

BISHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Bisham Parish Council Meeting 15th August, 2016

Attendees

Cllr Alan Keene (Chair) (AK), Cllr Iain Steedman (IS), Cllr Margaret Cubley (MCu), Cllr Mandy Robson Brown (MRB) Cllr Mary Cooper (MCo).

Cllr Richard Kellaway (Bisham and Cookham Ward Councillor)

Mr Tabish Wazir (Acting Clerk) - TW

Member of the press: Mr James Harrison, Maidenhead Advertiser

Public Forum

Mr Nick Read and Ms Sarah Hale from the Environment Agency updated the Parish Council on the Marlow flood relief scheme; they stated that it has been progressing well, and that they now have a detailed design, with this project currently at the peer review stage. Furthermore, that it was very close to receiving the authorisation to begin, and that the Parish Council would receive a report back on the modelling along with timescales shortly.

With regard to Bisham, they stated that they were aiming to go out to a wider consultation, with a drop in session planned for September. A press release would be issued, and the clerk would be notified of further details. Ideas for Bisham were being discussed, with temporary defences in mind. Nick informed the Parish Council that they were working with engineers to gather information, also looking at optimising designs using modelling. He also mentioned that they would be greatly receptive to Parish Council views and suggestions.

They went on to explain that temporary measures are deployed to predetermined locations, and that they have national controls to allocate resources. Alongside this, long term robust mitigation was being examined on a national scale; measures such as angled barriers and so on.

A member of the public had read the Maidenhead Advertiser and was interested in Cllr. Alan Keene's comment regarding Beech Lodge's history. He queried whether the Parish Council would be considering appealing against the Minister's decision. Cllr. Keene informed them that the Parish Council had not discussed whether the matter would be pursued any further.

A member of the public was interested in the legal fee expenditure of the parish council on the Beech Lodge Inquiry. They stated that they had not seen this information available anywhere. Cllr. Keene assured them that the Parish Council had published these figures on our website, however this would be checked.

This member of the public also claimed that the accounts to March 31st 2016 were not accessible.

ACTION – BM to ensure that all of these figures were accessible for the public to view. All information relating to the Parish Councils actions for the Beech Lodge Inquiry would be published if this was not already on the website.

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A member of the public queried whether the Parish Council had taken advice on what VAT for the legal fees could be reclaimed. Cllr. Keene informed them that the Parish Council had not. The member of the public stated that they would be writing to the auditor to ensure that there are no issues with the Parish Council's accounts.

Part One

53) Apologies for absence

Cllr Jim Cooke (JC)

54) Declarations of Interest

Cllr Mandy Robson Brown declared a personal interest regarding a planning application submitted for the Parish Council's consideration (16/02291); she said that she shares ownership of the meadow behind the property, with other residents in Grubwood Lane and Hockett Lane.

55) Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 18th July 2016 were signed as a true record.

56) Matters Arising from Parish Council Meeting 18th July, 2016

TW updated the Parish Council on developments relating to action points highlighted during the previous meetings. See Action List (attached)

57) Planning matters

Application Ref	Address	Cllrs' Comments
16/02049	Linden House, Stoney Ware, Bisham Road, Bisham, Marlow SL7 1RN	The Parish Council OBJECTS on the grounds that the proposal would constitute overdevelopment, of a site which also lies within the conservation area.
16/02259	Little Pinkneys, Lee Lane, Maidenhead SL6 6PE	The Parish Council has NO OBJECTIONS.
16/02291	Highwood Cottage, Grubwood Lane, Cookham Dean, Maidenhead SL6 9UD	The Parish Council has NO OBJECTIONS.
16/02343	Dominies Den, Burchetts Green Road, Burchetts Green, Maidenhead SL6 6QS	The Parish Council has NO OBJECTIONS.

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16/02123	40 Bisham Village, Marlow Road, Bisham, Marlow SL7 1RR	The Parish Council has NO OBJECTIONS.
16/02196	Hollow Drift, Hockett Lane, Cookham Dean, Maidenhead SL6 9UF	The Parish Council has NO OBJECTIONS.
16/02251	National Sports Centre, Bisham Abbey, Marlow Road, Bisham, Marlow SL7 1RR	The Parish Council has NO OBJECTIONS.
16/02273	Manor House, Bradenham Lane, Bisham, Marlow SL7 1SB	The Parish Council has NO OBJECTIONS.
16/02384	46 Temple Mill Island, Bisham, Marlow SL7 1SQ	The Parish Council has NO OBJECTIONS.
16/02431	32 Bisham Village, Marlow Road, Bisham, Marlow SL7 1RR	The Parish Council has NO OBJECTIONS, subject to the approval of the Conservation Officer.
16/02560	Fairview Stables, Darlings Lane, Maidenhead SL6 6PB	The Parish Council has NO OBJECTIONS.
16/02347	The Thatched House Cottage, Bisham Road, Bisham, Marlow SL7 1RL	The Parish Council has NO OBJECTIONS, subject to the flood plain details submitted by the applicant (Supporting Info – General, Page 2) being accurate and compliant with regulations.

ACTION – TW to inform RBWM of decisions.

The Parish Council agreed that they would not be commenting further on the White Lodge application.

The Parish Council voiced their disappointment that application 16/02089 concerning the removal of trees at Stubbings Manor had been Determined when the documents had only put up on the Planning website for their consideration after the decision had been taken. Additionally, the Parish Council had had to chase this matter up over several weeks as the plans were not on the RBWM website, and it was felt that there was no urgency or diligence from RBWM regarding this. The Parish Council also wished for it to be noted that the quality of the submitted plan was inadequate to describe effectively the intended works, and it should have never been accepted.

ACTION – BM to write to RBWM to complain about this situation.

The Parish Council noted the outcome of the Beech Lodge Inquiry, received on 4th August. The Parish Council agreed that they would not be commenting further on this matter.

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Cllr. Mandy Robson Brown said that in her view going to a Judicial Review would be costly, and that the tone of the Inspector's report indicated that the development at Stubbings would be likely to go ahead even if the parish council went further. She therefore proposed that the parish council should not seek a Judicial Review and this motion was seconded by Cllr. Margaret Cubley; The Parish Council agreed to not take the matter any further. The Parish Council again thanked Cllr Mandy Robson Brown for her hard work with the Inquiry.

58) Highways Matters

Cllr. Margaret Cubley suggested that RBWM could consult with residents regarding potholes, to help identify and prioritise pothole repairs.

Cllr. Mary Cooper queried whether there was any commercial organisation that could cut back overgrown vegetation shrouding the direction sign for Henley, Marlow and Burchetts Green. Cllr. Iain Steedman mentioned that he would send a picture of the site to the Clerk, so that he could take this up with the Borough.

Cllr Mandy Robson Brown informed the Parish Council that she had received an email update from the Clerk on 12th August regarding the parking restrictions on Bisham Road. She was concerned that the protocol after the consultation should have been RBWM reporting their findings, so that the Parish Council could have delivered their final comments.

ACTION – BM to make a formal complaint to the RBWM because the Parish Council was not consulted about the final decision of the Highways department.

59) Parish Land

There were no reports or updates regarding Parish Land.

60) Flooding

There were no reports or updates regarding flooding.

61) Borough Plan

RBWM Cllr. Richard Kellaway informed the Parish Council that they could pass comments on the Draft Borough Local Plan to the planning officers directly involved. He said that the Draft Local Plan had been delayed owing to neighbouring Councils being consulted. Cllr. Mandy Robson Brown reported that the Bisham parish was only briefly mentioned in nine of the over 30 documents.. In one of these documents, of 2012, it had been suggested that land at Bisham Abbey might be available for future development. The Parish Council agreed that they had no further comments on the plan to submit to RBWM.

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62) Finance

TW gave an update on the Parish Council's finances (below)

<u>Bank Statement Account Name (s)</u>	<u>Statement Date</u>	<u>Page No</u>	<u>Balances</u>
Lloyds Bank Instant Access	09/03/2016	46	29,905.47
Lloyds Bank Current Account	27/07/2016	82	1,399.95
			<hr/> 31,305.42
<u>Unpresented Cheques (Minus)</u>			<u>Amount</u>
18/07/2016 001691	B Malki	437.58	
18/07/2016 001692	HMRC	301.19	
18/07/2016 001693	Playsafety Ltd	84.00	
18/07/2016 001694	SDK Environmental Ltd.	17.95	
18/07/2016 001695	Braywick Heath Nurseries	970.68	
18/07/2016 001696	Auditing Solutions Ltd.	276.00	
18/07/2016 001697	Lamb and Co	60.00	
18/07/2016 001698	aon Insurance	1,361.87	
18/07/2016 001699	B Malki	13.00	
			<hr/> 3,522.27
			27,783.15
<u>Receipts not Banked/Cleared (Plus)</u>			
		0.00	
			<hr/> 0.00
			27,783.15
		Balance per Cash Book is :-	27,783.15
		Difference is :-	0.00

63) Correspondence

There was no correspondence to report on.

64) Information Reports

Cllr. Alan Keene informed the Parish Council that Call Flow Solutions had recently announced that high speed broadband was being proposed for areas of Burchetts Green

Cllr. Iain Steedman updated the Committee on the Neighbourhood Plan; he mentioned that Rachel Fletcher (Senior Conservation Officer at RBWM) seemed really supportive of the Draft Conservation Plan for Bisham. Also, that Rachel had offered advice on revisions.

Cllr. Mary Cooper had attended the WWAC meeting on 8th August. There had been complaints from two residents regarding the flight path over Burchetts Green. The committee has a new chairman as Peter Fieldhouse had stood down after serving as Chairman for some years.

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MEETING CLOSED – 21:37

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Date Agreed: _____

Signed:

Position: – Chair/Vice Chair/Councillor