

Minutes of the Oving Parish Council meeting held at the Reading Room

Bowling Alley, Oving on Tuesday 13 November 2007 at 8:00pm

Councillors Present: Ambrose McGinn (Chairman), Roger Ball, Jack Peeters, Stuart Nicholls

Visitors Present: None

Item		Action
	The meeting started at 8:00pm	
1	To accept apologies for absence Chris George	
2	Declaration of interest in items on the agenda None	
3	Acceptance of minutes of meeting held on 11 September 2007 These were agreed.	
4	Matters arising not covered by the agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none">- The split in the oak gate had been fixed.- The Clerk to follow up on repairs to footpath 9.- The fallen tree had been removed from footpath 29.- The stile had yet to be repaired.	The Clerk
5	To agree Accounts to end October 2007 The Clerk reported on the accounts which were agreed. It was noted that the Precept would need to be set at the January meeting. The Clerk and the Chairman to draw up a draft budget. It was agreed to contribute £342 to the PCC.	
6	Planning applications considered since 11 September 2007	
A	07/02401/APP Land Adj. Windmill House – Dwelling – Cllr Peeters reported that AVDC had approved the planning application. He was concerned that there had not been an opportunity for OPC to convey its objections. It was agreed that he would write a letter of complaint about the process and reinforce OPC's objection to the application. He would also suggest that communication be made via email in future.	Cllr Peeters
B	Glynne House – no objections Cllr Peeters suggested that if there was disagreement between Cllrs on planning applications a meeting should be held for formal discussion.	
7	Update on ROSPA Bucks Home Improvements had advised that work to the play area would commence within the next few days.	

- 8 To discuss Village Pond**
 Cllr Peeters raised the issue of maintaining the village pond. It was believed that the pond itself was owned by OPC although the surrounding areas were not. It was agreed that Cllr Peeters should contact the pub landlord regarding maintaining the hedge/sycamore trees. Cllr Ball to forward details of possible funding sources for such a project. The Clerk would investigate whether the sycamore trees were within the conservation area. Cllr McGinn to chase up the return of the pump.
 Cllr Peeters
 Cllr Ball
 The Clerk
 Cllr McGinn
- 9 To update on Church Lane Pump Wall**
 It had been agreed to remove the stone wall. The Clerk to raise the issue of funding with WREN.
 The Clerk
- 10 To update on Agrivert composting application**
 It was reported that the application had been rejected by BCC.
- 11 To update on Pavilion project**
 Cllr Peeters reported that the Design and Location sub-committee had met 3 times and minutes of the most recent meeting were circulated. The group had assessed 10 possible sites for the Pavilion and rejected 5. The remaining 5 would be considered at the next meeting to be held on 27 November. Cllr Ball expressed his concern that existing established clubs should be taken into consideration when reaching a decision. Cllr Ball reported that he was in the progress of putting together a working group for fundraising.
- 12 To discuss memorial to Peter Tombs**
 Cllr Ball had raised the issue with the Recreation Ground Committee and proposed that a brass plaque be displayed on the existing Pavilion in memorial to Peter Tombs. This was unanimously agreed. Cllr Ball to circulate wording for review by all Cllrs.
 Cllr Ball
- 13 To decide on Parish Paths procedure**
 It was noted that instruction for any work to be undertaken would need to come from the Clerk.
 The Clerk
- 14 To decide on Dog Control Order on Recreation Ground**
 The Clerk reported on the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 which had been circulated by email. It was agreed that prominent signs should be displayed at all entrances to the recreation ground. The Clerk to put together a form of words on controlling dogs for consideration by all Cllrs.
 The Clerk
- 15 To update on Churchyard**
 It was reported that the revised application had been withdrawn and AVDC had put a preservation order on the trees.
- 16 To confirm The New Code of Conduct**
 The New Code of Conduct had been circulated and it was unanimously agreed that OPC would conform to it.

17 To update on Recreational Ground usage

Cllr Ball reported that the Football Club were not in favour of a junior team playing on a Sunday afternoon. Cllr Ball had agreed to a request from North Marston to play a one-off Saturday afternoon at a cost of £50. Cllr Ball reported that he had taken on responsibility for grass cutting.

18 Next Meeting

8 January 2008, 11 March 2008, 13 May 2008 & 15 May 2008

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.45pm.