

**Minutes of the Meeting of
Tetsworth Parish Council
Held in the Memorial Hall
at 7.30pm on Monday 11th October 2010**

Present: Cllr. Jenny Kellond (JK) (Chairman)
Cllr. John Thompson (JT)
Cllr. Hazel Bottone (HB)
Cllr. Martin Redman

In Attendance: Cllr. Dorothy Brown

Officer: Sarah Pullen

Members of the Public: 5

191/10 Apologies for Absence
Cllr. Karen Harris, Cllr. Roger Belson, PCSO Jacky Madden

192/10 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.
Cllr. Martin Redman declared a prejudicial interest in the planning application Mount Hill Farm P10/E0917/RET and signed the Declaration of Interest book as he is the owner of this property.

193/10 Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Monday 13th September 2010 to be signed as a correct record
Resolved: That these minutes, are a correct record and that they be signed by the Chairman.

194/10 Matters arising from the minutes
There were none.

195/10 County Councillors Report.
There was no representative.

196/10 District Councillors Report
Bus Passes – In future bus passes will be issued by Oxfordshire County Council and not South Oxfordshire District Council.

Local Development Framework Core Strategy – The District Council are in the process of bringing this document for consultation with the public – all details are on the SODC website.

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

197/10 To receive the Monthly Financial Report

Balances:
Current Account: £31.96
Savings Account: £20155.13

Resolved: To transfer £1500 from deposit account to current account.

The Clerk reported that she has contacted the bank with regards to transferring some of the earmarked funds to a higher interest savings account. Currently the interest rate on the savings account is 0.5%. Interest of 1.45%

can be earned on a 1 year access account. The clerk has confirmed with OALC that this is permissible as elections are due next year.

Resolved: To transfer £10,000 earmarked funds to a 1 year access savings account.

The Clerk also reported that we need to remove Cllr Alan Martin as a signatory from the bank and add Cllr Martin Redman.

Resolved: To amend signatories as discussed.

The Clerk distributed 'Budget' figures to date.

Resolved: That next year's budget is added to next month's agenda for discussion.

198/10

To approve the list of Payments and Expenditure

Resolved: That we pay the following items:

S. Pullen (Clerk)	£ 239.78
Donation to British Legion (Wreath)	£ 60.00
Digley Associates (PATCH Inspection)	£ 47.00
BDO Stoy Hayward (External Auditor)	£ 158.00
Swan Gardens	£ 585.65

199/10

Planning

Planning Decisions

P10/E0917/RET – Change of use of land at Mount Hill Farm – **REFUSED**

Change of use of land at Mount Hill Farm, for the creation of a temporary hardstanding parking area adjacent to London Road.

Resolved: That the Parish Council support this application as there are currently 20 cars using this area for parking which is preventing them parking on the A40. Cllr Redman advised that an appeal will be lodged.

P10/E1233 – Green Sward, Thame Road, Tetsworth – **GRANTED**

Erection of single storey front and side extensions to bungalow.

Planning Applications

P10/E1223/RET - Barn adj Harlesford Cottage, Stoke Talmage Road.

Change of use from agricultural barn to vehicle repair workshop.

NO STRONG VIEWS – We do not see that it shows either benefit or detriment to the village.

200/10

Village Environment

This has been added as an agenda item to ensure that the village is kept tidy following previous comments.

The Clerk reported that SODC and OCC have no plans to clear paths and in particular the A40 following budget cuts. However, it does remain on the list of jobs to be completed.

Resolved: That via the newsletter and website to request that the village is kept tidy.

201/10

Speeding

Peter Ronald has sent the results of the recent traffic survey done in the village. It shows that the only speeding issues are generally during the night and that the rush hour times do not appear to have a problem.

Resolved: The Clerk to send these reports to the school for their information.

202/10

Youth Development on Green

Nothing to report

203/10

Common and Parish Land

JK has passed JT more documents for review with reference to ownership of the green.

Resolved: To add to next month's agenda for discussion.

204/10

M40 Group

JT reported that the resurfacing is still being done at Junction 3.

The M40 Group AGM is on the 18th November in Loudwater. All information for this can be found on the Tetsworth Parish Council website.

205/10

The Patch

The report has now been received from Digley Associates. All risks shown are low risk. They were happy with the depth of the bark.

Resolved: To find out if the repairer of this equipment should have their own public liability insurance or if they are covered under the Parish Council insurance.

206/10

To consider the following correspondence

91 Letter of Resignation as Councillor – Alan Martin

JK thanked Alan for all his hard work as Councillor for Tetsworth over many years.

Resolved: The Clerk to inform SODC and advertise position, including in the newsletter and website.

92 Local Transport Plan (2011 – 2030)

JT to review for next meeting.

93 SODC Leisure Facilities Strategy Consultation

HB to review

94 SODC Planning Services – South Oxfordshire Core Strategy – Review Work – **Noted**

95 OCC – Environment and Economy – Review of Subsidised Bus Services.

JT to review for next meeting.

207/10

Any other business for discussion

War Memorial. KH and HB have volunteered to maintain the war memorial following the resignation of Alan Martin.

Cozens Bequest. Alan Martin will remain as the Parish Council representative on Cozens Bequest.

Local Council Meeting - Thame. JT reported that he attended a meeting in the Thame Town Hall. Brian Spragg from the OALC talked about laws concerning allotments. It was noted that it would be advisable to speak with OALC in the future for advice with regards to allotments.

David Bates from the OCVA (Oxfordshire Community Voluntary Action) spoke about sources of funding and referenced their website. Relevant paperwork has been given to the Clerk for future reference.

208/10

Date of Next Meeting

Monday 8th November 2010

THERE BEING NO OTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.44pm