

Twyford Parish Council Minutes of the Meeting of the Council

Meeting held at The Loddon Hall, Twyford, on Tuesday 16th July 2002, at 7.45 p.m.

Present: Mr D Hymers (Chairman) Mrs L Dane, Mrs G Wright, Messrs J Bowley, N Crush, R Dean, J Fort, K Hogg, R Mantel, B Rogers, M Stillman and R Thomas.

In attendance: Miss F Penn (Clerk), Mrs D Tomlin, 1 member of the press.

1. Public questions-none

2. Apologies- Mrs C Wilson, Dr M Garrard, Mr S Conway.

3. Co-Option of Councillor- Mr Hymers proposed, seconded by Mrs Dane Mr T Lemare for the vacancy of Councillor. The Council co-opted Mr T Lemare, 10 for, 1 abstain.

4. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda – none

5. Minutes of the meeting held on 25th June 2002 – these were amended then approved and signed.

6. Matters Arising-

6.1 Annual return and Financial Statements for year ended 31 March 2002-Mr Mantel proposed, seconded by Mrs Wright that the Council approve the annual return and the financial statements as circulated by the Clerk. Agreed unanimously. The Clerk reported Mr G Weir had accepted the post as Internal Auditor, and would carry out the audit on Wednesday 14th August.

6.2 Response to latest proposal of the Boundary Commission- Mr Hymers proposed, seconded by Mr Hogg, that the response proposed by the Finance and General Purposes Committee be sent to the Boundary Commission, agreed unanimously. The Clerk to arrange and circulate copies to the District Councillors, the local MP and the neighbouring parishes. The Council thanked Mrs Dane for her efforts.

6.3 Arrangements for the Public Consultation Exhibition- This is booked for 31st August at St Mary's Centre. The working party to meet up before the date to design the form. Mrs Dane to liaise with Mr Middleton over the leaflet to be distributed, which will be vetted by the working party.

6.4 Twyford Parish Council website- The website is up and running. Planning and Amenities to look at the option of a "what the Council can do for you" page. The Clerk to report any spelling mistakes.

7. Liaison with Ruscombe Parish Council.- Mrs Dane reported on the new car parking layout and the stolen jubilee bench.

8. District Council Matters- Mrs Tomlin reported on-

1. The D.C's response to the boundary commission proposals.

2. Various highways matters including the safer routes to school for the Piggott school and Colleton school.

3. The current crime statistics and the campaign for CCTV for Tywford.

8.1 Mr Conway reported via the Clerk on the refusal of planning permission for 1 Longfield Road and 15 New Road.

8.2 Mrs Dane asked about the District Councillors new roles under the new administration.

9. Reports:

9.1 Planning and Amenities Committee 01.07.02- Mrs Dane reported on-

1. The planning application at the Piggott School and the application for industrial use at Crumley Farm.
2. The current state of play with the lights at Wargrave Road. The Clerk has requested a copy of the original quote for verification purposes.
3. The village enhancements should be installed soon.

9.2 Parish Lands Committee 03.07.02- Mr Fort had nothing further to add.

9.3 Finance Committee 09.07.02- Mr Mantel reported-

1. The Committee RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL that no grant be awarded to install new windows at Loddon Hall for the time being until the proposed meeting between the Council , Ruscombe P.C. and the TRCA has taken place in early September to discuss the future of the hall. The Council will remind TRCA that they can draw down the £7473 investment monies the Council holds for them. The Clerk to write to that effect. The meeting will be held on Thursday 5th September, 8pm at Loddon Hall.
2. The Committee RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL (under section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972) that a grant of £150 be awarded to Henley and District Citizens Bureau. Agreed unanimously.

9.4 TVCMI- update in September.

9.5 Clerk's report-

1. The Clerk will be on holiday from 24th July-3rd August. The Ranger will have Mrs Dane and Mr Fort's numbers as emergency contacts.
2. The Clerk reported on the broken skylights at Stanlake Meadow cost £228 +vat. Parish Lands to consider the installation of grilles.
3. The annual inspection for the playground had been carried out and repairs would be needed up to a cost of £550.
4. One quote had been received for the tennis courts and security fencing around the clubhouse. The contractors advice was the fencing should take place after the court installation. Parish Lands to consider the quotes at their next meeting and the Clerk to inform the tennis club re the state of play.

9.6 Hurst Consolidated Charity Meeting 11.07.02- Mr Mantel reported on their problems with the cost of grass cutting and the alarms. The Clerk to assess the grass cutting needs and report back.

10. Councillors questions. –

- 10.1 Mrs Dane raised the planning application received for a new railway station at the Thames Valley Park. It was agreed for the Council to express its support at the District Parish Conference.
- 10.2 Mr Stillman asked about the bins at the Doctors Surgery which are pushed against the allotment fence enabling people to climb in and are damaging the fence. The Clerk to write to the Surgery reminding them of the original application which indicated repairs would be effected after the work was complete and to ask them to move the bins.
- 10.3 Mr Rodgers asked if any response had been received over the damaged wall in outside Londis. The Clerk to chase.
- 10.4 Mr Rodgers asked about inviting the local police along to the next Council meeting. The Council decided that sufficient communication is taking place already with the police.
- 10.5 Mr Hogg asked about the TVCMI. Mrs Dane referred him to the report in the last minutes and the forthcoming report at the next Council meeting.

11. Correspondence

- 11.1 Letter from resident re Jubilee Clock-noted with thanks.
- 11.2 Notice of BALC Planning Conference 28th September 2002-The Clerk to bring forward for Planning and Amenities meeting.

- 11.3 WDC letter re Best Value Performance Plan 2001/2 –noted
 11.4 Readibus Accounts and Annual report-noted
 11.5 Response from WDC re the request for CCTV for Twyford.- The Council is disappointed to note there are no plans for CCTV in the first phase of installation due to insufficient funds.
 11.6 Two letters received from Wargrave Road residents re the skatepark- the Clerk to acknowledge.
 11.7 District Parish Conference 24th July- Mr Mantel notified the Council of the agenda items raised by the local parishes.

12. Cheques signed-		£		£	
002013	Zurich	2332.67	002014	CBS	21.35
002015	H A Woods	207.79	002016	Care Solutions	376.00
002017	Twyford Land's	1075.00	002018	WDC	1218.00
002019	C & S	27.73	002020	Thrower Signs	188.00
002021	Agric & Est.	1263.13	002022	TRCA	31.90
002023	SEC	241.61	002024	TURC	9.45
002025	SEC	249.32	002026	Polystat	44.80
002027	Care Solutions	260.00	002028	Woodley Glass	267.90
002029	Twyford Electrics	281.00	002030	Wickstead Leisure	35.25
002031	H A Woods	179.30	002032	S Hughes	240.00
002033	L Lewington	72.00	002034	F J Penn	903.57
002035	I.R.	190.37	002036	J Locke	458.00
002037	CBS	21.35	002038	S Hughes	240.00
002039	L Lewington	72.00	002040	F J Penn	814.38
002041	I.R.	190.38	002042	J Locke	445.00

13. Dates of meetings:

Planning and Amenities Committee	5.08.02
Planning and Amenities Committee	2.09.02
Parish Lands Committee	4.09.02
Finance Committee	10.09.02
Meet the Public	20.07.02
Meet the Public	14.09.02

14. Date of next meeting 17th September 2002

The meeting closed at 9.18 p.m.

ACTION POINTS ARISING FROM THE MEETING 16.07.02

1. The Clerk to contact Mr T Lemare re his appointment as Councillor
2. The Clerk to send the response to the Boundary Commission and to circulate copies to the District Councillors, the local MP and the neighbouring parishes.
3. Skatepark-The working party to meet up before the date to design the form. Mrs Dane to liaise with Mr Middleton over the leaflet to be distributed, which will be vetted by the working party.
4. Website-Planning and Amenities to look at the option of a “what the Council can do for you” page. The Clerk to report any spelling mistakes.
5. The Clerk to write to TRCA and Henley CAB re their grant requests.
6. The Clerk to inform the tennis club re the state of play on refurbishment proposals..
7. The Clerk to assess the grass cutting needs and report back for HCC.
8. Allotment fence-The Clerk to write to the Surgery reminding them of the original application which indicated repairs would be effected after the work was complete and to ask them to move the bins.
9. The Clerk to chase re the wall outside Londis.