

Begbroke Parish Council

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: Minutes of the meeting 2nd February 2026

1. **Attendees:** Malcolm Ryder (Chair), Les Allen (Deputy Chair) Beverley Appleton, Peter Finbow, Lindsay Gregory, Dionne Wright, Louise Wright (Clerk) Candida Javaid attended the meeting as an observer.

Apologies: Lindsay Gregory

2. **Minutes of previous meeting of Monday 1st December 2025**

2.1 Unanimously approved.

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

3.1 None to declare.

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

4.1 Email from resident regarding signage - Clerk to email resident to ask for further information including images of where signage is missing.

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

County Councillor report-January/February report sent to councillors.

Cherwell District Councillor report January/February sent to councillors.

OALC report-February report sent to Councillors.

Cherwell Parish Bulletin-January report sent to Councillors.

Council Representatives

BVHMC report

The village hall is looking at extending the hall-but there needs to be further discussions regarding parking, as the hope is that the bowling green will stay. A suggestion was to use half the green for parking and extend the green out towards the boundary edge.

The village hall committee has passed along to Les that they would like some more signs to slow people down in the village. They would like some signs to be designed by some of the children in the village. Les will get back to Lesley regarding this.

Oxford Airport report

No updates.

Five parishes meeting - brief update from Lesley

- OTP 2 engagement is happening.
- A44 consultation is due to start soon in relation to speed.
- Campsfield visit went well, report to follow from Dorothy.

- Flood equipment is on its way for Begbroke.
- Begbroke village playing field is next on the list for the green spaces review-the plan will be for a good few years going forward-A development plan will need to be done before full discussions take place.
- Area oversight group will take place in April.
- 300K of county council money has been put aside for projects.
- 4k for strategic projects, Lesley will focus on the canal/railway side of things.
- All potholes have been reported.
- Bottle banks will be removed once the storage units have been removed.
- Candida requested that there are more regular updates regarding what Bloombridge are doing regarding flooding.
- Lesley confirmed that with planning there are now developers' forums so that all those involved with building are in the same conversation.
- Lesley will write up a report regarding flooding and development.
- Malcolm wondered if it was worth bringing the football pitch down lower.
- Lesley will chase regarding the emptying of the culvert by the Royal Sun

6. New Business

6.1 Document review 2026/2027-all approved.

6.2 Meeting timetable 2026/2027 review - all approved

7. Planning

7.1 Oxford Technology Park-Phase 2-Email from resident. Clerk to send link from poster to resident to make comment.

7.2 Botley West Open floor hearings: No further dates.

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

9. Financial matters

Balance: Current Account – **£23, 329.24**

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

10. Health and Safety

10.1 Risk assessment is due for review in March.

10.2 The village hall would like the Parish council to add those doing play inspections to our insurance. Clerk to investigate this.

10.3 Les will ask at the Village Hall next meeting to see if there is anyone else who could go on the play inspection area training.

10.1 Rota for play area inspections

March Leslie, April Malcolm, May Dionne

11. Training

11.1 Playground inspection training-Cancellation on one place.

12. Freedom of information requests/receipts/ - None.

13. FixMystreet reports (move to environmental) - None.

14. Footpaths, Bridleways and Restricted Byway (RUPP)

14.1 Bruce from Village Hall management committee asked if we could block access to the lane to stop vehicles entering.

14.2 Clerk to contact OCC to see if restrictive measures can be placed at the end of the lane at Begbroke Lane.

15. Village and Environmental Matters

15.1 Sandbags and Plastic tarpaulin by the pumping station is still there-Clerk to contact Thames Water to remove these.

15.2 Chair to contact CSD gas regarding replanting of bulbs.

16. Website and Information

16.1 A few links on the website are broken. Please send information to Clerk to do updates

16 Proposed dates of next meeting – 20th April 2026-ACM and AGM

Signed Chair

20th April 2026