

**Minutes of the Meeting of
Tetsworth Parish Council
Held in the Memorial Hall
at 7.30pm on Monday 13th September 2010**

Present: Cllr. Jenny Kellond (JK) (Chairman)
Cllr. John Thompson (JT)
Cllr. Karen Harris (KH)
Cllr. Hazel Bottone (HB)
Cllr. Alan Martin (AM)

In Attendance: Cllr. Dorothy Brown

Officer: Sarah Pullen

Members of the Public: 4

171/10 Apologies for Absence
Cllr. Martin Redman, Cllr. Roger Belson, PCSO Jacky Madden

172/10 To receive Declarations of Interest
To receive any declarations of interest from Councillors relating to items to be considered at the meeting in accordance with the provisions of the Councils Local Code of Conduct.
There were none.

173/10 Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Monday 9th August 2010 to be signed as a correct record
Resolved: That these minutes, are a correct record and that they be signed by the Chairman.

174/10 Matters arising from the minutes
AM – Has requested that if amended minutes are distributed that the amendment is clear.

159/10 (Planning) The applicant from planning application at Little Acre has contacted JT. Her intention is to submit a new planning application and would like to attend our meeting when it is on the agenda.

175/10 County Councillors Report.
There was no representative.

176/10 District Councillors Report
Bus Passes – In future these will be issued by OCC not SODC.

Fly Tipping – This has been a problem in the District. However, a successful prosecution has taken place following a member of the public taking photographic evidence. Further camera equipment has been purchased and the powers to issue fixed penalty notices have been given to the team.

Scores on Doors Scheme – This was launched over a year ago. Over 8000 people a month have visited the national website to check the ratings & hygiene standards of premises serving food in South Oxfordshire.

Housing – There are currently over 3000 people who have been accepted on the housing register. We have in the region of 40% affordable, including shared ownership housing, on the Chinnor Cement Works site. This year will bring further housing to help residents in the district. Nevertheless there is a great lack of housing for young people in the villages.

Local Development Framework Core Strategy – In the process of bringing this document for consultation with the public. All details are on the SODC website.

Oxfordshire Big Debate – The OCC have got to cut back and they are asking people to debate what.

Dates of these events are on the website.

Local Economic Partnership – A total of 63 partnerships have gone in for review. Would like to have one locally and therefore a submission has gone in.

177/10

To receive the Monthly Financial Report

Balances:

Current Account: £654.87
Savings Account: £21154.31

Resolved: To authorise transfer of £1000 from deposit to current account on 7th September 2010.

The Clerk reported that bank charges of £15 have been refunded. She has also contacted the bank with reference to interest being earned on the Savings account. The bank offer higher rates of interest on 'notice' accounts. Considering that any spending of earmarked funds would have a notice period it may be of benefit to move these into a higher interest account.

Resolved: The Clerk to look into what rates are available for a 12 month notice account. Also need to check financial regulations to see if these need to tie up with the serving period of the Councillors. Elections are in May 2011.

The Clerk reported that telephone banking has now been arranged with the bank for internal transfers. All contact details for the Councillors have also been updated with the bank.

Resolved: That the Clerk add this to the Financial Regulations. All passwords should also be given to Cllr Karen Harris as back up if the Clerk is away.

The Senior Citizens have requested a £250 grant towards the Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner.

Resolved: To add to next month's agenda for payment. AM to contact them to let them know.

A receipt is still required for the donation to the Help the Heroes.

Resolved: That JK will chase.

178/10

To approve the list of Payments and Expenditure

Resolved: That we pay the following items:

S. Pullen (Clerk) £ 239.78
Swan Gardens (June) £ 174.26

179/10

Planning

Planning Decisions

P10/E0602 - Tetsworth Memorial Hall – GRANTED

Planning Applications

P10/E0917/RET – Change of use of land at Mount Hill Farm, Tetsworth (Amended Plans).

The creation of a temporary hard standing parking area adjacent to London Road, Tetsworth.

APPROVED – UNANIMOUS

P10/E1233 – Green Sward, Thame Road, Tetsworth.

Erection of single storey front and side extensions to bungalow.

APPROVED – UNANIMOUS

P10/E1225 – Attington House, High Street, Tetsworth

Demolition of existing dwelling and large attached service wing, attached outbuildings, detached garage/annex, separate garden/sunroom and pool building. Erection of new small country house with attached garage block, home office, au-pair suite and outbuilding. Formation of new drive and parking area. Detailed landscape works.

APPROVED - UNANIMOUS

180/10

Speeding

There has been no response from Peter Ronald since the last meeting. However, there is some uncertainty as to

what a roundel is. (If it is a round sign on a pole or the marking directly on the road).

Resolved: That the Clerk contact Peter Ronald and confirm.

It has also been noticed that the 'School' sign coming from the Postcombe direction is now obscured by a tree. KH reported that she has contacted the school to arrange for it to be cleared.

181/10

Youth Development on Green

KH reported that she has contacted Haddenham PC about their bike ramps. The Clerk at Haddenham has given details of the company that installed their scheme. However the smallest scheme they offer is £10,000 rising to £75,000. Haddenham's bike area cost £25,000 and they spend approx £1200 per year on maintenance. (This includes Public Liability). However, until it is confirmed who has the ownership of the green, no scheme can be planned.

Resolved: That JK passes any documents about ownership of the green to the other Councillors for review before the next meeting. JK also to contact Joe Hope and TSSC.

182/10

Garden Plots – Land behind the Green

There is nothing to report.

183/10

M40 Group

JT reported that the area between Junction 3 and 4 is currently being resurfaced. A quiet road surface is being used which will reduce the noise levels by up to 7 decibels. The M40 Group now have a letter from the Minister of Transport pledging that all future resurfacing will use this quieter surface.

184/10

Common and Parish Land

There is nothing to report.

185/10

Swan Gardens

There is nothing to report.

186/10

Village Rents

There is nothing to report.

187/10

The Patch

AM reported that the inspection has been done. Everything reported is 'low hazard' and AM has already carried out some repairs.

Resolved: That the Clerk check the report and obtain quotes for any further work required.

188/10

To consider the following correspondence

76 Oxfordshire County Council – Home 2 School Newsletter, Autumn 2010. - **Noted.**

77 Email from David Rees, Environment and Economy – Woodlands Project - **Noted.**

78 SLCC – CPD Training – **Noted.**

79 OALC – Charitable Trust – Training – **Noted.**

80 SODC – Hedge and Tree Fund. **JK has responded to this with photos.**

81 OCC – The Oxfordshire Big Debate. – **Poster has been displayed.**

82 OSCA – Oxfordshire Stronger Communities Fund - **Noted.**

83 OCC – Emergency Planning Events – **Noted.**

84 Local Parish Council Meeting date – 6th October 2010. - **Noted.**

85 OCC – Review of Subsidised Bus Services - **Noted.**

86 St. Giles Church – Thanks Ref Donation from TPC. - **Noted.**

87 M40 CEG – Thanks Ref Donation from TPC. – **Noted.**

88 Clever Curves Limited – Information ref Skateparks. – **Noted.**

Late Correspondence

89 M40 Resurfacing works to reduce noise. – **Noted**

90 Tetsworth Memorial Hall, Key Request – **Noted**

189/10

Any other business for discussion

Electronic Communication. It was noted that the Clerk does not delete any electronic communication. Any relevant information/letters are always copied to the Correspondence file.

Village Tidiness. It was noted that due to lack of funds from the OCC, the village is starting to look quite

untidy. JK has put a notice on the website requesting that everyone keep hedges etc trimmed.
Resolved: To put a notice in the local newsletter.

Refuse Collections. The date of collections for Tetsworth are due to change on the 27th September. It was discussed that residents should take their bins in after collections and not put them out too early.
Resolved: To put a notice in the village newsletter to this effect.

Website. The Clerk reported that the website is updated regularly.
Resolved: That the Councillors let the Clerk note of any changes required to the Website.

Tetsworth Sports and Social Club. JK reported that the TSSC have approached her to get our views on erecting a small picket fence around the club to prevent children running across the cricket path.
Resolved: That we set up a meeting with the TSSC to discuss various issues about the Green.

190/10

Date of Next Meeting
Monday 11th October 2010

THERE BEING NO OTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.16pm