

OSBASTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes - 221

The Annual General Meeting of Osbaston Parish Council was held on Thursday 10th May 2018 at Barlestone School.

1) Apologies:

Mr B Crookes, Mr S Butler.

2) Election of Officers:

Mr R Payne was proposed as Chairman by Ms H Earp; Mr D Sanderson seconded the motion. Mr D Sanderson was proposed as Vice Chairman by Ms H Earp; Mrs M Ingham seconded the motion. Both positions were accepted by proposed persons. Mr Roger Payne then went on to thank all PC members for their support over the last year.

3) Minutes of last Annual General Meeting:

Read and approved.

4) Matters arising:

Nil.

5) Finance:

a) Accounts for the year:

As at the end of the financial year the Current account stands at £5165.53, deposit account at £2239.40 totalling £7404.93

b) Internal audit report:

A copy of this was presented at the meeting; it was handed around for all to view. Unfortunately there were some errors so it is to be returned to Sharman Fielding, by the Clerk (Mrs Reading), for correction. Once amendments are made this will be shown to all councillors again.

c) Risk Assessments/Asset Register:

The Risk assessment document was checked through. All reviewed and agreed. The Annual review of Clerks salary was also done and Mr Roger Payne agreed an increase of £50 for the year. This was agreed by all present. Asset register for Osbaston Parish council is as it was last year as no purchases have been made. Total of Assets for 2017/18 £15,655.03.

This concluded the AGM

A meeting of Osbaston Parish Council was held on Thursday 10th May 2018 at Barlestone School.

1) Apologies:

Mr B Crookes, Mr S Butler.

2) Present:

Mr R Payne (chairman), Mr D Sanderson (vice chair), Mrs M Ingham, Ms H Earp, Mrs S Reading (clerk).

3) Minutes of last meeting:

Read, agreed and signed.

4) Matters arising:

There were no matters arising from previous minutes.

5) Finance:

a) Statement of accounts:

As at 22.04.18: current account £6956.67, deposit account £2240.33, totalling £9197.00.

b) Invoices and forthcoming statements:

A quote was received from Prestons for Grounds Maintenance 2018, at a cost of £131.10 + VAT. This was accepted.

Invoice received from NALC & LRALC for Annual fees at a cost of 139.71. This was agreed, cheque to be raised at this meeting.

Invoice received from Sharman Fielding (Internal Auditors) for £120.00. As amendments are to be made to the paperwork we received payment will be made at a later date, once corrections are made.

c) Cheques for approval

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| LRALC Annual Fees | £139.71 |
| Mrs S Reading – Salary | £237.50 |
| Mrs S Reading – expenses (postage/stationary) | £6.37 |

6) Dates for forthcoming parish council meetings:

The following dates were set for the next 4 Parish Council meetings:-

Thursday 6th September 2018

Thursday 6th December 2018

Thursday 7th March 2019

Thursday 9th May 2019

All to be held at Barlestone Primary School at 7.45pm. Please could all councillors make every effort to attend.

7) County Councillors reports:

These had been sent electronically to all Parish Council members prior to the meeting. Please see attached. Mrs M Ingham was sent paper copies via the post.

8) Report from Councillor Bill Crookes:

This report was sent electronically to all Parish Council members with a hard copy being sent in the post to Mrs Ingham. Please see attached.

9) DPO (Data Protection Officer):

It seems the Government has tabled an amendment to its own Data Protection Bill to exempt all parish and town councils from the requirement of appointing a DPO. Councils still need to prepare for compliance with the rest of GDPR requirements. The clerk will seek further information as to what is needed/expected from us.

10) Remembrance Sunday Plans:

Cultural Service would like to know if Osbaston have any forthcoming plans for this event. Currently Osbaston have no plans.

11) West Leicestershire First Responders - Contribution:

The annual report was received from the above and forwarded to all Parish council members. It was agreed that this service was extremely worthwhile and a contribution of £300 would be made. This was proposed by David Sanderson and seconded by Helen Earp. This will be a standing item at every forthcoming May meeting. Mr Roger Payne also suggested we contact 1st Responders to clarify if Osbaston falls within Newbold or Bosworth group and if we could have a breakdown of calls and response for said group to be displayed on our notice boards. The clerk will look into this and display information once received.

12) Census Survey of Parish Councillors 2017:

This survey was sent electronically for councillors, with a hard copy going to Mrs Ingham and Mr Butler to decide if they would like to take part. All responses to be returned electronically as stated on original email.

13) AOB:

Dial-a-ride – Mr David Sanderson asked if it would be possible to publish their services on our notice boards. This was agreed with all present. Mr Sanderson to send a poster to the clerk as soon as possible.

Fly tipping - The Councils in Leicester and Leicestershire are jointly running a campaign with the hope of reducing fly tipping waste. They have asked PC's to help by displaying posters. We will be putting these posters on our boards in the next two weeks, once the campaign starts.

Privacy Policy – It has come to light that OPC needs a privacy policy. Ms Earp sourced a policy from 'parish resources' that (with slight amendments) would be suitable for Osbaston. The Clerk to deal with this.

Housing Needs Survey – Today we received the detailed investigation report into the housing needs of Osbaston Parish. This will be forwarded to all councillors for reading. A copy to be sent to Councillor Ould.

There then followed the Annual Parish meeting:

1) Election of Chairman

Mr R Payne was proposed Mr D Sanderson and seconded by Ms H Earp, he accepted the position. Mr D Sanderson was proposed by Ms Earp and seconded by Mrs M Ingham, he too accepted the position.

2) Minutes of last APM

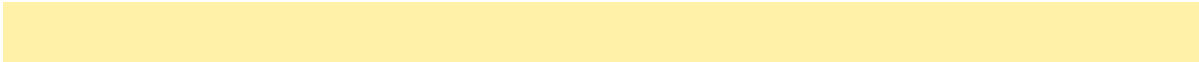
Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

3) Matters arising

None.

4) AOB

Mr R Payne took the opportunity to congratulate and thank all Parish Council members on doing an excellent job last year.



County Councillors Report March 2018

General: I have attended 28 meetings again this month, and also attended 8 parish council meetings.

Major meetings that I attended included:

OFSTED Annual Conversation on 7th.

Children's Partnership on 9th.

Cabinet on 9.03.18.

County Council on 21st.

Early Help Public Consultation meetings on 9th at Market Harborough and Oadby on 19th

Supporting Leicestershire Families Team visit on 14th at Coalville.

Attending the Special Educational Needs and Disability Board on 15th.

Attending the Regional Lead Members meeting at Melton on 16th.

Meeting Lord Bach, the Police and Crime Commissioner on 20th

Junior Children in Care Council on 21st, (after full County Council meeting)

Health and Wellbeing Board 22nd.

A5 Strategic Partnership on 23rd.

Chaired F40 Annual Conference in London on 26th.

Attended the Parishes Forum on 29th.

Within the Division I also liaised with Solicitors over two planning issues involving constituents, took up the Mythe Lane flooding issues again, raised the poor quality of line marking on the A444 yet again, am involved over a PCSO query regarding illegal parking on the Wellesborough Road, and am in discussion with the Chief Constable regarding a parish council complaint.

Police Matters:

Inspector Maxwell attended the Parishes Forum meeting, gave a presentation and answered questions. I specifically asked about failure to record burglaries on the Facebook page. It was very positive to meet her.

Local Issues:

Individual Casework in Parishes currently stands at 6 issues in Witherley, 1 in Sheepy, 5 in Twycross, 1 in Stoke Golding, 2 in Market Bosworth, and 3 in Nailstone. Five have been successfully resolved.

Cabinet met on Friday 9th March.

Items on the agenda were: Fair Funding review Technical consultation on Relative Need; the second item, no 5, was the removal of residential funding from Maplewell Hall School, as no pupil currently attending required residential education; the third concerned changes to the School Admissions arrangements; the fourth item affects the whole of Hinckley & Bosworth and concerned the consultation draft for the Strategic Growth Plan; next was a paper regarding the A5 Strategy Group, where the County Council has submitted a written response to the proposed draft strategy; next was a response to Department for Transport proposal to establish a Major Road Network; next. Item 10, concerned reductions in current funding for Mainstream and Special Educational Needs home to school transport; then a paper approving the draft Passenger Transport Policy and review of Community Bus Partnerships; Item 12 was an

agreement in principle to a proposal from Midlands Connect regarding the establishment of a Sub-National Transport Body; Item 13 agreed the development of a consultation on an Integrated Lifestyle Service for Leicestershire; this was followed by an agreed draft of a Living Well with Dementia Strategy 2018-2022; we then approved for consultation the Leicestershire Adult Learning Services strategy for 2018 – 2022; agreed a future strategy for Braunstone Town Library; agreed with delegated powers from Rutland County Council to undertake certain functions under the Care Act and Mental Health Act. The final item was held in private.

This particular cabinet meeting was controversial due to items 2 and 10. The room was full with the public, who were unhappy with our decisions and made their feelings known. Press and TV were present throughout the meeting.

County Council:

This was the most insignificant full county council meeting I have attended. Only 2 questions were asked, both by Max Hunt. One was specific to Loughborough, and the other concerned East Midlands trains. Position statements were given by the Leader, and three individual lead members, i.e., Children, Families and Safer Communities, Environment and Transport, and Health and Wellbeing. There was a report from the Employment Committee, and that was that.

Further details and reports for each subject can be found at politics.leics.gov.uk, just type in cabinet reports and agendas.

Parishes Forum Meeting:

This was an excellent meeting but only attended by half the Parish Councils from the Market Bosworth Division.

Presentations were made regarding dog fouling, more general environmental nuisance, including support available from Hinckley & Bosworth for parishes and then the Leicestershire wide fly tipping campaign. Edwina Grant described the change to dry recycling credits and also the Good Neighbour Schemes. Kevin Morrell, who chaired the meeting very well, gave updates on the Rural Strategy priorities.

Inspector Emma Maxwell brought us up to date on key Policing matters. There was a presentation of community support from Leicestershire Fire & Rescue Service. There was a contribution on the Strategic Growth Plan and the review of the Local Plan. Unlike the first time, when there were over 14,000 submissions, this time around 800 had been received.

If your Parish wasn't represented, you missed a really good meeting.

Ivan Ould
County Councillor for the Market Bosworth Division

County Councillors Report April 2018

General:

I have attended 19 meetings this month, down from previous months due to a week for annual leave, and a week off sick.

Major meetings that I attended included:

4 Evening consultation meetings regarding the proposed closure of children's centres in Countesthorpe, Melton Mowbray, Hinckley, and Loughborough. 4 people attended the first, 5 the second, 14 the third, and 23 the fourth of these meetings. The latter two meetings were political in nature, with the Lib Dems organising the response for Hinckley, and Labour in Loughborough.

I received a petition with over 3,000 signatures from the Loughborough Meeting. It was also attended by BBC TV and the Sunday Politics Show, and I was interviewed at length.

Met with the Police re Child Protection issues on 10.04.

Cabinet briefing on 10.04

Corporate Asset Investment Board – 10.04

Cabinet – 10.04

Lead member meeting – 11.04

Meeting with Children in Care teams – 12.04

Lead member meeting – 17.04

Children's Partnership catch up meeting – 17.04

Chaired Children's Social Care panel – 17.04

Meeting re senior personnel recruitment with Chief Executive – 17.04

Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny agenda planning meeting - 18.04

Attended the launch of 'The Bosworth Tommie's exhibition at the Battlefield Centre – 20.04.

From 21 – 29.04, off sick.

Local Issues:

Individual Casework in Parishes currently stands at 5 issues in Witherley, 4 in Twycross, 1 each in Market Bosworth, Nailstone, Cadeby and Shackerstone. Two have been successfully resolved.

There are some other live issues:

Impact on residents, especially in Twycross, of current diversion for the A42, and concerns about the potential impact on residents when HS2 is built.

Impact on residents and businesses of 'Special Events' at Twycross Zoo. This has broadened to include Bosworth Water Park.

Midlands Connect options for an A5 Expressway.

Cabinet met on Tuesday 10th March.

Items on the agenda were:

Highways capital programme and Highways and Transportation work programme.

Proposed appointment of a provider to deliver a Supported Living Service

NHS Sustainability and Transformation Plan/Partnership

Geological Disposal Infrastructure Draft National Policy Statement

Developer contributions towards County Council Services update

Details of the final recommendations, and copies of papers, are on the County Council website.

Ivan Ould

County Councillor for the Market Bosworth Division

Annual 2018 Report to Parish Councils from Councillor Bill Crooks

The year has been governed by Planning Issues. At the beginning of the Council year several special meetings were held to re-direct the way planning committees were run. A barrister was brought in who specialized in Planning Law to advise members on the way to avoid costs being awarded against the Council, also what else the Government were threatening councils with that were not towing the line!

The outcome of this is that, added to the site visits and meetings of the planning committee, we now have a Pre-Planning meeting each month. So being a member of the Planning Committee is the most time consuming of Committees.

The other major change is that members can no longer turn down application; we can only defer them with a mind to refuse. Then the applications come back to the next committee, sometimes with improvements but other times (especially with large Developers/Company's) exactly the same as before.

Finance has also been of some concern, but not nearly as much as other councils. We have had to increase some costs slightly but not at the expense of cutting services.

The Town Centre has improved with the development of the Crescent, the new Cinema and Leisure Centre all been doing well.

Employment is still buoyant with the new DPD warehouse, the extension to MIRA and another DPD warehouse in the pipeline in the Burbage area, plus new Lidl Supermarket on the old Gas Works site and Aldi are to build a new store on Holliers Walk in the town.

I am currently a member of the Planning Committee, Scrutiny, and Ethical Governance and Joint Scrutiny committee with Blaby District Council.

During the past year I have taken up many issues for local residents and I will continue to serve the community to the best of my ability.

Once again I thank Parish Councillors and Clerks for their support.