

APPLEFORD-ON-THAMES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held in the Village Hall,
Appleford on Monday 1st November 2010.

Present: Alan Sharp (Chair), Audrey Sharp, Chris Martin,
Mark Richards
In attendance: Judy Beck (Clerk), Stewart Lilly (County
Councillor)
Apologies: David Andrews
Members of the Public: 5

10/116 Apologies for Absence

Cllr Andrews had sent apologies.

10/117 Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

None.

10/118 Public Participation

The proposed landscaping at the recreation ground was discussed. The council was requested to ensure the new lighting was manually switched on when required. The possible use of the recreational allotments for a community orchard, and vehicular access to the village hall were also discussed. The proposal for renting the recreation ground to the cricket club as well as the football club met with general approval but some concerns.

10/119 Minutes of the meeting held on 4th October 2010

The minutes were approved as a correct record of the meeting, and the Chairman signed accordingly.

10/120 County Councillor's Report

Cllr Stewart Lilly reported on various matters including the planning application for an incinerator at Ardley; WRG application for an MBT; the OCC spending review; and the Local Government Boundary Review.

10/121 District Councillor's Report

None.

10/122 Matters Arising from the minutes and Matters of Urgency

- a) Village Hall buildings insurance. The clerk reported that cover for the village hall building had been taken off the village hall management committee insurance policy when it was renewed in October. The clerk had arranged additional cover on the parish council insurance at a cost of £242.00 as a matter of urgency. It was resolved to request this amount back from the village hall management committee.
- b) The council had received a request from the village hall management committee for a contribution towards the electricity for the new lighting. It was agreed that, since the lighting is now on manual switch and

would be used only if the hall were hired, there was no need for a contribution.

- c) Boundary Commission Review; the Chairman agreed to draft a response on behalf of the council.
- d) Didcot Expansion – the Chairman gave an update on the proposal to extend to the north and the opposition campaign.
- e) Waste facilities for the Village Hall; the clerk had spoken to the District Council and ordered a set of recycling bins for the hall. In order for free collection to continue, no rubbish produced from any hiring of the hall must be put out for waste collection. This means that the person doing the litterpick for the recreation ground can no longer remove any rubbish from the hall, and each hirer of the hall must remove all waste from the premises.

10/123 Recreation Ground

- a) The proposal from Appleford Parish Trust to purchase outdoor gym equipment was discussed. A vote had been held for the village, which endorsed the proposed equipment. The council authorised the installation at the recreation ground, and it was resolved that the equipment must be purchased by the Parish Trust and not by the council. The clerk to check with the council's insurers whether any additional liability is incurred if these items are added to the council's insurance policy.
- b) Car Park: Now that the lighting is installed, the car park resurfacing and replacement of posts can proceed out of the ACRE grant funding. The chairman to progress with the suppliers.

10/124 Traffic

Cllr Richards agreed to contact the County Council to discuss options for reducing speed of traffic through the village.

10/125 Liaison Meetings

No reports.

10/126 Correspondence

Correspondence had been circulated to the councillors since the last meeting and a list kept on file.

10/127 The Pressings Newsletter

The council is concerned that whilst the Pressings states that it is published by the parish council, the council does not manage the content, and content is not reviewed before publication. A village editorial committee was suggested as a possible means of review, and Cllr Richards agreed to draft an article for the Pressings to ask for feedback from the village.

10/128 Planning

Cllr Richards had written a formal response on behalf of the parish council to object to the MBT planning application from WRG (Oxfordshire County Council Application Ref. MW.0129/10)

10/129 Finance

a) Payments

The following cheques had been paid since the last meeting as a matter of urgency:

<i>Chq</i>	<i>Payee</i>	<i>For</i>	<i>Detail</i>	<i>£ total</i>
957	Broker Network Ltd (for Came & Co.)	Insurance Premium for village hall building cover VAT TOTAL PAYABLE	241.88	241.88
958	J Beck	Purchase of blue waste sacks for recreation ground VAT TOTAL PAYABLE	10.99 1.92	12.91

b) The following cheques were authorised for payment:

<i>Chq</i>	<i>Payee</i>	<i>For</i>	<i>Detail</i>	<i>£ total</i>
959	J Beck	Expenses for website domain applefordpc.org.uk 2010/11 VAT TOTAL PAYABLE	15.00 2.63	17.63
960	J Beck	Salary and expenses November 2010 VAT TOTAL PAYABLE		218.48
961	AKH Electrical	Installation of lighting to path at recreation ground VAT TOTAL PAYABLE	2,405.00 420.88	2,825.88
962	T Finch	Litterpick at Recreation Ground Jun – Oct TOTAL PAYABLE	308.00	308.00
963	Jim Boyland	Grounds maintenance September 2010 TOTAL PAYABLE	290.00 50.75	340.75

964	Oxfordshire Playing Fields Association	Subscription 2010/11	35.00
965	Society of Local Council Clerks	Membership 2010/11	61.00

10/130 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be the parish council meeting on Monday 6th December, starting at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

10/131 Close of Meeting

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.45 pm.

Signed Date