

Twyford Parish Council Minutes of the Meeting of the Council

Meeting held at The Loddon Hall, Twyford on Tuesday 25th June 2019 at 7.45 pm.

Present: Mr R Mantel (Chairman), Mr R Abeywardana, Mrs E Ashley, Mr J Bowley, Mr M Bray, Mrs J Duffield, Mr J Jarvis, Mrs L Jarvis, Mrs T Ramsden (until item 17.18), Mrs C Scull & Mr T Winchester.

In attendance: Mr P Cassidy (Ruscombe Parish Council), Mr S Conway (Borough Councillor), Mr G Holmes (TRIP), Mr W Smith (Borough Councillor), Mr P Williams (to be considered for co-option), Mrs S Wisdom (to be considered for co-option) & reporter from Maidenhead Advertiser.

Clerk in attendance: Mrs L Moffatt.

1. **Public questions** none.
2. **Apologies** - Mrs B Ditcham & Mr C Wickenden.
3. **To consider applications & vote on co-option. Decision on which committee the new councillor will serve on.** Information had been circulated on the two candidates. Mr R Abeywardana asked the candidates what their main incentive was to join the Council. Mrs Wisdom has served on the fete committee for three years and would like to be involved with the more serious business of the Council. Mr Williams was raised in Twyford, his children growing up in Twyford, he has been involved with Twyford Together and Twyfest, and would like to give something back to the village. A vote was taken with 2 in favour of Mr P Williams, 9 in favour of Mrs S Wisdom. Mrs S Wisdom was duly co-opted. Proposed Mr J Jarvis, seconded Mr M Bray that Mrs S Wisdom should serve on the Parish Lands and Fete committees. Motion carried unanimously.
4. **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda.** Mrs L Jarvis reported an interest in item 12.3 - Polehampton Swimming Association grant request. She withdrew from voting on this item.
5. **Dispensations.** None.
6. **Minutes of the meeting held on 21st May 2019.** Approval of the amended minutes as a true and accurate record proposed Mr M Bray, seconded Mrs E Ashley, motion carried nem con.
7. **Matters arising.** None.
8. **Twyford Rethinks its Plastic (TRIP) – Mr G Holmes** Presentation circulated to councillors. TPC actions as follows: 1) To pass a resolution to support the journey to Twyford's plastic free status, committing to plastic free alternatives and plastic-free initiatives within the parish; 2) To elect a stakeholder as TPC's representative on the TRIP committee (Mrs T Ramsden has shown an interest); 3) To request TPC Fete stall holders to be plastic free; 4) To encourage use of ecobricks and find uses for them in the village ie benches. A brief discussion took place on how the council can help reduce plastic usage on their parish lands and ways to make it easier for residents to recycle. Items to be added to next months agenda and relevant committees to also give consideration.
9. **Borough Council Matters.**
Borough Councillor Mr W Smith updated the council on the Local Plan engagement saying that the steering group have gone back to the beginning. He urged the council to provide updates on the call for sites especially if comments weren't previously made and particularly on the site to the north of the A4. Wokingham Borough Council are looking to take legal action against the government to challenge the housing numbers required.
Borough Councillor Mr S Conway reported on meetings with WBC officers on recycling, residents only parking on Ruscombe Road and Brook Street, Twyford crossroads green wall and Twyford community hub. He reported that he would have liked a longer consultation time on the Housing Target survey.

- 10. Liaison with Ruscombe Parish Council.** Mr P Cassidy reported on the Ruscombe Parish Council neighbourhood plan and CIL funds.
- 11. Appointment of Ms C Scull to committee** Proposed Mr J Jarvis, seconded Mr T Winchester to appoint Mrs C Scull to the Planning & Amenities committee. Motion carried unanimously.
- 12. Reports and to receive any recommendations from committees:**
- 12.1** Planning and Amenities Committee & Neighbourhood Plan 04.06.19 Mr J Jarvis reported highlighting item 9.7. Mrs E Ashley reported on the Neighbourhood Plan sub-committee meeting highlighting the data entry of the questionnaires.
- 12.2** Parish Lands Committee 11.06.19 Mr J Bowley reported highlighting items 9,15.6 and 16.2.
- 12.3** Finance and General Purposes Committee 18.06.19 Mr T Winchester reported highlighting item 9 – that the office mobile phone contracts wont be renewed as the clerk and assistant clerk are using their own phones.
Budget and Capital statement to 31.03.19 – circulated by email – noted.
Following a review the committee **RECOMMEND to Full Council** no change to the Bullying & Harassment policy. Motion carried unanimously.
Following a review the committee **RECOMMEND to Full Council** no change to the Handling complaints procedure policy. Motion carried unanimously.
The committee recommend a loan of £5,000 to be repaid over 5 years to Polehampton Swimming Association. Motion carried unanimously.
- 12.4** Fete Committee 11.06.19 & 25.06.19 Mr M Bray summarised the fete committee minutes highlighting the appointment of a new chairman and vice chairman, approval of the temporary events notice, flyers to be distributed by RG10, posters available for councillors to arrange display and banners being produced.
- 13. Other representatives reports**
- 13.1** Community Hub – no report.
- 14. Clerk's report** The clerk requested help to distribute the fete posters and help required on the day.
- 15. APM question** – Mr M Yeates – Why are Mr & Mrs Jarvis standing for election?
Mr Mantel asked the clerk to respond saying that candidates are entitled to stand if they have lived in the parish/community area or within three miles of it during the whole of the 12 months before the day of nomination and the day of election.
- 16. Items to be discussed at the next meeting** In addition to the TPC actions from the Twyford Rethinks its Plastic presentation Mr R Abeywardana asked for the council to consider setting up a Twyford Green Taskforce and less duplication and a Cleaner Greener Twyford.
- 17. Correspondence (circulated to councillors by email):**
- 17.1** Twinning Association Minutes 09.05.19 (circulated 17.05.19) Noted.
- 17.2** Twyford Rethinks its Plastic (circulated 17.05.19) Noted.
- 17.3** NALC/LGRC Expo- 6 weeks to go (circulated 20.05.19) Noted.
- 17.4** May Half term activities at Wokingham Borough Libraries (circulated 20.05.19) Noted.
- 17.5** The Chain Newsletter (circulated 20.05.19) Noted.
- 17.6** BALC Training Calendar for 2019 (circulated 23.05.19) Noted.
- 17.7** Action for All E-Bulletin (circulated 03.06.19) Noted.
- 17.8** Ruscombe Parish Council agenda 05.06.19 (circulated 03.06.19) Noted.
- 17.9** WBC - New Council Leader Elected and Executive Announced (circulated 03.06.19) Noted.
- 17.10** WBC – chance for cyclists to win £750 (circulated 06.06.19) Noted.
- 17.11** CCB - Invitation to attend Training Opportunities in Berkshire (circulated 10.06.19) Noted.
- 17.12** 2019 Community Forums - mark your calendars (circulated 11.06.19) Noted.
- 17.13** Notice of Casual Vacancy (circulated 11.06.19) Noted.
- 17.14** Major development community forums (circulated 18.06.19) Noted.

17.15 Norfolk Boreas Offshore Wind Farm - Development Consent Order Application Submitted (circulated 18.06.19) Noted.

17.16 BALC June Newsletter (circulated 18.06.19) Noted.

17.17 Request for Earley Mayor to wear chains of office 04.09.19 Respond as this is not within Twyford Parish.

17.18 Age Concern AGM 17.07.19 Mrs Ramsden to attend.

17.19 WBC – Cycle maps for circulation. Noted.

18. List of authorised payments – list dated 25/06/19. Approval proposed Mrs E Ashley, seconded Mrs L Jarvis, motion carried unanimously.

19. Dates of meetings:

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

Borough Parish Liaison Forum (RM & JB)	01.07.19
Neighbourhood Plan Working Group meeting (7:30 pm Stanlake Pavilion)	01.07.19
Neighbourhood Plan Sub Committee 7pm	02.07.19
Planning and Amenities Committee	02.07.19
Ruscombe Parish Council meeting (LJ)	03.07.19
Parish Lands Committee (Stanlake Pavilion)	09.07.19
Meet your councillor session	13.07.19
Waitrose café 3-4	
Mrs T Ramsden & Mr M Bray with Mr M Alder as reserve	
Twyford Together Awards evening	15.07.19
6pm Buratta's	
Finance Committee	16.07.19
Fete Committee 7pm	23.07.19
Neighbourhood Plan public meeting (TBC)	12.09.19

20. Date of next meeting of the Council Tuesday 23rd July 2019.

Part 2 – Citizen of the Year Award

Part 2 Confidential Information

Item 12.3 discussion – Citizen of the Year Award.

The Council agreed that as confidential items were to be discussed the Chairman invoked Standing Order 1C “That in view of the special or confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public and press be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw”. Proposed Mr T Winchester, seconded Mrs E Ashley, carried unanimously. The public left the meeting.

The 2019 Twyford Citizen of the Year was reported.

The meeting closed at 9.26 pm.