

Begbroke Parish Council

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Minutes of parish council meeting held on Monday 1st December at 6.00pm at Begbroke Village Hall

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

Apologies: Lindsay Gregory

2. **Minutes of previous meeting of Monday 3rd November 2025**

Unanimously agreed as correct.

3. **Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Gifts or Hospitality**

None to disclose.

4. **A44, Highways and Begbroke Science Park**

4.1 Line painting

The Clerk asked the Councillors if they were happy to have some “look both ways” signage put on the slip road by the newly installed crossing, all agreed to go ahead with this, and think about the addition of double yellow lines later.

Action: Clerk to confirm with Yes to look both ways-for sure and to think about lines in the future.

4.2 Ditch at Royal Sun and Environmental survey

Tony Brommel has funds to dig this out. Quote needs to be sent.

Lesley has a meeting with the hydrologist at Begbroke Science Park.

Action: Councillors to send a map of where the issues are in the brook.

5. **Reports from County/District Councillors/Other contributors**

County Councillor report-November/December report sent to councillors

Cherwell District Councillor report

OALC report-for November sent to councillors

Cherwell Parish Bulletin-November bulletin sent to councillors

Council Representatives

BVHMC report-Next meeting is on 4th December

- Pool table has been re-covered

- Will be redoing the hall floor next year

Oxford Airport report

- Lesley is running through some casework regarding flying routes and will update when she knows something

Five parishes meeting

- Area priority plan is in draft form, all to look at this and report any issues back to Lesley
- Greater Oxford plans: Lesley has been working on some local governance for this.

6. New Business-No new business.

7. Planning

7.1 Appeal decision for 37 Fernhill Road-application permitted.

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

9. Financial matters

Balance: Current Account - £27,731.49

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

9.1 Budget for next financial year-Attachment for agreement.

Councillors to read in more detail and clerk to submit to County Council

10. Health and Safety

Accident on the play equipment, no worries about the condition of the play equipment. The recommendation was that the group looking after the children should have checked the equipment properly before the children played on it. No further action.

11. Playground Inspection rota

December Beverly, January Peter, February Lindsay

12. Training

Clerk to go ahead with the OALC clerk training-book when available.

13. Freedom of information requests/receipts/FixMystreet reports

Assistant clerk used to send a spreadsheet to Lesley with anything that needed updating round village, but she can no longer access this. Assistant clerk to grant access again.

14. Footpaths, Bridleways and Restricted Byway (RUPP)

Bullers bridge: Lesley is looking into access for this again to open for routes through Kidlington.

Train station will be built in Kidlington within Grovelands by 2032. And another opening in Heyford to link people to Oxford.

15. Village and Environmental Matters

- Lesley will ensure glass bins are removed as soon as possible
- S19 report is out for Begbroke please let Lesley know any comments
- New 800 bus will now do a circuit round from Begbroke to Kidlington

16. Website and Information

No updates needed currently.

17. Resignation

Resignation from David Wintersgill-Les thanked David for all his work over the years and the support he has given to the council.

The advert will be added to the website and the District Council informed.

Proposed dates of next meeting – 2nd February 2025

Signed: Malcolm Ryder Chair 02 February 2026 _____