

Twyford Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council

Meeting held at The Loddon Hall, Twyford on Tuesday 25th July 2017 at 7.45 pm.

Present: Mr R Mantel (Chairman), Mrs E Ashley, Mrs B Ditcham, Mrs L Jarvis, Mrs T Ramsden, Messrs M Boniface, J Bowley, J Jarvis, C Wickenden & T Winchester.

1. **Public questions** – No questions.
2. **Apologies** – Mr M Bray, Mr D Fergusson & Mr R Morris.
3. **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda.** None.
4. **Dispensations** – none.
5. **Minutes of the meeting held on 27th June 2017.** Approval of the minutes proposed by Mr J Jarvis, seconded Mr M Boniface, motion carried nem con.
6. **No matters arising.**
7. **Borough Council Matters.** Mr J Jarvis reported. The Council have said goodbye to Andy Couldrick, their Chief Executive. Graham Ebers is taking the role over temporarily. Local Plan update – Mr Jarvis reported an effect on appeals with 14 currently outstanding. WBC recently won an appeal – the inspector had gone beyond his remit. He reported on the 5 year land supply – 10,900 houses have been approved and not built. Every Local Plan site is being looked at to consider whether it is viable, sustainable and to look at the pros and cons. Once this is done Parishes will be consulted. Mr Jarvis reported a reduction in the housing need in WBC.
8. **Liaison with Ruscombe Parish Council.** Mrs C Bulman had given her apologies. There were no reports.
9. **Reports and to receive any recommendations from committees:**
 - 9.1 **Planning and Amenities Committee 04.07.17** Mrs Ditcham highlighted item 6.5.1 – Meeting of the Northern Parishes to be held on 20/09/2017, 8.1 – issues with traffic lights to be reported as delays are exacerbating the air quality problems – agreed to ask for the technology to be updated to avoid waiting times, 8.4 – Twyford in Bloom went well and 8.10 – SID – clerk to follow up progress.
 - 9.2 **Parish Lands Committee & Twyford Village Fete sub committee 11.07.17** Mr J Bowley reported. He highlighted items 5 – Tennis Club request for support with an LTA grant, 10.3 – decision to engage mole catcher for the burial ground, 10.4 – measuring up for columbarium style edging, 12.4 – approval for Hermitage Drive gate repairs and 12.5 approval for replacing the missing gate rung. Mrs Ditcham passed on thanks and compliments from parents on the playpark refurbishment. Mr M Boniface reported on the Twyford Village Fete Committee. He asked for volunteers for help on the day of the fete.
 - 9.3 **Finance and General Purposes Committee** - no meeting held.
 - 9.4 **Parking Advisory Committee – 12.07.17** Mr R Mantel reported. Mr Tom Pierpoint attended from GWR and fielded questions. He dismissed the idea of purchasing land off the Hurst Road for a car park. Mr R Morris has drafted and circulated a report which will be considered by the committee at their next meeting. Mrs T Ramsden asked if the area of woods behind the coal yard had been considered by GWR.
 - 9.5 **Other Representatives reports**
 - 9.5.1 **Twinning meeting** – Mr J Jarvis reported. Things are moving forward slowly. Firstly the group will sort the constitution out and they hope to have some plans in place by November 2018 to celebrate the centenary of the end WW1.

9.5.2 Community Hub meeting – Mr J Jarvis reported. WBC's Norman Jorgensen and Mark Redfearn attended. They want to push the plan forward and put a plan together. WBC will be putting a lump sum in however this is in lieu of 20 years rent.

9.5.3 Borough Parish Liaison Forum Agenda – 03.07.17 Mr Mantel reported on the 21st century Council and election of officers. Minutes will be circulated.

9.5.4 Meet your Councillor 15.07.17 - Mrs T Ramsden reported. Residents asked for an update on the Community Hub, a resident report that the Stanlake Meadow (Winchcombe Road) style is too high – it needs an extra step on the Waltham Road side and lastly, it was raised that the Twyford in Bloom sign did not have any recognition to Twyford Together. Agreed to refer these items to the Parish Lands Committee.

9.5.5 Twyford Citizen of the Year award - Mr J Bowley reported that Mrs Jenny Hay had been surprised and delighted to receive the award.

10. Clerk's report A letter of resignation had been received from Mr C Smith. Agreed to invite Mr Smith to the September meeting. The Councillor vacancy will be advertised.

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

12. Correspondence:

12.1 Twyford Twinning Association minutes – Noted.

12.2 Borough Parish Liaison Forum Agenda - 3 July 2017. Noted.

12.3 Minutes for the WDALC meeting - 30 May 2017. Noted.

12.4 Polehampton Trust accounts were available. To be circulated between Mr J Bowley, Mr D Fergusson, Mr R Mantel, Mr C Wickenden & Mr T Winchester. Noted.

13. List of authorised payments – no list was issued.

14. Dates of meetings:

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

Planning and Amenities Committee	01.08.17
Twyford Village Fete	08.08.17 (Stanlake Pavilion 7pm)
Planning and Amenities Committee	05.09.17
Ruscombe Parish Council meeting (LJ)	06.09.17
Meet your councillor session	09.09.17 (Waitrose café 3-4)
Mrs L Jarvis & Mr J Jarvis with Mr T Winchester as reserve	
Parish Lands Committee	12.09.17
Parking Advisory Committee	
Finance Committee	19.09.17
Northern Parishes Local Plan meeting	20.09.17 (7:30pm)

15. Date of next meeting of the Council – Tuesday 26th September 2017.

The meeting closed at 20:53 pm.