

Meeting of the Bovingdon Parish Council

Bovingdon Memorial Hall

2 September 2019 starting at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

Councillor Graham Barrett (Chairman)
Councillor Alison Gunn
Councillor Julia Marshall
Councillor Hugh Schneiders
Councillor Julie Steer
Councillor Dave Stent
Councillor Philip Walker
Councillor Adrian Watney
Councillor Pauline Wright

Also present:

Herts County Councillor Richard Roberts
Dacorum Borough Councillor Stewart Riddick
Mike Kember, Parish Clerk

Representatives from the Village:

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1.	Apologies for Absence To receive any apologies for absence Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Ben Richardson and Dacorum Borough Councillor Gbola Adeleke.	
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 matters raised.	
4.	Minutes – to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 1 July 2019 Those Councillors present agreed that the minutes of the meeting of Bovingdon Parish Council held on 1 July 2019 were a true representation of the meeting and the minutes were signed by Councillor Stent.	
5.	Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 1 July 2019	
5.1	The former Bull Pub Sign (adj. to the docks) This has been removed.	
5.2	Highway matters The Parish Clerk reported that due to holidays there has been a delay in organising a meeting with Councillors Richard Roberts, Graham Barrett, Dave Stent and Ben Richardson to investigate a scheme to improve the parking area outside of the Co-op including the introduction of parking restrictions and the provision of a disabled parking bay.	

5.3	<p>Finance & General Purposes Committee Councillor Steer reported that the decision to calculate the cost of staff time used in the administration of the Memorial Hall and to cost the Parish Council usage of the Memorial Hall will be assessed by the Finance & General Purposes Committee.</p>	
6.	<p>Crime Report In the absence of a police representative there was no report,</p>	
7.	<p>Neighbourhood Planning Councillor Marshall reported that there has been 14 meetings of the Steering Group since June 2018. The next meeting will be held on 10 September 2019. All the documents are published on the Parish Council's website. There have been a number of surveys undertaken and thought is currently being given as to how this information can be best displayed.</p> <p>Notification has been received from Dacorum BC that an application has been received from Kings Langley Parish Council to designate its parish area as a Neighbourhood Area for Kings Langley.</p>	
8.	<p>To receive and adopt the following Committee reports:</p>	
8.1	<p>Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting held on 20 May 2019 Resolved that the minutes of these meetings as circulated, be received and adopted.</p>	
8.2	<p>Minutes of the Outdoors Committee meeting held on 17 June 2019 Resolved that the minutes of this meeting as circulated, be received and adopted.</p>	
8.3	<p>Minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 17 June, 1 July and 22 July 2019 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 Councillor Steer reported that the Parish Council meeting held on 1 July 2019 approved Investments for the Parish Council and the Memorial Hall, which are still to be finalised.</p> <p>The Railtas Accounting System has been purchased and a training day held.</p> <p>Agreed that Councillors Steer and Barrett will meet with the RFO prior to the next meeting of Finance & General Purposes Committee in October (date to be arranged) to progress issues.</p>	Councillors Steer & Barrett / RFO
9.2	<p>Memorial Hall Management Committee Councillor Steer reported that the Memorial Hall will be 100 years old in 2021 and the Royal British Legion will also be celebrating their 100th anniversary. 2020 will mark 75 years since the end of WW II. Discussions to be held with Tom Morkill as to how these anniversaries can be recognised.</p>	Councillor Steer / Parish Clerk

<p>9.3</p>	<p>Outdoors Committee Councillor Stent thanked Richard Taylor and Councillor Steer for their hard work in organising the third 10k and 3k fun runs, which had been very successful. He had received a lot of positive comments about the event from both runners and residents.</p> <p>The contract with the Sunnyside Rural Trust continues to work well. Councillor Barrett and the Parish Clerk are meeting with Matt Felix on 9 September to review and monitor the contract.</p> <p>Councillor Stent reported that he has had discussions with a number of businesses and other people about the High Street Parking Review and that there is an impetus amongst people to try and improve the situation.</p>	
<p>9.4</p>	<p>Personnel Committee The Committee last met on 19 June 2018.</p>	
<p>9.5</p>	<p>Planning Committee The Committee has met three times since the last meeting of the Parish Council and considered 10 applications.</p> <p>Councillor Barrett reported that outline Planning Permission has been granted for the redevelopment of the Bobsleigh Inn, which includes part demolition of existing hotel premises and associated buildings, conversion of the 'stable lodge' into 1 no dwelling and construction of 60 no dwellings, made up of 36 no apartments and 24 no houses and relocation of 2 no existing mobile homes.</p>	
<p>10.</p>	<p>Health & Safety There was nothing to report.</p>	
<p>11.</p>	<p>Bovingdon Parish 10k – 1 September 2019 Councillor Steer reported that 243 people out of the 286 registered ran the 10k. Due to increased investment in the infrastructure of the race it is probable that the event will break even this year. Councillor Steer said that there had been a lot of positive comments from runners, marshalls and spectators. It is possible that the number of runners may be increased to 350 for the event in 2020.</p> <p>Up to 100 people had taken part in the 3k run.</p> <p>Unfortunately, due to some vandalism on the evening before the race, several signs will need to be replaced.</p> <p>Councillor Roberts thanked Councillor Steer and Richard Taylor and everyone who was involved in the day. He said it was a wonderful event, well organised and with a lovely atmosphere.</p>	
<p>12.</p>	<p>Feedback from Claire Norton, the Council's Representative on Bovingdon Primary Academy In the absence of Claire Norton there was no report.</p>	
<p>13.</p>	<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>	

14.	<p>Feedback from Councillor Ben Richardson, the Council's Representative on Community Safety In the absence of Councillor Richardson there was no report.</p>	
15.	<p>Feedback from Councillors Steer and Watney the Council's representatives on the Bovingdon Community Library Councillor Watney reported that all was going well with the volunteers running the Library.</p>	
16.	<p>Any other urgent business</p>	
16.1	<p>Highways update Agreed that Councillor Roberts will send the Parish Council a list of the proposed works for 2019 - 20 and 2020 -21.</p>	Councillor Roberts
16.2	<p>Airfields of Britain Conservation Trust (ABCT) The Parish Clerk reported that he had received a call from the Director General of ABCT enquiring whether the Parish Council would be interested in having a memorial erected at Bovingdon Airfield. The council were supportive of the idea and the Parish Clerk was asked to progress this.</p>	
17.	<p>The council were supportive of the idea and the Parish Clerk was asked to progress this.</p>	Parish Clerk
18.	<p>Date of next meeting Monday 4 November 2019 at 7.30 p.m. in the Memorial Hall – apologies received from Councillor Julie Steer</p>	
	<p>A resolution was passed in the following terms:</p>	
	<p><u>Exclusion of the public</u></p> <p>That under S 4 (A) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 the public be excluded during the item(s) in Part II of the agenda for this meeting, because it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, that if members of the public were present during these items there would be disclosure to them of exempt information relating to an organisation:</p>	
19	<p>Neighbourhood Plan A discussion took place regarding the ongoing progress of the Neighbourhood Plan.</p>	
	<p>Meeting ended 9.20 p.m.</p>	