

UNCONFIRMED

BOYTON PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING

held on Wednesday, 6th September, 2017

MINUTES

PRESENT

Cllr Wheatley Hubbard
Cllr Felix Spender
Cllr Jill Adams
Cllr Gary Treherne
Sarah Pallant

Chairman, Planning
Vice Chairman, Treasurer
Infrastructure
Infrastructure
Clerk

PUBLIC

3 parishioners present

1. APOLOGIES

17/44 There were none.

2. OPEN FORUM

17/45 A parishioner enquired whether the 20mph sign at the entrance to Corton could be larger. This is a council matter and it was explained that Corton does not qualify for such a sign.

17/46 Road safety signage at Archers Way. The Parish Council authorised the Council's suggestion of 'SLOW' signs and yellow warnings painted on the road and 'ADVERSE CAMBER' signs. The road painting has been completed and we are awaiting the installation of signs. Tony Jackson will be contacted regarding his partial contribution to the cost when the invoice is received..

17/47 A parishioner requested an update on the progress of the refurbishment of the War Memorial. Cllr Spender reported that a contractor has agreed to do the work and that he has received quotes. The Council can bid for funding from the War memorial Trust/English Heritage. Cllr Spender will apply to the September Board Meeting. The target for work/completion is 2018.

The Fund holds £1822.77. A grant of £2850 is being sought. This leaves approx. £2328 to be raised.

The parishioner was concerned that he had proposed names of 2 people who might help – one of whom has strong connections with the Memorial. It was suggested that the Treasurer might write to the prospective donor.

Further concerns were raised as to the general stability of the Memorial since the original foundation block is not sufficiently wide. A new concrete foundation should suffice.

17/48 A parishioner asked whether the matter of dog fouling had been addressed. Cllr Adams had contacted Jacqui Abbott at the council. The council is not installing any further 'DOG' bins. There may be an option to purchase our own but the emptying of them is a problem.

A parishioner noted that it is not only dog walkers who are a problem – horse riders with dogs also leave mess.

It was strongly felt that new, and more, signs were needed.

A parishioner pointed out that following the Parish Plan survey only 28% of people were in favour of dog bins, whereas 33% were against.

Christopher Newbury could be contacted for advice/assistance.

The Open Forum closed at 7.30

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

17/49 There were none.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

17/50 The Minutes of the meeting held on 24.5.2017 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

5. MATTERS ARISING

17/51 ARCHERS WAY

The road markings are completed and we are awaiting the road signs. Tony Jackson will be contacted regarding his contribution of 25% of cost – the total being £337.50, therefore 25% being £84.37 – once the formal invoice is received from the Council. This will leave a final cost to the Parish Council of £253.13.

ACTION: FS

17/52 PARISH WEBSITE

Cllr Spender has contacted Angela Rosenthal and given her the links, however she is away at present. The BT Community Web Site is free.

ACTION: FS

17/53 SALT

The bag of salt has been moved from Jane Shaw's garage for temporary storage in the playing field.

17/54 SALT BINS

Cllr Adams reported that she had forwarded information for purchase of the bins. These were to be bought off the internet. The Parish Council does not have a Debit Card. Cllr Wheatley Hubbard offered to purchase bins and recoup the money from the PC. The bins will be delivered to Cllr Wheatley Hubbard.

ACTION: CWH

It was suggested that the Parish Steward could fill the bins.

ACTION: JA

17/55 DOG FOULING

There have been requests from some villagers that the dog fouling situation be addressed.

If the Parish Council purchased two bins, the most important consideration is the emptying and the resultant cost. This will be investigated.

ACTION: JA

It was agreed that new signs were necessary to encourage dog owners to clear up. New signs will be drawn up and posted at relevant sites including the Dove Inn.

ACTION: SP / FS

Cllr Wheatley Hubbard will contact Christopher Newbury for advice/assistance.

ACTION: CWH

The new sign will be forwarded to the VIP for circulation.

ACTION: SP

6. FINANCE

17/56 Cllr Spender reported the following.

Opening balance at 5.4.17	£2197.63	
Income	£1075.00	Precept
	£1000.00	Fete Donation
	£ 117.53	War Memorial Donation
	£ .51	Interest
Expenditure	Nil	
Balance	£4390.67	
Agreed Expenditure	£ 960.00	

This comprises Donations to Bobby Van and Air Ambulance - £50 each. £250 approx for the road markings/signage. £350 for salt bins. £260 approx for insurance (negotiations for this are currently in hand). £30 Grant Thornton (Auditor).

It was agreed by the Parish Council that they would endorse the payments for the road signage and the insurance once the final invoices had been received.

17/57 SECURITY

Cllr Wheatley Hubbard felt that now the Parish Council/Treasurer was using on-line banking there should be diligence regarding security. Other organisations will be approached to look at their systems.

7. PLANNING

17/58 Three Applications have been agreed:

17/03493	Landfall	Land in Cemetery
17/04372	Little Manor	Trees
17/04550	Sundial House	Replacement window
17/05450	Little Manor	Trees
Application Pending		
17/08464	The Old Rectory, Boyton	Trees

17/59

In future Applications will be sent to the Clerk for circulation.

ACTION: SP

8. NEW COUNCILLOR

17/60 A further person is needed to ensure that a quorum may be convened if a councillor is unable to attend.

It was agreed Phil Garratt should be approached.

ACTION: CWH

9. INFRASTRUCTURE

17/61 PLAY PARK

- a. It is believed that the Play Park is still owned by the Council. A query was made that perhaps it now came under the umbrella of Selwood. This will be ascertained.

ACTION: CWH

- b. Information has been received from an organisation called HAGS. It was felt that they will have worked with Parish Councils/Local Councils and since Local Councils are off-loading responsibility for play areas a fact finding only meeting with them might be useful.

ACTION: JA

Cllr Wheatley Hubbard will talk to Christopher Newbury about the current situation with the Local Council and play areas.

ACTION: CWH

17/62 PARISH STEWARD

It was confirmed that the Steward has a map of the drains and gullies.

It was noted that although the Council lorry had been round and sucked debris from under the gratings they had not actually cleared any drains. The drain on Boyton Bend and drains at Corton East need jetting. This is a Council matter.

- 17/63 The owners of land adjacent to ditches are to be reminded again that they are responsible for keeping these ditches clear. A notice is to be sent to parishioners via the Parish VIP.

ACTION: JA

10. FLOODING

- 17/64 It was noted that whilst 'flooding' is mainly the gathering of surface water, there are springs in the village that often flow/rise when the water table is high.

Ditches and gulleys need to be kept clear.

It was agreed that any sort of flood planning should come under the Emergency Plan.

Cllr Adams reported that she had attended a Flood Seminar and that she had spoken to an Environment Officer who will hopefully visit. Cllr Adams will arrange the visit.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

- 17/65 It was agreed that all email correspondence received by the Clerk will be forwarded to all Councillors.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 17/66 There was none.

13. DATE of next MEETING

22nd November, 2017 at 19.00hrs.

Meeting closed at 21.05