action
29.	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> – Cllr Harding, Street,	
30.	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b> – Cllr Lamont - Wheatley Playing Field Trust Cllr Willmott – Wheatley Playing Field Trust and Wheatley Rugby Club	
31.	<b>MINUTES AND ACTIONS FROM</b> Parish Council meeting on Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2018 previously circulated and were signed as a true record of the meeting once amendments to the Minutes 1 & 3-2018/19 were amended to show that the election of Chair and Vice Chair was uncontested so no vote took place. Revised to say that the Open session took place after ‘suspending’ standing orders  Minutes 19 No response from Cllr Newman, Clerk to chase SODC officers again and to escalate if required. Minutes 8i) Clerk still to meet with D Harverson re Merry Bells Microphone,	
32.	<b>TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR KIRSTEN JOHNSON</b> Attended Parish Transport Meeting and gave a brief summary of the meeting. Volunteers have felt that County should be taking the lead and more action. Funding for an OCC P/T bus officer is being sought. SODC officers will confirm whether there is still £56,000 s106 money available. Although this amount would not be enough for a commercial venture it could kick-start a community venture. KJ met with C Gowers and discussed duplicating Witney community bus routes. She has also visited John Watson and Nursery School, there may be some changes in the use of buildings which may free up some of the existing parking spaces. Cllr Johnson will be attending the Councillor surgery on Saturday.	
33.	<b>TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR TOBY NEWMAN</b> With the absence of Cllr Newman no report was available.	
34.	<b>PRESENTATION FROM LITTLEWORTH PLAYING FIELD GROUP</b> Cllr Willmott gave a brief history on the site and a summary of possible future developments that could take place. David Locke gave an introduction of the possible relationship (CIO) with stakeholders and the council. ODS are able to cover all the legal costs for setting up the CIO. Proposal made by Cllr Bell and seconded by Cllr Hood to continue the partnership and trust. All voted in favour.	

**The chair proposed, seconded by Cllr Hood to take the meeting out of session and opened up the floor to the public.**

**Martin Gibson from Wheatley Windmill Preservation Society – Item 8**

The Windmill and land have been put up for sale although covenant is in place until 2025 covering the Grade 2 listed Windmill - . An offer has been made on the site including but unsure whether planning permission will be sought for a dwelling.

**The meeting was declared back in session at 20:17pm**

**35. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM THE CLERK**

- i) GDPR – update, procedures to be presented to council later in the meeting
- ii) Accounts – EGM agreed for 7pm on 18th June, Finance Committee start time to move to 8pm
- iii) Newsletter – circulated and letters re changes in advertising.
- iv) Village Square/Disabled parking – no response from SODC. Clerk to chase again and to escalate if necessary
- v) Insurance claim – GG garage progress is being made. Estimated costs £5,500

**36. RESOLUTION THAT THIS COUNCIL REQUESTS SODC TO RECORD THE WINDMILL, WINDMILL LANE, WHEATLEY, OX33 1TA AS AN ASSET OF COMMUNITY VALUE, seconded by Cllr Willmott. Councillors all voted in favour. Clerk to complete application.**

**Clerk**

**37. TO APPROVE SUBJECT ACCESS AND DATA BREACH PROCEDURES**  
Documents were previously circulated and approved. **Clerk to implement**

**Clerk**

**38. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM NAG/TVP AND TO DISCUSS POLICING ISSUES AFFECTING THE PARISHD**

Report from AS had previously been circulated included Holton's request for 20mph signage is likely to cost £11,000 and would need to be covered by the parish council. Where Neighbourhood watch schemes have ceased Nextdoor.co.uk has been used as a free tool to communicate quickly with residents.

Cllr Gregory continued to raise concerns over the increasing issues that arise in the village. The Clerk has continued to contact the local police but with little success. Cllr Sercombe offered to invite a TVP officer to a parish council meeting. Cllr Willmott raised the issue of larger police cuts and asked for the council to write to John Howell MP raising the councils concerns. **Chair to draft a letter.**

**Chair**

**39. TO AGREE COUNCIL PRIORITIES AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE COMING YEAR**  
A discussion took place and agreement to compile a consolidated actions list from minutes before taking this further. **Clerk to action**

**Clerk**

**40. TO RECEIVE UPDATE/MINUTES AND ACTIONS FROM**

- i) Open Spaces Committee – minutes previously circulated, next meeting 16<sup>th</sup> July  
Chair to contact the Sun re wall repair contractor.
- ii) Finance Committee – to be circulated once approved by Chair, next meeting 18<sup>th</sup> June.
- iii) Planning Committee – previously circulated, next meeting 13<sup>th</sup> June

**Chair  
Clerk**

**41. RECEIVE UPDATES FROM EXTERNAL BODIES**

- i) Brookes Residents Association- meeting 5<sup>th</sup> June. **PB will report back**
- ii) The Howe Trust – no picnic in 2018. Chair asked if the trust may be able to support the Windmill Trust, **PG to feed contact the Trust**
- iii) Merry Bells – meeting 7<sup>th</sup> June. RB asked that issues be reported back. **RB/PH to compile a list and report to MBC**
- iv) Maple Tree Centre – activities continue

**PB**

**PG**

**PH**

- v) OALC – AGM on 2<sup>nd</sup> July which clashes with the PC meeting. The Chair advised RB that it may be useful to the council if he was able to attend the AGM rather than the parish council meeting. RB to confirm
- vi) Wheatley Charities – no report. Clerk to make contact in the week
- vii) Transport meeting – High Wycombe #275 route may end at the end of the year.

RB

**42. CORRESPONDENCE AND ANY URGENT ITEMS REQUIRING ATTENTION**

- i) Email regarding commuter parking along Church Road/Templars Close – **Clerk had already provided information and advice but will make contact again**
- ii) Email regarding speeding traffic along Farm Close/Beech Road. **Clerk to refer to TVP.**
- iii) Electronic Bank Payments – New procedures were agreed. **Clerk to implement**
- iv) Letter from PCC re closure of the graveyard, received. **Clerk to respond to question 2.**

Clerk

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**43. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

- i) Request from resident re continuing parking issues outside Railway/Co-op. Cllr Hood was supported by the council to approach OCC, SODC, Beechcroft-promoting lift share. AS will approach conversation with area sergeant and their problem solving team. **Clerk to liaise with all contacts.**

Clerk

**Meeting closed 21.25pm**

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING 2<sup>ND</sup> JULY 2018**