

APPLETON WITH EATON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Appleton with Eaton Parish Council meeting at the Village Hall, Monday 9th May 2016 at 7.15pm.

Susan Blomerus – Parish Clerk – 23.05.16

MINUTES – Annual Council Meeting

16/20 Appointment of Chairman: Mr Mansfield indicated that he is prepared to stand again as chairman. Mrs Carey proposed, Mr Adams seconded that Mr Mansfield continue in the role as chairman. Carried unanimously.

16/21 Appointment of Vice-Chairman: Mrs Liz Gilkes indicated that she is willing to stand again as vice-chairman. Mr James Mansfield proposed and Mrs Yalci seconded that Mrs Gilkes be vice-chairman. Carried unanimously.

16/22 Review and acceptance of Code of Conduct: The code of conduct was reviewed and accepted.

16/23 Review and acceptance of Standing Orders: Deferred to next meeting

16/24 Review and agreement of members roles on committees:

HR Committee: Mrs Gilkes and Mrs Anna Yalci.

L&R Committee: Dr Mark Richards, Mr John Adams, Mr James Mansfield, Mrs Mary Carey

16/25 Agree a Chairman's allowance: An allowance of £75 was agreed. Carried unanimously.

16/26 Dates of future meetings: It was agreed that Parish Council Meetings will occur on the second Monday of every month except in August and on a Bank Holiday. Leisure and Recreation Committee meetings to be held on the third Monday of every other month, except in August and on a bank holiday. The next L&R meeting will be held on the 23rd May.

Meeting closed 7:28pm

Minutes– Monthly meeting

Present: Mr John Adams, Mrs Susan Blomerus (parish clerk), Mrs Mary Carey, Mrs Liz Gilkes, Mr James Mansfield, Dr Mark Richards, Mr Tony Sibthorp, Mrs Anna Yalci

Also present: Mrs Betty Griffiths, Mrs Penny Moorley, Mrs Phyl Bartlett

16/27 Apologies for Absence: Cllr Melinda Tilley, Mr Alan Feast

16/28 Declarations of interest: None

16/29 Public questions and statements:

Bus situation: 16/34:

Mrs Betty Griffiths said that she attended a bus meeting and at this meeting various bus companies were asked if they could provide services to areas that were potentially losing bus services. Unfortunately Thames Travel still has not got back to the County Council. The County Council are not hopeful that Appleton bus services will continue.

Mrs Phyl Bartlett said that the community shouldn't lose the Abingdon bus as it is used by parishioners to get to the doctors appointments. She said that it is the only way that elderly people can stay independent.

Mrs Moorley mentioned that the Appleton Volunteer Transport Service struggle to get people to volunteer to drive and monitor the telephone. She said that parking in Cumnor to catch the bus can be problematic therefore having a volunteer transport service to Cumnor would be super.

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- 16/30 Reports from District and County Councillors:** Cllr Tilley sent a report to the parish council
- 16/31 Minutes of the last meeting:** The minutes of the 11th April 2016 meeting were signed as a true record.
- 16/32 Matters arising from the previous meeting and not appearing elsewhere on the agenda:**
None
- 16/33 Clerks report:** None
- 16/34 Bus situation in the parish:** The parish is likely to lose the subsidised bus service in July. The parish council agreed that forming a group of volunteer drivers to drive parishioners to Cumnor or Besselsleigh to catch a bus to Oxford at fixed times is the best option at present. The parish council decided to form a Volunteer Bus Working Group. The group will decide how a volunteer driver group will operate e.g. what days and times the service will run.
Mrs Mary Carey mentioned a driver training can be free if done through a certain organisation. The parish clerk will put an advert on the noticeboard, Advertiser and website to appeal for volunteers to join the Volunteer Bus Working Group.
- 16/35 Neighbourhood Plan:** The clerk will invite Mrs Fiona Mullins to the steering group meeting. The parish council agreed and adopted the Terms of Reference for the Steering Group. The parish council discussed how the Steering Group will work. The clerk will issue an agenda.
- 16/36 Road repairs in the parish:** The potholes and state of the Eaton Road has been reported to the parish council and despite it being reported on Fix My Street the road has not been fully repaired. As it is a national cycle route and quite perilous for drivers the clerk will email Oxfordshire County Council regarding the state of disrepair of Eaton Road stretch. The clerk will advertise on the website and noticeboard informing parishioners about using Fix My Street.
- 16/37 Queen's 90th birthday bash:** The Appleton Event Committee will issue 500 tickets as that is the most that they can issue on their insurance. There will be free tickets available for families that need them.
- 16/38 Tubney Wood Sand Quarry & Landfill Site:** Mr Rose, Tubney Wood Preservation Group, updated the parish council via email assuring the parish council that the planning application for the entrance to the site is nothing untoward.
- 16/39 Lock Road:** Mr John Adams will write AH Cornish a letter on behalf of the parish council.

16/40 Planning

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| (i) | P16/V0792/HH | Erection of single storey rear/side extension and re-covering of existing flat roof. | 17 Badswell Lane Appleton
Abingdon OX13 5JN
No objections |
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16/41 Finance

Invoices

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| 313 | Clerks Salary and expenses | | See attachment |
| 314 | Ady Podbery: Top up safety surfaces at playground | | £990 Approved |
| 315 | Play Inspection Company: Operational Inspection for playground and Sportsfield | £90 | Approved |
| 316 | Oxford Greenbelt Network: Membership fees | £15 | Approved |
| 317 | Mr Richard Dick: Tennis Club Rent | £150 | Approved |
| 318 | OX13 Youth Organisation: Reissuing of cancelled cheque | £500 | Approved |
| 319 | Appleton Event Fund: Contribution to the Queens 90 th Birthday celebrations | £1500 | Approved |

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Invoices Previously approved

312 Appleton C of E Primary School: Booking of school hall for Steering Group Meeting £15

Income received

DD HMRC: VAT reclaim	£1854.23
DD Vale of White Horse District Council: Precept and CTRS grant	£8993.50
500051 Rye St Anthony: Sportsfield Booking	£120
SSE: Wayleave	£13.92
Playground fundraising: Proceeds from car wash	£160

16/42 Publications and correspondence

1. Letter from Mr Alan Feast regarding the bus situation
2. Letter from Lloyds bank confirming cancellation of a cheque

16/43 Matters for report: None

16/44 Date of the next meeting: The next meeting of the Parish Council is to be held on Monday 13th June 2016 at 7:15 in the village Hall.

Meeting closed at 9:05pm