



THE CAUSEWAY

STEVENTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of a Meeting of Steventon Parish Council held on Tuesday 3rd April 2018 in the Village Hall Millennium Room

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Mr R Wilkinson

2. PRESENT

Dr C Wilding Chair, Mr J Bennett, Mr R Bosley, Mrs C Brickwood, Mr J Clark, Mrs C Denton, Mr R Green, and Mr J Spiller. Mrs A Einon (Parish Clerk) and Cllr M Fox-Davies(OCC) were in attendance. There were fifteen members of the public present.

3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND OTHER DECLARATIONS

To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests, and other declarations, in respect of items on the agenda for this meeting. Mr Bosley expressed an interest in the tree preservation application under correspondence.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

4.1. Little Lane footpath

The path is now very thin and at the end by the Causeway is almost impassable due to mud. The sewer connection to the house created chaos in the area. Dr Wilding will chase the Vale on enforcement.

Action 18/04/01: Dr Wilding

4.2. Bridge and electrification

The report by the Vale's chosen experts on the need for demolition of the bridge was available. It had left areas of doubt that demolition was the only way. The VWHDC Planning Committee on 18th April has postponed discussion on the bridge application and is likely to be at a May meeting. The Parish Council will attend. The current earliest start time for the bridge demolitions is May 2019 and is still proposed for a 10 month closure.

4.3. Abingdon Road crossing

Miller homes did not provide any method of crossing the Abingdon Road to access bus stops. A pavement was included in the application but has not been installed. The Bellway application does include provision of a Puffin crossing and relocating the bus stop.

4.4. Bench in burial ground

Mr Hancock objected to a letter he had received concerning the state of the bench he had installed in the burial ground. It required repair or removal. A copy of the letter would be circulated to the Parish Council for comment.

4.5. Network Rail and Thames Water road closures

The current signage indicates closure of both ends from Stocks Lane and Mill Street for 14 weeks. It is not planned to close the road completely, but access may shift from one end to the other as work progresses. Network Rail and Thames Water are liaising.

4.6. Network Rail

Replacement fencing at Stocks Lane and Causeway crossings has left spaces big enough for an adult, children and dogs to get around the closed crossing gates. Dr Wilding has reported. There is a safety audit of the crossings due in July.

4.7. Reservoir

The Parish council will be submitting a response. At the Thames Water meeting in Reading it was agreed that the capacity of the proposed reservoir will be a surplus and not needed for London or the South East but will have a pipeline to Affinity Water where the water will be sold.

5. REPORT FROM ANY COUNTY OR DISTRICT COUNCILLOR IN ATTENDANCE

Cllr Mike Fox-Davies gave his report at the beginning of the meeting. Government money to support growth infrastructure, Didcot Garden Town, Culham crossing, decisions to be made on where it would be spent. Each County Councillor has £1875, with the same again next year, for application by the Parish Councils. Potholes had been put forward as an area to spend the money on. A lot of the potholes will be filled as money has been provided to do more. Potholes with white lines around will be repaired within 28 days those with red lines 20 days. The costs for smaller potholes on A and B road is £80-£130 each. £1875 would hire one days' worth of the dragon patching machine. The Hanney Road is to be assessed for a substantial repair. OCC are in contact with the

developer regarding the chicane. £150 million would be required to sort out the holes in the counties roads. Mike Fox-Davies would provide contact details for the Parish to follow up. He would also find out if OCC were responding to the Thames Water consultation deadline 29 April. As Steventon is home of GARD and probably the most informed area perhaps OCC would like to run their response past us before submission.

6. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 6th March, were accepted as a true record, with the following changes 4.1 "No Parking" 7.6 reword to: The Clerk had contacted the OCC Footpaths Officer concerning the width of Little Lane but had yet to receive a reply. Remove 7.7. 13.10 Truck the numbers are incorrect all should have an additional zero. i.e 1500 is 15000 etc.

Proposed: Mr Bennett: Seconded: Mr Bosley.

7. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING – REPORTS ON ACTIONS

7.1. Linden snagging

Outstanding items: Access road, curbs and surface phase 1 &2, maintenance of open spaces. Staff car park, drainage not working. Causeway culvert and ditch on Hanney Road still outstanding. Highways adoption of roads. Dr Wilding would write a letter to OCC the Vale and Linden's.

Action 18/04/02 : Dr Wilding

7.2. Registration of Parish Council Land

No further progress at present.

Action 18/04/03: Mr Green

7.3. Joint Parish Liaison

Dr Wilding had been fact finding and would write a letter to affected parishes.

Action 18/04/04: Dr Wilding

7.4. Data protection new legislation from March

The Clerk had found that 10 business email addresses from gmail would cost approximately £360 per annum, from 1&1, website provider, would be cheaper at £275 but with less storage and an untested system. Mr Spiller suggested that email addresses could be obtained from Talk Talk who were the broadband supplier.

Action 18/04/05: Clerk

7.5. Footpaths, gullies and road edges

The Clerk had contacted the OCC Footpaths officer, as yet no reply, regarding Little Lane, however Jo Gould had forwarded his response to her that the footpath width and fence were satisfactory.

7.6. Causeway bank

The contact at Highways that Dr Wilding had been dealing with had now moved elsewhere. Cllr Fox-Davies would send contact details.

Action 18/04/06: Dr Wilding

7.7. Bi-annual inspection by Council Specialist Tree Working Group

The Clerk had received a response from Thinktrees who had agreed to provide a report in time for todays meeting. Nothing had been received.

Action 18/04/07: Clerk

7.8. Bi-annual inspection by the Council of unadopted roads, footpaths and waterways

Mr Bosley would arrange a walk about, when footpaths not under water.

Action 18/04/08: Mr Bosley

8. OCC GRANT APPLICATION

Cost estimates from Cllr Mike Fox-Davies on potholes provided earlier in the meeting. Possibly improved lighting, led's, by crossing, again cost implications. Ask for details in writing to make a decision.

9. COMMUNITY RESILIENCE PLAN DRAFT FOR ANNUAL MEETING

A draft presentation for the Annual meeting would be circulated after the meeting. Comments to be made by mid April in time for modification to be made.

10. LIGHTING LEVELS ON NEW DEVELOPMENTS

The approach to the village from Drayton is dominated by lighting on new developments particularly the David Wilson. The Parish council to write to DW Homes Southern asking for a review of lighting to produce less pollution.

11. FOOTPATHS NEW ACCESS

Open spaces working group would like to open up access by creating footpaths. A possible route may be to link Linden to Stonebridge Road. The footpath onto the allotment off Hanney Road required some attention Mrs Denton would refer to Sarinc. The Parish Council who were strongly against the possibility of removing the bridge.

Action 18/04/10: Mrs Denton

12. ITEMS FROM RISK ASSESSMENT ACTION SCHEDULE

- 12.1 Councillors to be reminded annually of need to read and understand Procedural Documents
- 12.2 Check made quarterly to ensure no personal details of the general public are held on computer.
Review for the new legislation
- 12.3 Bi-annual check of Headstones by Council Member(s)
Burial ground working party to meet.

13. WORKING GROUP, SUB-COMMITTEE AND REPRESENTATIVES ACTIVITIES

13.1. Finance and General Purposes Committee JB, CB, RB, JC, CW, RW, Clerk

Meeting to be held on Monday 19th March Minutes of the meeting were approved subject to removal of £ sign. The meeting agreed to fund a report by Solka Engineering on the bridge demolition. Proposed: Mr Bosley. Seconded: Mr Clark.

13.2. Planning Committee RB, CD, RG, JS, CW, Clerk

Not met.

13.3. Burial Ground CD, CB, RW, Clerk

Not met.

13.4. Open Spaces – Trees, Greens, Waterways and Footpaths RB, JC, CB, JS, RW,

13.5. Recreation and Leisure – Playground, Sports Hall RB, CD, RG, CW

A joint meeting with Open Spaces to discuss S106 expenditures. The Sports and Social claim was in hand. Steventon News to ask residents their opinions on the Art contributions. The tennis monies would go to Abingdon. The Sports hall working group would consult with the School. Mr Bosley to speak to local landowners regarding a circular footpath. Possible upgrade of existing basketball area to MUGA. Mrs Brickworth had investigated zip wires and had looked at Blewbury, they came with either metal or wood uprights and are approximately 27 metres long. A possible site at St Michael's play ground was under consideration. Prices and general information would be further investigated.

13.6. Village Infrastructure – Railway, Roads, Drains JB, RB, RG, JS, CW

See 4.2. re railway. The report commissioned from Solka did not support demolition of the bridge but suggested alternatives.

13.7. Houses and Planning JC, CD, RG, JS, CW

Not met.

13.8. Sarinc RW, CD

Nothing to report.

13.9. Neighbourhood Plan RB, CB, RG, JC, JS, CW, Clerk and volunteers: Lorraine Atkins, Laura Bosley, Nigel Goode, Caroline Miller, Nick Thompson

A positive meeting of the Steering Group The had been held on Tuesday 13th March to discuss with Bluestone Planning the draft character assessment. We are now waiting for Sharon to come back with amendments. Jeremy attended and promised to respond on our SEA and comments on our initial draft Neighbourhood Plan.

13.10. Other representative reports

None

FINANCE

14.1. FINANCIAL REPORT 2017-18

The financial report was discussed and agreed. Proposed: Mr Bosley. Seconded: Mr Bennett

14.2. CHEQUES FOR SIGNATURE

15. CORRESPONDENCE

12.1 Received

7/3/18	E	Lloyd, Jeremy	new copy of Vale of White Horse District Council calendar	
7/3/18	E	Gill Plimmer	Re: GARD slides given at the Steventon and Hanney meetings	
7/3/18	E	Campaigns (Corp Comms)	Thames Valley Police - Hidden Harm campaign phase two	
7/3/18	E	Planning Vale	Autoreply	
7/3/18	E	C Brickwood	Re: Fwd: OALC training suitable for new councillors	
8/3/18	E	C R Wilding	Fwd: Extra Meeting re Chair role	
8/3/18	E	C R Wilding	Fwd: Munchies/Coop Steventon	
8/3/18	E	C R Wilding	Fwd: Parking near Causeway crossing	
9/3/18	E	Nick and Mary Thompson	The Steventon Copse	
9/3/18	E	clerk	Milton & Steventon Flood Group	
11/3/18	E	C R Wilding	Network Rail	
12/3/18	E	rbosley	Re: Fwd: Milton & Steventon Flood Group	
12/3/18	E	Kenny Clements	Dog Mess on the Playing Field	*
13/3/18	E	Cllr Matthew Barber	Latest Vale news March 2018 - Local Plan submitted, Science Vale	
13/3/18	E	rbosley	Re: Fwd: Dog Mess on the Playing Field	
13/3/18	E	C R Wilding	April report attached	
14/3/18	E	CPRE Campaigns	All to play for: a new future for planning and farming	
14/3/18	E	harwell.ssg (MAG)	Harwell SSG 26 April 2018	
14/3/18	E	OALC	OALC training Roles & Responsibilities 21st March	
14/3/18	E	C R Wilding	Re: Courses	
14/3/18	E	rbosley	storage depot traffic	
14/3/18	E	Robert Green	FW: OLE wire height at level crossing	
15/3/18	E	Taryn Booth	Bluestone Invoice 101432	
15/3/18	E	Robert Green	FW: Expert opinion on Steventon Bridge application	
15/3/18	E	rbosley	traffic	
16/3/18	E	Lesley Tait	Thames Water's draft Water Resources Management Plan	
16/3/18	E	C R Wilding	Bridge report	
19/3/18	E	Clark, Jane - E&E	T5495 Steventon, The Causeway and Stocks Lane Level Crossings	
19/3/18	E	Robert Green	PBA's report to the Vale	
19/3/18	E	C R Wilding	Re: Open spaces + Recreation & Leisure	
20/3/18	E	Mark Wells	Re: Planning Consultation - P17/V1154/LB - STV	
20/3/18	E	John Clark	Road Sign	
20/3/18	E	Christopher Wilding	Fwd: Solka Quote	
20/3/18	E	1&1	Upcoming Domain Renewal	
21/3/18	E	Oxfordshire County Council	March's Oxfordshire Matters newsletter - from OCC	
21/3/18	E	Nick Kirby	Re: Proposed Development by Bellway Homes, Abingdon Road	
21/3/18	E	Matthew Barber	Policing in the Thames Valley March 2018 - Police helmets	
21/3/18	E	Robert Green	Re: The Causway Lane	
21/3/18	E	Robert Green	Re: Open spaces + Recreation & Leisure	

21/3/18	E	Lesley Tait	Thames Water WRF 21 March 2018 - Slide pack	
21/3/18	E	Martin Stimpson-Tame	The Causway Lane	*
21/3/18	E	Nick Kirby	Re: Proposed Development by Bellway Homes, Abingdon Road	*
22/3/18	E	Robert Green	FW: Steventon Footpath 9	
22/3/18	E	Caroline Miller	Planning permission	
24/3/18	E	Deborah Bennett	Re: Network Rail - Level Crossings closing	
24/3/18	E	John Clark	Re: Stonebridge Road	
24/3/18	E	Caroline Miller	Re: Planning permission	
24/3/18	E	Riddle, Maya	Re: Network Rail - Level Crossings closing	
25/3/18	E	C R Wilding	Re: New FixMyStreet updates on report: 'The bank of the stream	
25/3/18	E	Robin Wilkinson	Next Meeting	
26/3/18	E	Oxon Sa	Notice to Submit Your Authority's Return	
26/3/18	E	steventonvillagehall bookings	CHANGE OF ADDRESS - STEVENTON VILLAGE HALL BOOKING	
26/3/18	E	C R Wilding	Re: Network Rail signage	
26/3/18	E	Milton Matters	April Milton Matters	
27/3/18	E	Nick and Mary Thompson	Little Lane footpath	
27/3/18	E	DEREK STORK	Display Boards	
27/3/18	E	Cllr Mike Fox-Davies	Re: Potholes	
28/3/18	E	Martin Reade	Thanks	
28/3/18	E	CPRE Campaigns	Success! Deposit return system announced for England	
28/3/18	E	Came & Company	Council Matters Spring 2018	
28/3/18	E	rbosley	TPO trees north of Green Close	*
28/3/18	E	Mariah Splawska	Donation	
28/3/18	E	C R Wilding	Network Rail	
28/3/18	E	James Hollin	Hiring the Village Green	*
29/3/18	E	CPRE Campaigns	Planning rules changing again, for better or worse? CPRE Oxon	
29/3/18	E	OALC	OALC March Update	
29/3/18	E	C R Wilding	Solka report attached and HE objection to demolition	
30/3/18	E	Ed Vaizey MP	Local News from Ed Vaizey MP	
30/3/18	E	Cllr Mike Fox-Davies	Re: Meeting	
2/4/18	E	C R Wilding	Objection to demolition of Steventon Railway bridge	
3/4/18	E	Cllr Mike Fox-Davies	Re: Meeting	
3/4/18	E	Cllr Mike Fox-Davies	Fw: Meeting	
3/4/18	E	Gateway Confirmation	Successful Receipt of Online Submission for Reference	
3/4/18	E	Taryn Booth	Re: Bluestone Invoice 101430	
3/4/18	E	Gateway Confirmation	Successful Receipt of Online Submission for Reference	
3/4/18	E	C R Wilding	Re: Fwd: Re: Meeting	
3/4/18	E	Helen Bowen (Capita)	BACS Remittance	

12.1.1 Dog mess on the playing area of the Village Green.

Dr Wilding proposed to purchase some fluorescent marker to spray the piles on the Green, then get a photograph from above with a drone.

12.1.2. Mud on the Causeway due to vehicle driving over the verges.

The area was laid by Linden and should therefore come under their maintenance agreement.

12.1.3 Tree protection order had been applied for from the Vale of White Horse for the area to the rear of Green Close. The Parish council was asked to support the application which they were happy to comply.

12.1.4 Hire of the village green.

It was felt that the green was an area for locals to enjoy and not for commercial purposes. Further investigation by the applicant to areas closer to home. Liaison would be required with both the Village Hall and the Sports and Social club for planned usage of the green.

12.1.5 Pegasus had asked if the Parish Council would like a visit to clarify any questions on the Bellway application. The Parish Council felt that although they were very welcome at any time there were no specific question to raise at present.

12.2 Sent

7/3/18	E	C Brickwood	Fwd: OALC training suitable for new councillors and new clerks 21st M	
7/3/18	E	Planning at Vale	Return forms	
12/3/18	E	Dick Bosley	Fwd: Milton & Steventon Flood Group	
12/3/18	E	crwilding	Re: Fwd: Extra Meeting re Chair role	
12/3/18	E	OALC Enquiries	Re: booking	
12/3/18	E	C Brickwood	Fwd:	
12/3/18	E	Chris Wilding , Joe Bennett	Meeting 19th March	
14/3/18	E	rbosley	Re: storage depot traffic	
14/3/18	E	C Brickwood	Fwd: OALC training Roles & Responsibilities 21st March	
14/3/18	E	Chris Wilding	Courses	
16/3/18	E	Chris Wilding	Fwd: Thames Water's draft Water Resources Management Plan	
19/3/18	E	Robin Wilkinson	Fwd: Meeting 19th March	
19/3/18	E	Steventon News , info	Fwd: T5495 Steventon, The Causeway and Stocks Lane Level	
19/3/18	E	Chris Wilding , Joe Bennett	Meeting tonight	
21/3/18	E	Christopher Wilding	Re: Fwd: Solka Quote	
21/3/18	E	Nick Kirby	Re: Proposed Development by Bellway Homes, Abingdon Road,	
21/3/18	E	Chris Wilding	Thames Water 10th April	
22/3/18	E	Arthur.mcewan-james	Fwd: Fwd: Little Lane footpath 366/9	
22/3/18	E	Caroline Miller	Re: Planning permission	
24/3/18	E	Open spaces	Stonebridge Road	
26/3/18	E	Robin Wilkinson	Re: Next Meeting	
26/3/18	E	Paul Melarange	Re: Order status	
26/3/18	E	Cllr Mike Fox-Davies	Potholes	
27/3/18	E	DEREK STORK	Re: Display Boards	
27/3/18	E	Cllr Mike Fox-Davies	Meeting	
29/3/18	E	Christopher Wilding	Re: Fwd: Expert opinion on Steventon Bridge application	
29/3/18	E	rbosley	Re: no_subject	
3/4/18	E	Robert Green:	Fwd: [SPAM]Important Message from the CEO re: GDPR	
3/4/18	E	Nick and Mary Thompson	Re: Little Lane footpath	
3/4/18	E	Cllr Mike Fox-Davies	Re: Meeting	
3/4/18	E	Chris Wilding	Fwd: Re: Meeting	
3/4/18	E	Robert Green:	Solka report	
3/4/18	E	Taryn Booth	Re: Bluestone Invoice 101430	

16. PLANNING MATTERS

16.1 Applications

16.1.1 **P17/V2902/FUL Land at Abingdon Road Abingdon Road Steventon OX13 6RW**

Erection of 52 residential dwellings including affordable housing provision, access and associated highways works, parking, public open space and landscaping. (As amended by agents email and plans received on 15/03/2018 amending the layout and landscaping of the site).

Object. Appreciate variation of building design, still too many for space. The original green area in the conservation area would provide outside space usable by the flats with no garden and improve density. Previous development permitted as insufficient housing supply and local plan not in place. The puffin crossing is very much needed but also a footpath for both developments on east side of Abingdon Road to access the bus stop and the village green. The design statement says footpath on Abingdon road, but it is not in the plan.

16.1.2 P17/V1161/P18 Steventon Bridge Steventon

Provision of New Overbridge, under Part 18 Class A to Schedule 2 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015, requiring the Local Planning Authority's Prior Approval. As amended by plans received on 10 August 2017. (As per additional Information received 19 September 2017 and OCC letter received 1 March 2018)

Object design is inappropriate

16.1.3 P17/V1154/LB Steventon Overbridge High Street Steventon Abingdon OX13 6RS

Demolition of listed railway overbridge, and provision of replacement bridge. As amended by plans received on 10 August 2017. (As per additional information received 19 September 2017 and OCC Letter received 1 March 2018). Additional Options Review from PBA received 16 March 2018.

Object to both. Demolition has not been proved to be the only way to achieve electrification. Report commissioned by the Parish Council gives alternatives. Historic England has many unanswered questions which require responses, and the case has not been proved. The Parish Council supported their concerns The Vale Committee now likely to consider the application in May. A computer simulation is required.

16.1.4 P18/V0054/FUL – STV 20 Tatlings Road Steventon Abingdon OX13 6AT

Single Storey Ancillary Annex to main dwelling (As amended by Composite Proposed A2 2010 B, submitted on the 20th March 2018). NOT a separate dwelling

Object. Improved by reduction to one storey but now even larger footprint covering whole of the rear of the garden, across the main sewer. Object to a garden city growing. Over development.

14. MATTERS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING 1st May 2018

The meeting closed at 9.55 pm

APPROVAL Signed as a true record of the Meeting:

Name: Dr C R Wilding

Position: Chairman of the Parish Council

Signature:

Date: 1st May 2018