

**Minutes of the Oving Parish Council meeting held at the Reading Room
Bowling Alley, Oving on Tuesday 10 November 2009 at 8:00pm**

Councillors Present: Roger Ball - Chairman, Ambrose McGinn, Stuart Nicholls, Jack Peeters, Chris George

Visitors Present: 4 plus Cllr Sue Polhill

Action

Item

The meeting started at 8:00pm

Two parishioners expressed concern regarding football being played on a Sunday morning due to the noise and foul language and a petition of 36 signatures was handed to the Chairman. Recreational ground rules were queried and the parishioners were advised that there was no record in previous minutes or the deeds stating what the recreational area could or could not be used for.

The issue of speeding was raised especially along Bowling Alley.

A parishioner was of the view that the questionnaire regarding the proposed pavilion was biased. She was advised that the questionnaire had been originated by the Design and Location Group. Relocation of the playground was discussed which would allow better visibility.

The Chairman thanked the visitors for their interest and concerns.

1 To accept apologies for absence

Cllr Sue Polhill would be late

2 Declaration of interest in items on the agenda

None.

3 Acceptance of minutes of the Council Meeting held on 8 September 2009

These were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

4 Matters arising not covered by the agenda

Item 11 - It had been agreed that Cllr Peeters would draft a letter to BCC on behalf of villagers opposing the proposed incinerator plant at Calvert. Cllr Peeters reported that a decision had been made by BCC prior to him submitting an objection.

Cllr Sue Polhill arrived

5 To agree Accounts to end of October 2009

The Clerk had previously circulated the accounts which were agreed.

6 To agree the Cheque run for October/November 2009

The cheque run was approved.

7 To update on Street Lights

Cllr George reported that the streetlights had now been replaced. Two further lights had been identified and would be added to the replacement programme.

8 To update on Pavilion Project & Survey Results

The results of the questionnaire were circulated as follows:

Total number of questionnaires delivered to residents of Oving		368
Completed questionnaires returned by residents of Oving		259
Questionnaires returned as a percentage of total delivered		70.4%
Residents in favour of a new Pavilion and Meeting Room on Oving Recreation Ground if sufficient funds can be raised		208
Residents in favour as a percentage of questionnaires delivered		56.5%
Residents in favour as a percentage of questionnaires returned		80.3%
Residents not in favour		51
Residents not in favour as a percentage of questionnaires returned		19.7%
Preferred site of residents in favour	Site A (Old Pavilion)	57
	Percentage	27.4%
	Site B (Tennis Courts)	151
	Percentage	72.6%

The count was undertaken by Glyn Thomas, Parish Clerk and Michelle Jackson, Clerk's Assistant at 4.00 pm on 2 November 2009, no other person being present. The results would be published in the Parish News Magazine and on the noticeboards and website.

Cllr Peeters

The Parish Council decided to accept the majority view and the next step agreed was to proceed with the planning application for Site B.

Cllr Ball

Fundraising events in the village were being planned for the new year. Cllr Ball to seek additional members of Funding Group.

9 To report on Reproduction of Map

A draft of the map was circulated which, at no cost to OPC, was unanimously approved.

The Clerk

10 Update on Neighbourhood Action Group

Cllr Nicholls reported on the meeting on 28 October. Issues raised were increase in burglaries this time of year, an increase in graffiti and lifting goods from cars. A note would be included in the Parish News warning parishioners not to leave valuables in cars. A date for using the speed equipment would be organised soon and police speed traps were in place. It was agreed to send a letter of congratulations to PSCO Wendy Taylor for attaining the Best PSCO of the Year Award for Thames Valley.

The Clerk

- 11 To Consider Benches Refurbishment
- It was unanimously agreed to refurbish the 4 benches on the recreation ground and the 3 others in the village.**
- The Clerk
- 12 Planning applications considered since 8 September
- The revised Anmer planning application had now been approved taking into account some of OPC's concerns. Cllr Peeters to follow up on the housing plans proposed on land adjacent to the Stables, Oving Road.**
- Cllr Peeters
- 13 To update on litter bins
- The litter bin would be installed on the telegraph pole opposite the Black Boy pub at the end of November.
- 14 To update on Recreational Ground Rules
- After discussion it was agreed that a letter be sent to Walton Court Wanderers Vets Football Club advising them that representation had been made by parishioners to OPC regarding the noise and foul language and that permission to play on Sunday mornings would be withdrawn for next season if there was no improvement. The Clerk to draft a letter for circulation to Cllrs. It was also suggested that the Referees Association be contacted.**
- The Clerk
- 15 To discuss NBPPC
- OPC had previously decided not to join. The Clerk would circulate any information to Cllrs.**
- 16 **Date of next meeting**
12 January 2010

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.10 pm.