

Begbroke Parish Council

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MINUTES

OF THE MEETING OF BEGBROKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN BEGBROKE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 2ND MARCH 2020 AT 6.30 PM

1 Present:

1.1 Cllr Malcolm Ryder (Chair); Cllr David Wintersgill (Vice Chair); Cllr Beverly Napier; Cllr Leslie Allen; Jeffrey Wright - Clerk; Cllr Conrad Copeland CDC; Cllr Nigel Simpson (Gosford & Water Eaton PC)

Apologies:

1.2 Cllr Lindsay Gregory; Cllr Maurice Billington OCC CDC,

2 Read and Confirm Minutes of Last Meeting

2.1 The minutes of the meeting Monday 3rd February 2020 were confirmed as a true record.

3 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Gifts or Hospitality

3.1 None

4 Matters Arising

4.1 Regular Village Asset inspection – bus stop roof and other repairs completed.

4.2. Warning sign in Begbroke lane (west bound) to advise of a play area (Diag. 545) Mike Wasley (OCC) said he would get something actioned. No progress to date.

4.3 Cllrs requested if sign data could be obtained. Clerk said he has the software but needs to contact TWM Traffic for instructions.

5 A44 and Begbroke Science Park

5.1 Petition for a pedestrian crossing – progressing with around 600 signatures. It was noted that a new crossing has been installed in Woodstock – clerk has requested detailed information. The clerk also demonstrated OCC's scheme consultation page which showed approved crossing and those being consulted on. The main reasons given were mostly to "improve pedestrian safety" which is what we want. It was decided to submit a FOI request to OCC and ask specific detail on crossing over a specific period and how they were funded.

The clerk also showed slides from an OCC presentation to the Transport group which demonstrated that Section 106 monies could be pooled from September 2019 under specific circumstances and that monies could only be used for an enhancement, but not used, to "prop up" failing bus services.

5.2 A44 defects reported to OCC: 50mph sign reversed at Langford lane, worn out Diagram: 606 sign, road narrows sign at Bladon R/A not facing road; end of clearway sign twisted, sharp deviation to left sign and posts missing on Begbroke Roundabout. OCC say they have no funds. Rutten Lane Cycle path covered in mud and leaves. OCC say they have no funds.

5.3 No other A44 matters.

6 Reports from County/District Councillors/Other contributors

6.1 County Councillor – reported by Cllr Simpson that the Cllr Priority fund will be available for applications from April.

6.2 Cherwell District Councillor – reported that the housing developments had been approved by CDC and that a further 300 which were to be built at Woodstock are also included at Yarnton and Begbroke.

6.3 No other contributors

7 Council Representatives.

7.1 BVHMC Report – Les Allen is representing the parish council at the next meeting. Discussion suggestions: Applying for a grant from the County Cllr funding for land drainage – quotes necessary; provision of a gel dispenser in the hall, OCC Emergency Plan, telephone and internet charging as well as incomplete installation of equipment proved by Cllr Ryder.

7.2 London Oxford Airport Consultative Meeting – no meeting

8 New Business

8.1 Request for Stagecoach 7 service or the Oxford Bus Company 500 to divert through Begbroke on route has been made to both bus service managers – no reply to date.

8.2 Emergency plan – information sent to BVHMC – also see 7.1 above.

9 Planning

9.1 Enforcement Reference Number: 19/00395/ENF Unauthorised shed erected at the front of the dwelling house at 50 Begbroke Crescent in Begbroke – now removed

9.2 20/00102/OUT Mr Jim Jennings Demolition of existing house and erection of two houses seven flats parking and associated works. 12 Sandhill Road Begbroke – comments sent to CDC. A comment was made that the visual representations in the plan's mis-represented how the properties would appear from the street as the whole development could not be properly seen. There are 23 current responses on the CDC Planning Portal. It was also noted that the land was no longer registered to Partridge.

9.3 19/02912/F Mr & Mrs Hands 17 Begbroke Lane - proposed rear conservatory and remove old – consent.

9.4 Planning Ref MW.0046/18 Location: Shipton-on-Cherwell Quarry, Bunkers Hill, Shipton-on-Cherwell OX5 3BA Proposed Development: Proposed extraction of mineral and restoration by infilling with imported inert materials to agriculture on land to the south east of Shipton on Cherwell Quarry Appellants Name: Shipton Ltd. Appeal Reference Number: APP/U3100/W/19/3230986 Appeal Start Date: 8th October 2019.

9.5 Green Belt Housing plans – see 6.2 above.

10 Correspondence (see register for full details of postal correspondence)

10.1 Letter of thanks for grant from Citizens Advice for Grant

11 Financial Matters

11.1. Grant Information/Grant Applications/receipts

11.1.1 None

11.2 Balances and Liabilities and Income

11.2.1 Balance £5,057.95 (Money) Bank Statements : Current £4,366.26 Reserve £1905.84

11.2.2 Liabilities £1,220 approx. Transfer of funds: £0.00; Income Bank interest £0.61

11.3 Expenditure

11.3.1 Baylee Construction – snow guard to bus shelter £185.00 CN: 829

11.3.2 Baylee Construction – snow guard to bus shelter £830.00 CN: 830

11.3.3 OPFA – annual subscription £53.00 CN: 831

11.3.4 OALC Annual Subscription £155.95 CN: 832

11.3.5 No other expenditure

11.3.6 Cllr Ryder - hall telephone and internet charges- progressing. See 7.1 above.

The above financial transactions were unanimously approved.

11.4 Quotations/Tenders

11.4.1 None

11.5 Bank Matters

11.5.1 None

11.6 Other Financial Matters

11.6.1 Internal Auditor local proposed auditor has now declined so clerk pursuing other options.
11.6.1 Accountant Dovey Accountancy Services has now merged with another company and is now known as Connoll Accountants & Business Advisers

12 Health and Safety Matters

12.1 Receive playground inspection reports - reports needed for Jan – March 2020.

12.2 Play area issues – entrance gate and springs referred to Baylee.

12.3 Play Area repairs – complete.

13 Training

13.1 Training requests.

14 Freedom of information requests/receipts

14.1 Thames Valley Police re Traffic enforcement statistics on the A44. Ref: FOI-490-20-4300-000.
Answer: 03/07/2017- 31/01/2020 Begbroke 14 Yarnton 1225 and Woodstock 857.

14.2 Further request HQ/PA/734/20 - Request for recorded information. *How many times did TVP set up an enforcement action on the A44 in Begbroke Woodstock and Yarnton between the dates previously specified, Northbound and Southbound? i.e. a Physical presence such as a portable camera or an enforcement vehicle with a camera?*

15 Footpaths, Bridleways and Restricted Byway (RUPP)

15.1.1 Footpath amendments, anomalies and additions – none.

15.1.2 Begbroke Lane – poor condition – response from Footpaths Officer is to scrape of surface and cut back edges possibly later this month.

15.1.3 It was noted that a vehicle had been driven up Begbroke Lane.

16 Website

16.1 Website was review. New documents to be added but clerk is to alter some tabs to place under one parent improving user experience.

17 Proposed dates of the Next Meeting (s):

17.1 April 6th

Signed Chairman/Vice Chairman

May 4th, 2020