

# Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor Parish Council

## Minutes of the meeting held in the Village Hall on On Monday 9<sup>th</sup> of January 2017

Present	Elizabeth Oastler (Chairman)	Brian Forster (Vice Chairman)	David Hancox
	Robert Ian Charlton	Carol Shepherd	Josie Allsworth
	Stephen Smith	Keith Marley	
	With 16 members of the public and D.Cllr Eric Batts		
	Commenced 1900	Ended 2215	

1. **Apologies:** Carol Shepherd and Melinda Tilley
2. **Minutes of last meeting:** the minutes of 5<sup>th</sup> December 2016 were recorded as being accurate records of proceedings with some changes to items 4c, 8a, 9a, 9b and 9c.
3. **Declarations of interest** - none
4. **Public Participation**
  - a. Dawn and Jo: No1 Larch Close development. The issues are not resolved and continue. They wanted to know if the parish Council had taken legal advice. Brian Forster responded by saying that the issue of the law was with VOWH and that the Parish Council view only accepted the principle of an extension. Eric Batts confirmed that the current planning application for a separate dwelling is being processed and will be determined at VOWH planning committee in February.
  - b. Patrina Effer and Sarah Lewis: Crossroads garage redevelopment. Wanted to know what the position was with respect of the latest planning application. The Parish Council has not seen the details and they will be discussed at a future meeting.
  - c. Ron Green: the rental of a room to the Parish Council. See item below.
  - d. Jenni Shaw: raised issues about the planning application to change the Lamb and Flag Public House into a dwelling. See item on P16/V3008/FUL below.
  - e. Guy Morgan: raised issues about the planning application on the adjacent land to his property. See item on P16/V2982/FUL below.
5. **Reports from District and County Councillors**
  - a. Cllr Melinda Tilley – see report
  - b. Cllr Eric Batts:
    - (i) Local Plan Part 1 has been accepted formally. The issue of redevelopment of Grove Airfield is still outstanding. Local Plan Part 2 consultation has started. Further screening is needed before full consultation on sites can begin. The disposal and redevelopment of Dalton Barracks will not occur in the Part 2 period.
    - (ii) The decision on the development proposal off Spring Hill is due soon. Eric stated that VOWH planning officers have offered to have a meeting with the Parish Council on Spring Hill.
    - (iii) Eric informed that the County Council had transferred £11k of s106 subsidy monies from the 66 to the X15 bus service.
    - (iv) There had been troubles in Kingston Bagpuize and Southmoor with refuse collection over Christmas. Many properties had been missed. It took quite a while to rectify.

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**6. Planning Applications**

a. The following planning applications were considered:

- (i) P16/V2925/RM, Land at Springhill Farm Springhill Longworth Abingdon OX13 5HL, Reserved Matters application following Outline Approval P15/V2942/O for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale: Resolved no objections 6-1.
- (ii) P16/V2982/FUL, Fairfield/Springhill Longworth Springhill Abingdon OX13 5HL, Erection of 5 no 2 storey dwellings plus garages: Resolved to object unanimous, on grounds of encroachment.
- (iii) P16/V2982/FUL, Fairfield/Springhill Longworth Springhill Abingdon OX13 5HL, Erection of 5 no 2 storey dwellings plus garages. Amendment No 1: Ecology Survey: Resolved to object unanimous, on grounds of bat colony.
- (iv) P16/V3008/FUL, Lamb and Flag Faringdon Road Longworth Abingdon OX13 5HN, Change of use from Pub/Restaurant to one single dwelling and internal alterations: Resolved no objections 6-1.
- (v) P16/V3015/LB, Lamb and Flag Faringdon Road Longworth Abingdon OX13 5HN, Change of use from Pub/Restaurant to one single dwelling (residential). No external changes with only very minor interior changes to respect the Grade II Listed Building status: Resolved no objections 6-1.
- (vi) P16/V3009/HH, 2 Lime Grove Southmoor Abingdon Oxfordshire OX13 5DN, Extend garage to front of property. Construct new playroom to rear of garage. Construct new first floor over consisting of new bedroom and en-suite areas: Resolved no objections unanimous.
- (vii) P16/V3099/FUL, Weybread Cottage Faringdon Road Longworth ABINGDON OX13 5HN, Replacement dwelling: Resolved no objections unanimous.
- (viii) P16/V2433/FUL, 1 Larch Close Southmoor ABINGDON OX13 5DD, Erection of a new 2 bed dwelling adjoining 1 Larch Close (retrospective), AMDNEMENT No 1: Additional plan showing curtilages and highways access received 15 December 2016: Resolved to object unanimous on grounds previously stated on original application.
- (ix) P16/V2460/FUL, Corner House Kingston Bagpuize ABINGDON OX13 5AP, Sub division of the garden to The Corner House to Allow construction of new 6 Bed Detached House, together with wider access to Highway. Amendment No 1: amended plans: Resolved to object unanimous on grounds previously stated.

b. For updates on previous Planning Applications see attached note.

**7. Accounts**

a. Refer to Finance Report

**8. Correspondence/ Matters arising**

- a. Longworth Charities has asked the Parish Council if they wish to nominate a new appointment of trustee to replace Mrs Goodgame. There was no-one on the Parish Council who wished to take this role. It was decided to place a note in the KBS News to see if anyone from the parish wished to take the role.
- b. Update on recruitment of Assistant Clerk. Elizabeth Oastler outlined that a person was offered the job but declined. It was decided to ask the Clerk to place another advert for an Assistant Clerk working 32 hours per month.
- c. The Village Hall has offered the use of the Ex-Vets room to the Parish Council. The rental price asked for is £200 per calendar month which included furnishings, power, heating, wifi and one set of keys. It was suggested by Keith Marley that the room is taken for a period of 3 months as a trial period and review after 2 months.

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This was seconded by Elizabeth Oastler. This motion was accepted unanimously. The Clerk will confirm the acceptance to the Village Hall, confirm the hire contract and arrange moving in.

### 9. Working Groups

- a. Finance DH/KM
  - (i) Precept and draft budget for 2017/18: presentation of proposal. DH and KM verbally presented their thoughts based on current 2016 outturn figures. A precept of £47000 was suggested. This means that the expected Band D charge will rise from £35.77 to £40.90 per year. This is rise of £5.13 (less than 10p per week!) but a rise of 14.3%. The absolute rise is from £37,740 to £47,000 (£9,260, or 25%) but as discussed the tax base has risen by 9% so the cost per house is a lower amount. It was resolved unanimously to have a precept of £47000 for 2017-8. The draft budget will be presented using the precept as a headline figure and will be formerly presented in detail at another meeting.
- b. Planning DH/IC
  - (i) Bloor Homes (West Waddy) – revised planning application due
  - (ii) Taylor Wimpey meeting (transfer of land etc)) – meeting is being arranged. Elizabeth Oastler resolved to employ a Solicitor who could help.
  - (iii) Bloor Homes (reserved matters land north of Oxford Road) – meeting being arranged with the developer
  - (iv) David Wilson Homes (land transfer) – nothing new
  - (v) Abbey Homes (sports ground and pavilion) – appears that the provision of the pavilion was missed off the s106! It was decided that action is needed on this.
- c. Resources – nothing to report SS/BF
- d. Personnel JA/KM
  - (i) The write up of the Clerk's appraisal is still under discussion
- e. Contracts - nothing to report SS/CS
- f. Neighbourhood Plan JA
  - (i) Josie is seeking volunteers to assist
- g. Transport - nothing to report JA
- h. S106 - nothing to report CS/EO

### 10. Requests for Donations or Support

- a. Revitalise has asked for a donation. Their cause was discussed. The proposal of not giving a donation by DH, seconded JA was resolved unanimously.
- b. In November 2016 South and Vale Carers Centre asked for a donation. The centre is currently supporting 17 young carers in the Parish. Whilst some information had been provided the Council is unsure what the money would be used for and asked for more information before making the decision. This had been received. The proposal from DH, seconded SS to donate £300 was resolved unanimously.

### 11. Village Amenities

- a. General
  - (i) Steve Smith offered the uses of his apprentices to do some tidying in the Village. The manpower would be at no charge but a skip to dispose of the rubbish was needed. It was resolved unanimously to pay for a skip (placed at the Hinds Head (BF to arrange), costing £210+VAT.

### 12. Next meetings

- a. Extra meeting 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2017 – required for planning applications

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- b. Ordinary meeting 6<sup>th</sup> February 2017
- c. Extra meeting 20<sup>th</sup> February 2017 if needed
- d. Ordinary meeting 6<sup>th</sup> March 2017

SIGNED

DATE:

**PLANNING APPLICATION UPDATES**

The following planning applications were approved:

- i. P16/V2471/FUL, Webbs Cottage Witney Road Kingston Bagpuize ABINGDON OX13 5AN, Development of three dwellings: AMENDMENT No 1 revised access
- ii. P16/V0234/O, Springfield Farm Bullockspit Lane (Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor) Longworth OX13 5HJ, Outline application for residential development of 25 no. dwellings with some matters reserved. AMENDMENT No 2

The following planning application notices:

- (i) P16/V3134/T28, BT, PCP005 - Draycott Road S/O 29 Draycott Road Southmoor Abingdon OX13 5BY, Installation of 1 x DSLAM equipment cabinet.

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**FINANCE REPORT**

<b>Invoices outstanding</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Value</b>
None		
<b>Invoices paid</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Value</b>
9/01/2017	Mr S Smith for purple4polio contribution (second cheque for lost original), chq 01358	£85.00
9/01/2017	Sorbus: repair damage to play fort, invoice 000022, chq 01359	£67.00
9/01/2017	Josie Allsworth expenses September 2016, chq 01360	£5.80
9/01/2017	BGG Garden Care, litter picking, invoice 612/16, chq 01361	£300.00
9/01/2017	Association of Local Council Clerks, membership 2017, chq 01362	£10.00
9/01/2017	Society of Local Council Clerks, membership 2017, chq 01363	£108.00
13/12/2016	Staples, direct card payment, print paper, envelopes, printer cartridge	£30.57
<b>Receipts</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Value</b>
20/12/2016	Plot 60 burial	£100.00
20/12/2016	S106 payment from Pye Homes (maintenance contribution for land handed over)	£7000.00
<b>Donations</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Value</b>
none		
<b>Clerk Payments</b>		<b>Value</b>
5/01/2017	December Salary for Clerk, chq 01356	£280.42
5/01/2017	PAYE Q3, chq 01357	£233.40

**REPORT FROM CLLR MELINDA TILLEY**

**PLANS TO TRANSFORM ADOPTION SERVICES ACROSS THAMES VALLEY**

OCC is joining forces with neighbouring councils to create a Regional Adoption Agency (RAA) for the Thames Valley. The agency will improve outcomes for both children and adopters – including the ability to match children with families more quickly and improve support services for adopters. The Government has advised that a grant of £300k will be made available to help set up the new service. OCC will be the host authority within a partnership known as ‘Adopt Thames Valley’, alongside six other councils (Bracknell Forest, West Berkshire, Windsor and Maidenhead, Wokingham, Swindon and Reading) and two Voluntary Adoption Agencies (PACT and Barnardo’s). All partners have begun work to develop the new shared service across the geographical area covered by the councils.

**LAUNCH OF NEW ONLINE FLOODING ‘TOOLKIT’**

A new online ‘toolkit’ has been launched by OCC which provides information and advice for those wanting to take action to safeguard their homes or businesses against the effects of flooding. Visitors to the site can use its tools to determine whether their home or business is in an area at risk at flooding, and links to a series of ‘How To’ guides. The toolkit also explains the different types of flooding that can occur with bespoke guides on how to deal with them and,

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for those responsible for things such as drains and streams running across their land, guides on how to carry out preventative maintenance. Interactive illustrations give visual inspiration for ways people can protect their properties and highlights often forgotten areas such as garages, airbricks and cable holes. The toolkit can be found at [www.oxfordshirefloodtoolkit.com](http://www.oxfordshirefloodtoolkit.com)

### **ADULT SOCIAL CARE PERFORMANCE ABOVE NATIONAL AVERAGE**

The delayed transfers of care (DTC) figures released in December show Oxfordshire improving significantly on the situation a year ago: total delayed transfers of care were 11% lower, and those due to social care delays were 19% lower. This compares with a rise in numbers nationally of 25% in total and 41% due to social care. Nationally over a third of all DTC cases were attributable to social care delays, but in Oxfordshire it was less than a fifth.

### **HOME LIBRARY VOLUNTEER SUCCESS AND NEW LIBRARIES E - NEWSLETTER**

In September OCC launched a county-wide campaign for Home Library Service volunteers. This successful campaign has led to 150 volunteer applications so far, and the campaign was shortlisted for a public sector communications award. Home Library Service volunteers choose and deliver books to those who are unable to get to a library. More information about the scheme, including details of what volunteering involves and interviews with those who benefit from the service, can be found at: [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/homelibrary](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/homelibrary)

The Library Service has also recently launched a bi-monthly newsletter sent to 6000 library service users. It contains the latest libraries news, events, book recommendations, volunteering opportunities and more, including information about Zinio (free electronic magazines), eBooks, People's Network (free public access to computers) and Wi-Fi in Libraries. Parish councils are requested to inform residents that they sign up at [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/librariesnewsletter](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/librariesnewsletter)

### **GRANT FUNDING ANNOUNCED FOR 'OPEN ACCESS' CHILDREN'S SERVICES**

Community-led schemes will complement a comprehensive new service for 0-19-year-olds across Oxfordshire, which ensures children at risk of abuse and neglect are protected and that families who need extra help are identified at an early stage. Applications received during the first round of the £1m grant scheme were assessed by a cross-party working group of councillors which made recommendations to the council's Cabinet. Six community groups planning to run 'open access' children's services were successful and will receive funding worth £163,000 from the scheme. They are:

- Butterfly Meadows (Bloxham) - £29,384
- Carterton Town Council - £30,000
- Bridges (Oxford) - £30,000
- Grandpont Nursery (Oxford) - £35,600
- St Nicholas Primary School (Marston) - £8,000
- Sharing Life Trust (Thame) - £30,000

A further eight bids were supported in principle by the working group, but deferred to the second round of bids so that further work can be carried out on their business models. The panel refused just three bids – in these cases the eligibility criteria were not met.