

Begbroke Parish Council

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I hereby give notice that a meeting of Begbroke Parish Council will be held on **Monday 6th October at 6.00pm** All members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend consider and resolving upon the business to be transacted at the meeting as set out hereunder:

1. **Attendees:** Malcolm Ryder (Chair), Les Allen (Deputy Chair) Beverley Appleton, Peter Finbow, Lindsay Gregory, David Wintersgill, Louise Wright (Clerk)

Apologies: Dionne Wright

2. Minutes of previous meeting of Monday 1st September 2025

Unanimously agreed as correct.

3. Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Gifts or Hospitality

None to declare.

4. A44, Highways and Begbroke Science Park

Gully is still flooding by the Royal Sun, Lesley will chase up and Malcolm to send some pictures to her.

The flush through has been done in Fernhill Road by Thames Water to deal with the flooding in the gardens. The problem appears to be a broken drain. Suggested to come back to this in the future as there is no proper access due to tree cover and the back gardens cannot be dug up without the trees being removed first.

4.1 Roundham crossing update

Lesley has given an overview of what Network Rail can do in terms of shutting the crossing. She reported that they can close the crossing if they want to. There is a concern at the council that if the crossing closure goes out to consultation it will cost them a huge amount of money.

No decision has been made by planning as-yet.

The council has questioned why the decision to close Roundham can be made by just one person at Oxfordshire County Council.

The suggestion was to write directly to David Peckford and Ian Boll.

5. Reports from County/District Councillors/Other contributors

County Councillor report-August/September report sent to councillors

Cherwell District Councillor report

OALC report-September report forwarded to councillors

Cherwell Parish Bulletin-Due end October.

Council Representatives

BVHMC report

- New lock system on the door which will not open until 15 minutes before your meeting and will lock again if the door is shut
- Survey has been carried out in the field-Lesley reported that there is currently an ongoing discussion regarding Begbroke Lane being connected to main drains (OCC say there is no main drain)
- The conclusion was that if the pitch gets flooded it takes no longer than any other pitch to clear

Oxford Airport report

- The meeting will be 7th October.

Five parishes meeting

- Next meeting will be 28th October

6. **New Business**-No new business.

7. **Planning**-No new planning.

8. **Correspondence (see register for full details of postal correspondence)**

9. Financial matters

Balance: Current Account - £33017.17

Income: 16021.84 Precept received 10 September.

Financial information attached – Summary of R & P and Transactions to date.

9.1 Asset register allocations

Advice regarding re allocation of assets can be sought from OALC.

Action: Clerk to ask OALC and report back.

9.2 Quotations/Tenders/Grants

i. Quote for new bike racks from Ritetech Ltd.- Agreed.

Clerk to contact Ritetech about this.

ii Remuneration payments for councillors

Action: Clerk to do the survey

10. Health and Safety

10.1 Service-road near misses

- Suggestion was possibly getting “look both ways” on the road

Action: Clerk to contact Chris Grain OCC and copy in Lesley.

11. Rota – October Dionne, November David, December Beverley

12. Training-No requests.

13. Freedom of information requests/receipts/FixMystreet reports

13.1 Roundham crossing-No updates from Network Rail as yet.

14. Footpaths, Bridleways and Restricted Byway (RUPP)

The bus shelter has a crack in it, the clerk will send an image to Mark to request this is fixed.

15. Village and Environmental Matters-none.

16. Website and Information -no updates

Proposed dates of next meeting – 3 November 2025

Louise Wright Clerk/RFO