

BOURTON PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of Bourton Parish Council will be held on
Wednesday 13 July 2016
at 1900 hrs in the Village Hall

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for absence**
2. **Declarations of Interest**
3. **Minutes of meeting held on 13 June 2016**
4. **Matters arising**
5. **Questions from Members of the Public**
6. **Finance**
 - a) **To approve payment to Fred Jefferies for work in June**
 - b) **To approve quarterly payment to Clerk**
7. **Planning Issues**
 - a) **To note response to change of land use at Shrivenham golf course**
 - b) **To note planning permission granted for 3 storey extension at Pinewood School to provide kitchen extension, dormitory and bedroom accommodation**
 - c) **Update on road works on bridge at South Marston/Old Vicarage Lane**
8. **Update on road repairs in Bourton**
9. **Update on Town and Parish Forum on 7 July 2016**
10. **Correspondence**
11. **Any Other Business**
12. **Date of Next Meeting**

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE VERY WELCOME TO ATTEND

Signed:

Dated:

MINUTES OF THE BOURTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
MONDAY 13 JULY 2016 AT 1900 HRS IN VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT

Cllr N Ledingham (Chairman from Item 6-12)

Cllr D Swann (Chairman from Item 1-6)

Cllr J Bean

Cllr D Austin

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Cllr Moore. Cllr Ledingham had notified the Clerk that he would be late.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13 JUNE

The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 13 June were unanimously approved by all present and were signed by the Chairman.

4. MATTERS ARISING

4a) Highways were unwilling to repair the potholes in Steppingstone Lane and reported that the entire length (including outside Well Cottage) was not an adopted highway but a bridleway and therefore did not fall within their remit. They had forwarded information on the procedure the residents could follow if they wished the lane to be adopted but unfortunately this would be a very expensive undertaking and was not likely to be pursued by the residents. The Clerk had also asked Network Rail if they would be willing, on a goodwill basis, to fill the potholes while they were in the village repairing the roads. She had not had any luck with this request so far but would keep trying.

4b) The Clerk had also emailed Network Rail to chase up a response to her report about the cracks on the railway bridge at Lower Bourton and ask if there was any possibility of a weight restriction being imposed. Network Rail has promised to keep the Parish Council informed once the Asset Management Team has assessed the situation.

c) The Clerk had asked Gary Vaughan if he could possibly organise for the hedge on the hill to be cut back.

4d) The Clerk had forwarded to Councillors the email received from the owners of Horseshoe Cottage following the Parish Council's objection to their planning application. Apparently, since the application had been submitted, the planners had changed their advice concerning the amount of car parking spaces that needed to be provided. No further comments had been sent to the Vale in advance of the deadline as it was felt that parking would still be an issue in that location. This was an opinion shared by neighbouring property owners.

4b) The Clerk had received responses from a small number of residents who would be willing to volunteer to be trained in the use of a speedwatch device so that they could man it from time to time in the village. It was agreed that the Parish Council would contribute to the cost of the device, even if it meant a quarter share. The Clerk would contact the Neighbourhood Action Group to let them know the decision. **Action: Clerk**

5. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were no questions from members of the public.

6. FINANCE

6a) It was unanimously agreed to pay Fred Jefferies for work in June and a cheque for £16.00 was signed.

6b) The PAYE had not been assessed for the Clerk's quarterly payment and therefore this would be submitted in September along with the 2016-18 National Salary Awards from NALC.

7. PLANNING ISSUES

7a) The responses from Watchfield and Shrivenham to the change of land use at Shrivenham golf course were noted. Bourton Parish Council had earlier objected to the building of 136 houses on the golf course.

7b) It was noted that planning permission had been granted for a 3 storey extension at Pinewood School to provide for a kitchen extension, dormitory and bedroom accommodation.

7c) The Clerk had been informed that the railway bridge from the A420 leading to Old Vicarage Lane, South Marston was to close from 15 August - 16 December whilst Network Rail repair and replace steelwork. The South Marston Leisure Club and Hotel is also closing at the end of October. South Marston's Clerk had written to ask Bourton for advice on making Network Rail repair any consequential damage to village roads during the closure. The Clerk would respond with some advice and wish her luck!

Action: Clerk

There were two other Planning matters that had come up after the agenda had been finalised.

It was noted that a planning application has been submitted for an Energy Centre at Keypoint, South Marston for a waste incinerator with a 52m chimney to deal with 150,000 tonnes of waste per year.

The planning application for 370 dwellings at Redland had been revised and it was agreed that the Clerk should resend the original letter of objection.

Action: Clerk

8. UPDATE ON ROAD REPAIRS IN BOURTON

NL reported the road at Lower Bourton had now been resurfaced and was open. Despite Network Rail saying the surface was soggy, Highways had proceeded with the repairs, so it was unclear how long they would last. It appears the minimum has been done in order to re-open the road. The sunken patch over the bridge has been done but not the one on the far side of the bridge by the gates. The drive entrance to Cleyfield Manor has been repaired but the verges along The Avenue have not been reinstated to an adequate extent. NL has been promised that Network Rail and Highways will invite him to join a walk through.

Action: NL

9. UPDATE ON TOWN AND PARISH FORUM 7 JULY 2016

NL had been unable to attend the Forum but a report would be forwarded in due course.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk had written to Jeremy Lloyd to express disappointment that the planning training would take place three times but all during the week commencing 25 July, ie the busiest holiday week in the summer.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Monday 19 September at 1900 hrs in the village hall.

Signed: 

Date: 19/9/16

Cheques Issued:

Fred Jefferies £16.00 no 000394 (dated 13 July 2016)