

Twyford Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council

Meeting held at The Loddon Hall, Twyford on Tuesday 28th June 2016 at 7.45 pm.

Present: Mr R Mantel (Chair), Mrs E Ashley, Mrs B Ditcham, Mrs L Jarvis, Messrs M Boniface, J Jarvis, R Morris, C Smith & C Wickenden.

In attendance: Mr Sherwill (Village Centre Plans), 1 member of the public & 1 member of the press.

1. **Public questions** – none.
2. **Apologies** – Mr J Bowley, Mr M Bedford & Mr D Fergusson.
3. **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda** – none.
4. **Dispensations** – none.
5. **Emma Sowden, Network Rail – Heathrow Link** A copy of the presentation slides will be circulated.
6. **Minutes of the meeting held on 24th May 2016.** Proposed Mr C Smith, seconded Mrs B Ditcham, carried nem con.
7. **Matters arising.**
 - 7.1 Volunteer to design the TPC stand at the Family Picnic. Mrs Ditcham volunteered.
 - 7.2 Flood Action Group – Carried forward so that absent members and non-council members may be considered for this role. Mr J Jarvis, Mr M Boniface and Mrs L Jarvis volunteered to be the Flood Action group contacts.
8. **Borough Council Matters.** Borough Councillor Lindsay Ferris had given his apologies however he reported by email on the meeting held with WBC on the grass cutting contract. Borough Councillor John Jarvis reported on C21C which is the major item to report from WBC. Councillors and officers are revisiting the way which the Council organises its business in order to make substantial savings. New software is being introduced which will make all systems compatible and enable officers to resolve issues without the need for many staff. Mr Jarvis reported on HS2 and the changes being made to make the Twyford Station compatible for Crossrail. WBC, the rail companies and local councillors are talking to try and resolve the parking problems and he urged the Council to join them. Plans have been made for a park and ride scheme, additional parking and discussions are taking place crucially who will fund these schemes.

Mrs Ditcham asked how certain can we be that the Council are included in these parking discussions. Mr Jarvis assured Mrs Ditcham that the Council will be included in meetings.

Mrs Ditcham also asked if there are any changes as part of C21C that will affect Twyford. Will the Sure Start children's centre be affected? Mr Jarvis responded that this will form part of the asset review.

Mr R Morris reported that the Stanlake Lane rural footpath is overgrown and leaf debris needs scraping back. Mrs Ditcham had reported this when she met WBC'S Peter Baveystock. Agreed for the clerk to report again.
9. **Liaison with Ruscombe Parish Council.** Mrs C Bulman had given her apologies. There were no questions for Ruscombe Parish Council.
10. **Reports and to receive any recommendations from committees:**
 - 10.1 **Planning and Amenities Committee 07.06.16 & Website sub committee 28.06.16** Mrs Ditcham reported on the meeting and highlighted that the Thames and

Chiltern judges would be visiting Twyford for the judging on 7th July. Mrs Ditcham and the clerk will meet with the judges. Mr Boniface would like to put the Village Centre plans forward to WBC'S Malcolm Richards. Agreed that as the plans have been revised the Planning and Amenities committee will revisit them before making a recommendation to the Full Council meeting in July.

10.2 Parish Lands Committee 14.06.16 & Family Picnic sub committee 14.06.16

Mrs Jarvis reported on the meeting and Mr Boniface confirmed that the Family Picnic plans are going well. The KGVR aerial runway wire was reported as needing adjustment.

10.3 Finance and General Purposes Committee – no meeting due to insufficient business.

10.4 Other Representatives reports – no other reports.

11. Clerk's report no matters to report.

12. Councillor Questions Mr M Boniface asked whether the Council feels that it should lead in the quest to help solve Twyford's station parking problems by considering the development of part of the Hurst Road allotment land to provide a considerable income stream for the Council which could fund future projects in the village? Agreed for all the committees to give consideration to this question and to report back to the July Full Council meeting.

13. Correspondence

13.1 LCR magazines – circulated.

13.2 WBC – Our 21st Century Programme – circulated by email. Agreed to invite Keith Baker, Leader of the Council and Andy Couldrick, Chief Executive to the September Council meeting.

13.3 McCarthy & Stone – exhibition 7th June – details circulated by email. Noted.

13.4 Wokingham Town Council – Mayor & deputy appointments – circulated by email. Noted.

13.5 Alastair Lloyd, Neighbourhood Inspector, Thames Valley Police – agreed to invite to talk at the October Council meeting.

13.6 GWR Customer & Communities Improvement Fund – circulated by email. Agreed to diarise for the Finance committee's consideration for the 2017 fund.

13.8 Police & Crime commissioner survey – circulated by email.

14. List of authorised payments – list dated 28.06.16 proposed Mr C Smith, seconded Mr C Wickenden, carried unanimously.

15. Dates of meetings:

Family Picnic sub committee (all welcome)	05.07.16 (7pm)
Planning and Amenities Committee	05.07.16
Ruscombe Parish Council meeting (LJ)	06.07.16
Meet your councillor session	09.07.16 (Waitrose 3-4)
Mr C Smith, Mrs E Ashley and Mrs L Jarvis (reserve)	
Parish Lands Committee	12.07.16
Finance Committee	19.07.16
Twyford Citizen of the Year	September

16. Date of next meeting – Tuesday 26th July 2016.

The meeting closed at 9:28 pm.