

Meeting of the Bovingdon Parish Council

Bovingdon Memorial Hall

14 January 2019 starting at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

Councillor Graham Barrett (Chairman)
Councillor Alison Gunn
Councillor Ben Richardson
Councillor Dave Stent
Councillor Richard Taylor
Councillor Adrian Watney
Councillor Pauline Wright

Also present:

County Councillor Richard Roberts
Borough Councillor Gbola Adeleke
Borough Councillor Stewart Riddick
Mike Kember, Parish Clerk
Dave Kirk, Responsible Financial Officer (RFO)

Representatives from the Village:

6 residents

1.	Apologies for Absence To receive any apologies for absence Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Julia Marshall, Julie Steer and Giles Turner and also from Kathy Banks.	
2.	Declaration of Interests linked to any of the Resolutions To receive any declarations of interest There were no Declarations of Interest.	
3.	Public Question Time There were no questions received from the public.	
4.	Minutes – To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 5 November 2018 Those Councillors present agreed that the minutes of the meeting of Bovingdon Parish Council held on 5 November 2018 were a true representation of the meeting and the minutes were signed by Councillor Richard Taylor.	
5.	Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 5 November 2018 There were no matters arising.	
6.	Crime Report PC Karl Diggens presented the crime figures for November and December 2018. Following several break-ins at the Bowls Club and in the Memorial Hall, the Police are looking into the possibility of	

	<p>installing CCTV and will liaise with the Parish Council about this.</p> <p>The Police continue to work with Trading Standards to deal with issues at the Bovingdon Market regarding the selling of counterfeit goods.</p> <p>There continue to be concerns about vehicles attending the market and the problems these cause for residents on the approach roads to the airfield. Vehicles are currently using the entrance off Molyneaux Avenue to access and depart from the market, where as the intention was for this to be the exit and the entrance was further along the Chesham Road. Councillor Richard Roberts will discuss with Herts Highways.</p> <p>7. Neighbourhood Planning Councillor Barrett read out some notes giving an update prepared by Councillor Marshall.</p> <p>The Steering group has met 8 times since being formed in June 2018.</p> <p>The first Open Day was held at the Memorial Hall on 13 January, as a way to inform residents what the Neighbourhood Plan is all about and to gather their views on the main topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing • Community & Environment • Transport • Business. <p>It was very successful with over 330 people in attendance. All the feedback from the event has been positive, so far.</p> <p>We have begun to deliver two surveys to every household in the parish. The first is a general survey for the Neighbourhood Plan, asking questions about each of the four topics and gathering views on the future of Bovingdon. The second is being run by CDA Herts, specifically to gauge the need for 'Affordable Housing' in Bovingdon. Residents have until 1 February to complete the surveys online - our preferred method - or on the hard copy, which can be returned to the Parish Office.</p> <p>Once the surveys have been gathered in, the results will be analysed and a summary of the findings will be published. We will use the responses together with evidence from other bodies and further consultations with interested groups, to form policies for the Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>Councillor Barrett thanked the Steering Group and in particular the Chair, Councillor Julia Marshall for all their hard work and for organising the highly successful open day.</p> <p>8. To receive and adopt the following Committee reports:</p>	<p>Councillor Richard Roberts</p>
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8.1	<p>Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on 22 May 2018 Resolved that the minutes of this meeting as circulated, be received and adopted.</p>	
8.2	<p>Minutes of the Planning Committee Meetings held on 5 November, 28 November and 19 December 2018 Resolved that the minutes of these meetings as circulated, be received and adopted.</p>	
9.	<p>Feedback from Chairman of Committees:</p>	
9.1	<p>Finance & General Purposes Committee In the absence of Councillor Turner, Dave Kirk, RFO gave a brief overview of the draft budget for 2019 -20.</p>	
9.1.1	<p>Resolutions to be considered from the Finance & General Purposes Committee</p>	
(a)	<p>That the Council approves the draft budgets for the Parish for 2019/2020 as set out in the attached papers. It was proposed by Councillor Barrett and seconded by Councillor Taylor and resolved that the Council approves the draft budgets for the Parish for 2019/2020 as set out in the attached papers.</p>	
(b)	<p>That the Council approves the draft budgets for the Memorial Hall for 2019/2020 as set out in the attached papers. It was proposed by Councillor Taylor and seconded by Councillor Watney and resolved that the Council approves the draft budgets for the Memorial Hall for 2019/2020 as set out in the attached papers.</p>	
(c)	<p>That the Council approves the proposed precept for 2019/2020. It was proposed by Councillor Taylor and seconded by Councillor Stent and resolved that the Council approves the proposed precept for 2019/2020.</p>	
9.2	<p>Memorial Hall Management Committee There was nothing to report.</p>	
9.3	<p>Outdoors Committee Councillor Stent reported that a 3-year contract has been entered into with the Sunnyside Rural Trust to carry out the village warden services.</p>	
9.4	<p>Personnel Committee The Committee last met on 19 June 2018.</p>	
9.5	<p>Planning Committee The Committee had met three times since the last Parish Council meeting and considered 27 applications.</p>	
10.	<p>Bovingdon Parish 10k – 1 September 2019 Councillor Taylor reported that this is now live on the Run Britain website. A lot of the arrangements are in place for this</p>	

	<p>year's event although the Red Cross are unable to provide first aid cover this year, discussions are underway with the St John Ambulance.</p>	
11.	<p>Feedback from Claire Norton, the Council's Representative on Bovington Primary Academy In the absence of Claire Norton there was no report.</p>	
12.	<p>Feedback from Kathy Banks, the Council's Representative on Friends of The Mount In the absence of Kathy Banks there was no report.</p>	
13.	<p>Feedback from Councillor Ben Richardson, the Council's Representative on Community Safety Councillor Richardson reported that the Drive Safe group has carried out 256 volunteer hours in the past year and 1,596 drivers have been written to as they were driving in excess of 35 mph in a 30 mph zone.</p> <p>In a personal capacity, Councillor Richardson is working as a volunteer CCTV reviewer for Herts Constabulary.</p> <p>Progress continues to be made to get a Community Watch operating in the village.</p>	
14.	<p>Feedback from Councillors Steer and Watney the Council's representatives on the Bovington Community Library Councillor Watney reported that progress continues to be made and that there is a healthy pool of volunteers. It is hoped that the volunteers will be able to take over the running of the Library by June 2019.</p>	
15.	<p>Any other urgent business</p>	
15.1	<p>Heathrow Future Airspace and Operations Consultation The Parish Clerk reported that a consultation ending on 4 March 2019 is underway to seek feedback on changes to Heathrow's future airspace and operations. Agreed that the Council will make a corporate response if there could be an impact on the village. This will also be advertised on the Council's website.</p>	Parish Clerk
16.	<p>Date of next meeting Monday 4 March 2019 at 7.30 p.m. in the Memorial Hall</p> <p>Meeting ended 8.20 p.m.</p>	