

BAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL
Ordinary meeting of the council held on 9th September 2015
at 7.30pm in the Town Hall

PRESENT: Cllrs J Allinson, in the Chair, R Wilkins, P Smith, D Clarke, N Thorpe, R McBrien, & D Hussell.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs C Street, Clerk to the Parish Council, District Cllrs M Barrett & T Fenton, County Cllr J Mills

15/172 Apologies for absence
 Cllrs H Rainey, S Taylor

15/173 Variation of order of business
 None

15/174 Declarations of interest
 None given.

15/175 District & County Councillors' Reports
Oxfordshire County Council (OCC):

- There is an A40 strategy public meeting in Witney on Saturday 26th September 10am-4pm. It was agreed that a parish councillor would attend.
- Following a proposal for a new service, children's centres and early intervention hubs, including Bampton, are due to close.
- The opening from the farmer's field onto the A4095 is allowed for agricultural vehicles.

West Oxfordshire District Council (WODC)

- There is a Household Waste Management consultation (see item 15/191)

15/176 Confirmation of minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th August 2015 were signed as a true record.

15/177 Actions update

See attached list.

15/178 Notices of planning decisions

15/02165/HHD	Two storey & single storey extension and detached car port. Fishers Bridge Cottage, Buckland Road, Bampton. APPROVED
15/02221/FUL	Alterations and erection of single and two storey extensions. Rosebank Care Home, High Street, Bampton. REFUSED

15/179 Planning applications

No ref. given	Rupert Goody Plants Ltd premises licence NO OBJECTION
15/03108/HHD	Remove existing garage. Erect single and two storey side extensions. 12 Glebelands NO OBJECTION

15/180 Finance and Accounts for Payment

The following cheques were approved and signed:

Chris Smith	August grass cutting	£1609.00
Louise Williams	Lengthsman expenses	£22.59
Post Office	Cleaning products	£12.88
Cathy Street	Postage	£8.55
David Hawkins	Reimbursement flood prevention from Bampton Community Shop funding	£49.31
SJ Haulage	Flood prevention from Bampton Community Shop funding	£1176
ESPO	TOSCC cleaning supplies	£95.35
ROSPA	Annual inspections	£266.40
OALC	Training course	£78
Bampton Beam	ERP Beam insert	£1150

15/181 Mercury Court Playing field Report

Monthly checks were not completed this month due to Cllr illness, however councillors were notified of two reported incidents prior to this meeting. The Lengthsman has been given cat repellent to deter their visits to the play bark.

15/182 Old School Community Centre (TOSCC) report

A short update report was given and the following resolutions were made:

- Expenditure of £150 for clearing the guttering was approved, although this work is not to be completed until after the autumn leaf fall.
- It was agreed we can use any supplier for cleaning supplies.
- A meeting was held between Cllrs Thorpe, Smith and Allinson with Karmil Bader of OCC. Karmil went away with all the details regarding the lights and pavours. Following on from this we await an appointment with Richard Stanbrook of Carillion to attend TOSCC with an electrical contractor to resolve the lights issues. Cllr Thorpe to get confirmation that this is at no cost to the parish council.
- There is now a comments book in the main hall for feedback.

15/183 Cemetery report

- The over grown conifer has been removed by someone since the last meeting and is no longer an issue.
- In the absence of Cllr Rainey, arrangements for repairing the hole in the wall will be postponed until the October council meeting.

15/184 Report on village matters (received after agenda was set)

- An offer of free salt for the salt bins was received from OCC. Cllrs nearest the salt bins to check levels and report back to the clerk.
- A complaint was received about the bench around the tree in the market square being unsafe. Cllr Thorpe to report this to Fix My Street.
- Cllr Allinson received correspondence from Brize Norton parish council questioning the need for a fire station at Carterton, which is proposed in the draft structure plan. Cllr Allinson to write to the chief fire officer to find out if this area is still adequately served by Bampton and Burford fire stations.

15/185 Correspondence

Sewage issues	2 x emails received from residents asking the parish council to contact Thames Water. <i>Clerk to draft letter to Thames Water asking for them to identify the cause of the problems.</i>
(Former) Bampton Youth Centre Mgt Committee	Letter outlining Charity Commission information <i>Cllr Allinson to attend their committee meeting.</i>
Gladman	Letter regarding Aston Road Development appeal ref APP/D3125/A/14/2217185 <i>Cllr McBrien to draft a letter of response and circulate to all councillors.</i>
Sallie Martin and Chris Truman	Letter regarding tree needing pruning in Chetwynd Mead <i>According to our recent tree survey it was not deemed to be a hazard at this time. A quote for 375 + VAT was received to prune the tree and it was RESOLVED that the parish council would offer to pay half the costs, or, if that wasn't acceptable, that it will be surveyed next time and action will be taken when the survey says it is required.</i>
Cllr Guy Wiseman	Letter of resignation received.

15/186 To discuss backing up electronic files to the cloud.

It was RESOLVED that Cllr Clarke would investigate drop box and report back.

15/187 Pedestrian crossings

Following investigation into costs for installing pedestrian crossing (up to £30k), it was deemed too expensive.

15/188 Provision of a rubbish bin outside the Co-Op

Cllr Hussell is awaiting contact from the co-op manager regarding reinstating a bin outside the shop.

15/189 Car parking limit in the market square

It was suggested that we decrease the parking limit from 4 hours to 2 hours. This would require a traffic regulation order. Cllr Hussell to get a price.

15/190 Response to Minerals and Waste consultation

Cllr McBrien to find out views of AGGROW and whether they want us to write in support of the consultation.

15/191 Household waste recycling centres consultation

Cllr Smith to look into this further regarding the parish council response. It was agreed to advertise the consultation on facebook and on the website for all residents to comment.

15/192 Public participation

Excessive litter was reported along Weald street. Clerk to contact WODC.

With no further business to discuss the meeting finished at 9.34pm.

Signed.....

Dated.....

ACTION LIST

ITEM	ACTION TAKEN	NAME	BY DATE
Town Hall roof	Get quotes to insulate the roof	DH, LW	Before winter
Draw up plan of newer part of cemetery	This has not been received by the deadline set.	JA	On going
Installation of Post Office WC	This project is to be passed onto the new councillors responsible for the town hall. Handover of duties is needed. Clerk to forward notes from Ex-Cllr Betty	DH, LW Clerk	On going
Purchase of additional land for the cemetery	Cllr Rainey to send to send OS map with land marked to Carter Jonas so they can provide a quote.	HR	Oct meeting
Weightlifters signed rental agreement for TOSCC	This has been chased by the Clerk but no response has been received.	Clerk	On going
Carillion	Carillion have sent an email to apologise for the delay in the issue of the maintenance contract and said they will review it. The Clerk has pursued again by email/telephone but still no response received.	Clerk	On going
Grass Cutting Contract	Chris Smith has a large scale map to mark the areas he currently cuts. Cllr Clarke to follow up.	DC	Oct
Heavy vehicles along Church Street/Church View	Traffic regulation order and signage would cost up to £4k so alternative options are being investigated. Cllr McBrien to get list of coach companies from the Archives and draft letter. Chase Tim Shickle of OCC re. raising the tree canopy. OCC Footpaths are responsible for the pathways crossing the triangle of land outside the church. Clerk to write letter.	RM DH Clerk	Oct

Carillion/lighting repairs at TOSCC	Cllr Thorpe to get confirmation that lighting repair is at no cost to the parish council.	NT	
Salt bins	Cllrs living nearest the salt bins to check levels and report back to the clerk.	JA, DH, NT, RMc	
Market Square bench	Report this to Fix My Street	NT	
Proposal of fire station at Carterton	Write to the chief fire officer	JA	
Tree in Ampney Orchard	Cllr Wilkins to respond to resident.	RW	
Cloud storage	Investigate drop box	DC	
Co-op bin	Talk to store manager	DH	
Market sq parking limit	Get price for Traffic Regulation order to change parking limit	DH	
Littering in Weald	Report to Dave Austin at WODC	Clerk	
Household waste collection sites	Respond to consultation	PS	By consult deadline
Minerals and Waste consultation	find out views of AGGROW and whether they want us to write in support of the consultation.	RMc	