

HOLTON PARISH COUNCIL

The Holton Parish Council meeting was held in Holton Village Hall on Monday 12th February 2018 starting at 7.30 pm.

Present:

Chairman Robert Barter
Councillor Roger Farrow
Councillor Brian Pridmore
Parish Clerk Sonja Barter

Also present: John Walsh (District Councillor) Kirsten Johnson (County Councillor) Paula Hood (Wheatley Parish Council) John Fox (Neighbourhood Plan) Brian Dobson (Village Resident)

1. **Apologies:** Allan East, Anthony Yeates
- 1a. **Declarations of interest:**
None

OPEN FORUM

Kirsten Johnson gave an update on County Council matters: The request for a Public Enquiry into the route of the Oxford/Cambridge Expressway, Rural transport matters and the continued issues around the Holton Village Green, awaiting an update from Vanessa Buckley. Super Users are village people who have been trained to check on the road defects and pot holes and report back to the CC where the works will then be given priority. The Clerk to get more information on this scheme and advertise in the village magazine for an interested villager to take on this role.

Councillors raised the issue of the poor state of the village road surface from the Green to the Pond Farm end of the village. This was not included in the road re-surfacing carried out in the rest of the village. Highways to be contacted and a request for this to be included in the re-surfacing schedules.

John Walsh discussed the Terence House Planning Application and the forthcoming Planning Committee Meeting, the Oxford Brookes application and other current applications.

Paula Hood representing Wheatley Parish Council presented the views of WPC on the Brookes planning application and expressed grave concerns over this application.

- The two vehicular access routes will create dangerous road conditions one through the school access point and the other onto the Waterperry Road. The current infrastructure is already congested and dangerous in places.

- The development would inflict serious material harm to the openness of the Green Belt.
- The proposed number of dwellings is contrary to SODC's emerging local plan
- The proposed built area is excessive and to the detriment of historic Holton Park, the listed buildings and parkland.
- Loss of sports pitches and facilities
- Facilities in Wheatley unable to cope with the extra demand

John Fox reported on the Neighbourhood Plan and the opposition to the numbers of dwellings proposed and the area of land to be developed.

Holton Parish Councillors discussed with the Wheatley representatives, the various issues of common concern raised from the Brookes Planning Application .

Holton Parish Council then went back into the meeting to discuss the Planning Applications and brought forward Item 10 to accommodate the visitors from Wheatley and the District Councillor

10. Planning Applications

P17/S3715/FUL. Terence House, Holton. OX33 1PS
Amendment No 2.

Variation of Condition 2 of Planning Permission P14/S3212/FUL to move the building 1.8 m closer to NW boundary. Amplified by GCN Licence and amended plans received 20th November 2017.

Amendments to approved pool/garage building under planning permission P14/SO338/FUL. (Erection of a four bedroom dwelling with ancillary pool/garage)
(As amended by Design and Access Statement received 22 November 2015)

This planning application to be dealt with at a Planning Committee Meeting at which Holton Parish Council will be represented. A site meeting to be held before the Committee meeting. The date of this Committee meeting has yet to be decided.

P18/S0095/O (Outline) Old Park Farm, Holton. OX33 1PX

Application for outline planning permission for single dwelling house for a farm worker

Holton Parish Council recommend Refusal as inappropriate development in the greenbelt.

P18/S0085/PAR. Church Farm, Holton. OX33 1PR

Change of use of two agricultural buildings and land within their curtilage into three dwelling houses.

Response of the Parish Council – To our knowledge the buildings have not been used for agricultural purposes for a long time and cannot be classed as agricultural buildings.

P17/S4254/O (Outline) Oxford Brookes University, Waterperry Road, Holton. OX33 1HX.

Outline planning application, with all matters reserved for subsequent approval except details of vehicular access, for demolition of all existing structures and redevelopment of the site with up to 500 dwellings and associated works including; engineering operations, including site clearance, remediation, remodelling and deposition of inert fill material arising from demolition on site; installation of new and modification of existing services and utilities; construction of foul and surface water drainage systems, including SUDS; creation of noise mitigation bund and fencing creation of public open space, leisure, sport and recreation facilities including equipped play areas; ecological mitigation works; construction of a building for community/sport use and associated car parking; construction of internal estate roads private drives and other highways infrastructure and construction of pedestrian footpaths.

Holton Parish Council recommend **Refusal** of this Planning Application for the following reasons:

Copy of letter from Holton Parish Council attached to these minutes.

2. To confirm the Minutes of the Meetings of the Council held on **Monday 8th January 2018 which had been circulated to all councillors before the meeting**

Proposed by Robert Barter

Seconded by Roger Farrow

All agreed

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

Website – Allan East will be making some changes to the website.

Farmers' letters – To be sent.

Fly-tipping - fencing and paint pots dumped at the Holton Turn, Biffa working for SODC, efficiently responded to the request from the PC and removed the waste.

4. Traffic Road and Highway Matters

Village maintenance issues to report - Awaiting verge improvements by Holton

Cottage and removal of vegetation by kerbing on Waterperry Road and bridge over

the A40. Kirsten Johnson to report issues regarding the growth of vegetation by the roadside kerbing on the Waterperry Road and A40 Flyover.

Speed survey has been completed and the results show that at most of the locations average speeds are a little above the recommended 24 mph for a sign only 20 mph speed limit. As the degree of excess is for the most part modest, one option might be to consider adjusting the start of the 20 mph - particularly at the south eastern end of the road – and to consider the use of supporting measures such as the use of carriageway roundels.

A village site meeting to be arranged with Anthony Kirkwood OCC Traffic and Road Safety Team.

a. Accounts submitted for Payment

Clerk's Salary February	361.25
Clive Laman Village Maintenance January	120.00
OCC 4 Traffic Surveys	480.00
VAT paid to Holton PC in error £ 355.75 & £363.97	719.72
HD Projector – Grant Funded	900.32

b. Bank balances after paying above:

Deposit	£6,611.71
Current	£1,005.58

c. Tenders for Village Green/Bus Shelter area mowing and general village maintenance.

Tenders for the above are now required for the two years 2018 and 2019 and a request for tenders has been advertised on the Notice Boards – the closing date to be the end of February 2018.

It was proposed by Robert Barter and seconded by Roger Farrow that the Clerk's Report be accepted and the Accounts paid. **All Agreed**

6. District/County Councillors

Both District and County Councillors dealt with their business early in the meeting.

7. Neighbourhood Plan.

Written report from John Fox Chairman WNP Committee - circulated

8. South Oxfordshire Local Plan - no report..

9. Oxford Brookes – The Planning Application for the Campus Site discussed under Planning.

11. Planning Decisions (South Oxfordshire District Council - None

12. Reports

Holton Village Hall Management Meeting February report.

Village Summer Party Saturday 11th August with appearance of Robert Walker's Steam Engine.

NAG Meeting – Report circulated

Tractor drivers problems in other villages, SID machine still available

13. Publications/Letters and forthcoming events

Brookes Residents' meeting 12th March.

14. Items for discussion and/or referral to a future meeting

Data Protection. Carry out a data protection audit and have an appropriate data protection policy. Appoint a data protection officer.

Set date in May for the Annual Parish Meeting.

15. Date of next meeting. The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 12th March 2018 starting at 7.30 pm in Holton Village Hall Committee Room. There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.30 pm.