

## Twyford Parish Council Minutes of the Meeting of the Council

Meeting held at The Loddon Hall, Twyford on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at 7.45 pm.

**Present:** Mr J Bowley (Vice Chairman), Mrs B Ditcham, Mrs L Jarvis (from 6.2 onwards), Mrs T Ramsden, Messrs M Boniface, M Bray, J Jarvis, C Smith, C Wickenden, T Winchester & D White.

**In attendance:** Mrs Bulman, Ruscombe Parish Council, Mr G Starkie & Mr D Turner.

1. **Public questions** – Mr Starkie asked about the measurements of the Thames and Chiltern in Bloom sign. Mr Turner asked about the progress of the Youth Centre Underlease which is with the Parish Lands Committee for approval.
2. **Apologies** - Mrs E Ashley, Mr D Fergusson, Mr R Mantel & Mr R Morris.
3. **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda.** None.
4. **Dispensations** – none.
5. **Minutes of the meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2017.** Approval of the minutes proposed by Mr J Jarvis, seconded Mr M Boniface, motion carried nem con.
6. **Matters arising.**
  - 6.1 Appointment of Councillor representatives – Community Hub – request for permission to appoint a deputy or to appoint 2 representatives. Confirmation from Polehampton Trust that the Council may either appoint a deputy or to appoint 2 representatives. Proposed by Mrs B Ditcham to appoint a deputy, seconded Mrs T Ramsden. Motion carried unanimously. Mr T Winchester proposed appointing Mr J Jarvis as Deputy Community Hub representative, seconded Mr D White, motion carried unanimously.
  - 6.2 Flood Action Group –to appoint Mr Boniface and Mrs Jarvis or other representatives. Mr Wickenden proposed that Mr M Boniface and Mrs L Jarvis be appointed in addition to Mr J Jarvis who had already been appointed. Proposal seconded by Mr C Smith. Motion carried nem con.
  - 6.3 Questions for the Borough Parish Liaison Forum – 03.07.17  
Question agreed:  
The Council would like an update on the current status of the Local Plan. Where are we in the process and what is happening next?
7. **Borough Council Matters.** Mr J Jarvis reported. WBC have confirmed that the Civil Parking Enforcement contract has been selected and the order has been placed. The Local Plan update has gone back to the start again with consideration being made of the 260 sites (sites listed under the ‘call for sites’) as well as 50-60 Local Authority sites. The suitability of sites will be looked at along with consultation with the Parishes and Ward members. The Housing Needs Study is also being looked at again.  
Mrs B Ditcham asked, from Mr Jarvis’s knowledge, should Twyford be concerned about anything? Mr Jarvis reported that there is very little WBC land in Twyford although Hurst is the largest single parish in the Borough and WBC own a number of pieces of land/farmland in Hurst. WBC are letting farms where they are needed as farms. Mr Jarvis reported that the last Strategic Development Locations set of reserved sites are not due to be built until 2026. He spoke about the number of houses required in order to avoid losing planning appeals. WBC plan to publicise their knowledge on the sites and be more transparent with their plans.
8. **Liaison with Ruscombe Parish Council.** Mrs C Bulman reported. The planning application from McCarthy and Stone for London Road has gone to appeal. The

Southbury Lane Overbridge plans have resulted in resident concerns. Negotiations between WBC and the Church/Diocese continue over parking at the new burial site.

**9. Reports and to receive any recommendations from committees:**

9.1 **Planning and Amenities Committee 06.06.17** Mrs Ditcham reported summarising the comments made on the planning applications. Mrs Ditcham highlighted item 8.5.1 - A letter sent to the Leader of Wokingham Borough Council asking for an update on the Local Plan, 10.4 - hanging baskets installed and 10.7 the Springfield Park damaged highways sign has been replaced.

9.2 **Parish Lands Committee & Twyford Village Fete sub committee 13.06.17 & 20.06.17** Mr J Bowley reported. He highlighted items 11.1 – power wash on Bell Corner which has been postponed for this year, 12.2 – delays on the installation of the Children’s playpark and 12.5 – change in process to book the tennis courts.

The Committee **RECOMMEND to Full Council** to allocate £2,500 to purchase 2 goals from MH goals Ltd. Motion carried nem con.

Mr Boniface reported on the Twyford Village Fete sub committee. Two meetings have been held and discussions have taken place on sports events, banners, entertainment, crowd barrier hire, budgets and tug of war competition.

9.3 **Finance and General Purposes Committee 20.06.17 & Twinning meeting 25.05.17** Mr T Winchester reported highlighting items 12 – agreement to purchase a new photocopier, 13 – agreement to organise a new cloud telephone system, and 15 – a Fete twitter account has been set up and discussions took place on using social media through a facebook page.

The Committee **RECOMMEND to Full Council** to increase the telephone budget by £350 in order to cover the increased costs. Motion carried unanimously.

The Committee **RECOMMEND to Full Council** to stop having regular ‘Meet Your Councillor’ sessions. After some discussion motion fell with 4 in favour and 7 against. Agreed to be discussed further in the Finance and General Purposes Committee to look at alternative locations where people will stop to chat.

Mr J Jarvis reported that a Twinning meeting had been held and it was agreed to set up a Twinning Committee which will be run separate to the Council. The meeting also agreed to be present at the Donkey Derby where some interest was expressed in the twinning project.

9.4 **Parking Advisory Committee** – no meeting held

9.5 **Other Representatives reports**

9.5.1 WDALC 30.05.17 – minutes have been circulated.

9.5.2 Twinning meeting 19.06.17 Mr Jarvis reported. There were 8 attendees at the meeting and Mr Jarvis was elected Chairman, Mr G Holmes, Vice-Chairman, Mrs H Winder Secretary. There is presently no treasurer. Minutes have been circulated.

**10. Clerk’s report** – Councillors to let the clerk know the T shirt sizes for the Twyford Village Fete.

**11. Items to be discussed at the next meeting** – no items.

**12. Correspondence:**

12.1 MBE for Drugfam Founder – noted.

12.2 LCR for distribution – noted.

**13. List of authorised payments** – list dated 27.06.17 was circulated. Approval proposed Mr J Jarvis, seconded Mrs B Ditcham, motion carried unanimously.

**14. Dates of meetings:**

**All meetings 7:45pm at Loddon Hall unless noted otherwise.**

Planning and Amenities Committee

04.07.17

Ruscombe Parish Council meeting (LJ)	05.07.17
Community Hub (JB)	06.07.17 (7:30 Burattas)
Meet your councillor session (Teresa Ramsden, John Jarvis, Richard Morris reserve)	08.07.17 (Waitrose café 3-4)
Twyford Village Fete Meeting	11.07.17 (7pm Stanlake Pavilion)
Parish Lands Committee	11.07.17 (Stanlake Pavilion)
Parking Advisory Committee	12.07.17
Twyford Together Awards Evening (JB)	17.07.17 (Burattas 5.15 for 6pm)
Finance Committee	no July meeting

**15. Date of next meeting of the Council – Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2017.**

**The meeting closed at 8:47 pm.**