

Minutes of a meeting of the Orton Waterville Parish Council
held in the Village Hall, Glebe Avenue, Orton Waterville, on
Wednesday, 16 March 2011, at 7.30 pm.

Present: Mr M Chambers (in the chair) Mr P Froggitt Mr R Hammerton
Mr C Long Mr M Rowett Cllr Mrs J Stokes (from 8.00pm)
Mrs D Sandles Mrs G Thornley

Members of the Public – None PCSOs – None Ward Councillors – as above

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Apologies for absence were received from Mrs J Farnham, Mr M Stone and Mr M Smith. These were accepted.
2. PUBLIC FORUM – 18 members of public were present at the Annual Parish Meeting of electors which was held immediately prior to the Parish Council meeting. They were mainly allotment holders who were concerned about the water situation on the allotments. This matter will be discussed later on the agenda.
3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS
 - Item 7(a) – Mr C Long and Mr R Hammerton (members of the Village Hall Committee)
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 - Item 12 (a) - Mr P Froggitt (allotment tenant)
 - Item 12(b) - Mrs D Sandles (allotment tenant)
 - Item 12(c) - Mr M Rowett (allotment tenant)
4. LOCAL POLICING MATTERS – There were no police present.
5. REPORTS FROM WARD COUNCILLORS – Cllr Stokes report was read out by the Clerk. She had received a complaint about the Orton Waterville buses. Apparently on one occasion the bus was running late and the driver said he didn't have time to go all round the village so he stopped on Oundle Road only and made the passenger walk. The lady wrote to Stagecoach and although she has received a reply, it was not satisfactory. Cllr Stokes is taking the matter further. There has been illegal camping at the former Lady Lodge Arts Centre. Although not in her ward as a City Councillor, this is in our parish. The Travellers are being moved on. Cllr Stokes will be attending a meeting regarding the Consultation on the Orton Medical Centre and will keep the Parish Council informed on the outcome.
6. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16 February 2011 – Mr Froggitt proposed and Mr Rowett seconded that the minutes be signed as a true and correct record. This was carried.
7. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
 - (a) Village Hall (minute 7b).
The City Council's budget was passed with no query on the precept requested by the Parish Council. CPALC have confirmed that section 133 of the LGA can be used for contributing to the Village Hall refurbishment. The Clerk has therefore confirmed in writing that a limit of £30,000 has been set aside for this purpose.
8. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED
 - (a) Listed Buildings Survey – The City Council is compiling an 'At Risk Register' of listed buildings and is consulting with the Parish Council on any buildings in its parish it may want adding. It was agreed to request the little cottage in front of No. 40A Cherry Orton Road and No. 25 Cherry Orton Road.
 - (b) Responses to Planning Consultation – Notification has been received of the City Council's intention to make all consultee responses to planning applications available on the website. This has been noted.
 - (c) Village Hall Sign – A request was received from the Women's Institute, who had originally paid for a finger post sign pointing to the Village Hall, that the Parish Council take over the maintenance of this signpost in future. This was agreed.
 - (d) War Memorial Reception – An invitation to a reception at the Town Hall was received. Mrs Thornley agreed to attend this reception on behalf of the Parish Council.

9. QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE

It was agreed to commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee which falls in 2012. Mr Chambers proposed and Mr Rowett seconded that a new signpost at the cross roads in Orton Waterville, topped with a commemoration plaque, be considered and investigated.

10. ELECTIONS

It has been confirmed by the City Council that the Orton Waterville Parish Council will have elections on Thursday 5 May 2011. Nomination forms can be obtained from the Parish Clerk or from the Town Hall. Closing date for the receipt of nominations is noon on Monday 4 April. Two parish councillors who have been representing Orton Wistow have declared that they will not be standing again, and there are still two seats to be filled in Orton Goldhay East.

11. BURIAL GROUND

- (a) Beebys have now collected the plaque to be attached to the bench seat.
- (b) The contract with Beebys includes the replacement of any dead plants. It was agreed that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman will inspect the site in due course to monitor this work.
- (c) The installation of a Desk type memorial will take place on 22 March 2011.

12. ALLOTMENTS

- (a) Wyman Way – Landplan have confirmed that the planned installation of a stand pipe at Wyman Way is an enclosed one with a lockable steel casing. Landplan have also agreed that they have not sprayed the correct amount of area and will remedy this. A plan of the new allotments has been drawn by Mr Froggitt and agreed. The Clerk will re-number the allotments to accommodate these new plots.
- (b) Cherry Orton Road – Following consultation with the public regarding water on the allotments, the Parish Council has agreed to replace all the taps. However, due to the fact that some tenants are leaving their hosepipes on all the time, the Parish Council has agreed to replace the turn taps with push down ones. The Clerk agreed to obtain another quotation for this work. To deter these from being stolen, they will be removed during the winter when the water is turned off. To increase security, new locks will be purchased and the combination number changed. Tenants will be notified of the new number and instructed to close the gates on entering and leaving and to keep the gates locked even when on site. These measures will apply to the Gostwick site as well. Mrs Sandles had inspected the boundary of the Cherry Orton Road site and identified a possible breach of entry. Mr Froggitt agreed to attend to the breach.
- (c) Gostwick – As well as the replacement of all the taps (as in Cherry Orton Road) the Clerk reported that an archaeological survey had been carried out by the City Council.

13. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

(a) The following payments were authorised

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| Beebys (cemetery maintenance) | £273.00 |
| Village Hall (annual hire charge) | £200.00 |
| Computer Surgery (technical assistance) | £91.00 |
| L Garfield (repair to bus shelter) | £56.40 |
| PCC (grass cutting and play area maintenance) | £1,550.17 |
| HM Revenue & Customs (Tax & NI) | 193.27 |
| Clerk's salary | 620.45 |

(b) Income received to date

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| Bank Interest | £0.52 |
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14. PLANNING MATTERS

(a) Applications received

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| 11/00238/FUL | Extension at 4 Waterville Gardens, Orton Waterville | No objection |
| 11/00209/FUL | Cycle Shelters at the Environment Agency, Orton Goldhay | No objection |
| 11/00234/CTR | Fell tree at Pembroke House, 19 Cherry Orton Road, Orton Waterville | No objection |
| 11/00173/FUL | Extension to garage at 10 Cherry Orton Road, Orton Waterville | No objection |
| 11/00172/LBC | Listed building consent to decoration at 10 Cherry Orton Road, Orton Waterville | No objection |

(b) Decisions on previous applications

11/00017/FUL Conservatory at 21 Fraserburgh Way, Orton Southgate

Granted

15. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER MATTERS – It was agreed to report to the City Council that the bollard at Lynch Wood has been uprooted.

16. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mr Hammerton agreed to follow up about the graffiti cleaning at the back of the shops.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.15 pm.