

LAUNTON PARISH COUNCIL

Members of the Parish Council and the Parish Clerk had been available in Launton Congregational Church before the start of the formal meeting (from 7.00pm until 7.30pm) to meet with the public. All plans and correspondence were available for viewing and comments. The formal meeting commenced at 7.30pm and 2 parishioners availed themselves of this opportunity.

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 8 January 2009 at 7.30pm in Launton Congregational Church

Present: Councillors: - Mr Simon Turner- Chairman, Mrs Audrey Tutt, Mr Howard Hill, Mrs Molly O'Connor, Mr Ian Stubbings & Mr Roger Tompkins
In attendance: Mr Laurie Lee – Clerk.

- 1 Apologies for absence were received and accepted from – Miss Wendy Foster due to another commitment**
- 2 Declarations of interest – None**
- 3 Minutes of the last meeting** - The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 11 December 2008 were unanimously agreed as a true record and were signed and dated by the Chairman.
Proposed: Councillor Turner Seconded: Councillor O'Connor
All in favour Motion carried

- 4 Report from Oxfordshire County Councillor for Launton- None**

- 5 Report from Cherwell District Councillor for Launton- None**

6 Financial

a) Expenditure for approval and payment in January

200001	W Jeffries - Bus Shelter	£ 80.30
200002	L Lee	£488.97
200003	Oxfordshire Carers' Association	£ 25.00
200004	The Oxfordshire Woodland Project	£ 25.00
200005	Air Ambulance Berks Oxon Bucks	£ 25.00
200006	Oxfordshire Association for the Blind	£ 25.00
200007	Launton Parish Hall	£ 42.00

Total Payments for January 2009 **£711.27**

All above cheques drawn on Co-op current account

Proposal to pay all expenditure

Proposed: Councillor Turner Seconded: Councillor Tutt

All in favour Motion carried

Receipts

Bank of Ireland	Interest November	£ 60.94
	December	£ 39.25
Barclays	Interest Sep-Dec	£ 5.80

Total Receipts for November / December 2008 **£ 105.99**

- b)** Current bank statements were circulated & unanimously accepted.

7 Planning

- a) To discuss and decide on Planning Applications for consideration
None

b) Planning Decisions

Application No: 08/02190/F
Applicant: Mr Martin Lindsey-Clark
Proposal: Retrospective application for amendments to permission 07/02026/F (Dwelling with parking & turning area)
Location: The Warren, Station Rd, Launton
Decision: **Refused**

Application No: 08/02278/F
Applicant: Mrs Cathryn Lloyd
Proposal: Change of use of existing barn & facilities for use as DIY part/assisted livery stables
Location: Stratton Field Stables, Launton Rd, Stratton Audley
Decision: **Approved subject to conditions**

8 New Clerk

6 applications have been received to date and a shortlist of applicants was drawn up for interview subject to further applications being received and considered. It was proposed that interviews be conducted by Cllr Turner & Cllr Foster.

Proposed: Councillor Stubbings Seconded: Councillor Hill
4 in favour 1 abstention Motion carried

Action ST to arrange interview date with WT. **Clerk** to check availability of Parish Hall.

9 Village Issues

Allotments

Several expressions of interest have been received in the allotments, with 7 people interested in being on the Management Committee. Cllr Stubbings agreed to attend the initial meetings whilst the Management Committee is set up. **Action Clerk** to check availability of Parish Hall, then agree a date to invite interested parties to initial meeting.

Sherwood Close Grass Area No information received from CDC

Bus Stops in Launton- Real Time Information Equipment

It was proposed that the preferred place for RTIT would be the Post Office
NAPTAN Code 34001566OUT

Proposed: Councillor Stubbings Seconded: Councillor Turner
All in favour Motion carried

Action Clerk to advise Matt Bromley at OCC

Dog Bin at Launton Playing Fields

It was proposed that a new bin be provided to replace the broken bin. The new bin would be sited at the half-way line of the football pitch. It was proposed to purchase a new bin, post & attachments & that the bin is installed by Howard Hill.

Proposed: Councillor Turner Seconded: Councillor Stubbings
All in favour Motion carried

Action Clerk to contact CDC to arrange purchase.

10 Correspondence

To discuss and decide on response to correspondence for consideration:

- Communities in Control- Code of recommended practice on local authority publicity- **A consultation- Circulated separately (03 January) to respond Feb meeting**
- Victim Support –Request for Volunteers
- CDC- Review of Rural Affordable Housing & Exception Sites- Questionnaire- **to respond at Feb meeting**

Correspondence received for information (folder circulated)

- CDC – Cherwell Parishes Meeting November 2008-Review
- CDC- Standards Committee– Parish Council survey Analysis of responses
- CDC- Rural Strategy Update – November 2008
- CDC- Annual Report & Summary of Accounts 2007/08
- CDC- Recycle for Cherwell –Hire of recycling bins
- Weston Otmoor – Eco-Town newsletter December 2008
- NHS Oxfordshire – Health News Winter 2008
- Trust for Oxfordshire's Environment 10th Anniversary brochure
- ORCC- Review autumn / winter 2008 Issue 4

11 Reports

Chairman's Report

The Chairman advised that he had been asked by Bucknell PC if Launton PC would support a letter challenging the legality of placing the proposed waste incinerator at Ardley. **Action ST** will circulate the letter when it is received.

Clerk's Report

The Clerk advised of a letter received from a member of the public regarding equestrian traffic. This will be added to the February agenda.

Action Clerk

Another letter was received from Victim Support looking for volunteers.

Action Clerk to place information in Launton Lines & respond to letter.

12 Date of next meeting - Thursday 5 February 2009 Launton Parish Hall

The meeting closed at 8.32pm.