

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE PARISH COUNCIL OF OGBOURNE ST GEORGE
HELD ON THURSDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2010 IN THE VILLAGE HALL
AT 7.30PM

Those Present: Mr M Grove (Chairman)
Mrs C Manos

Mrs C Mudge
Mr K Macdonald
Mr P Rouse
Mr K Wallace
Mr P Willis
Mr C Freeman (Clerk)
Mrs J Milton (Wiltshire)

Apologies were received from: PC Sarah Watts

10 residents were present

Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising: **Defibrillator** – The Clerk had distributed details of the response times as supplied by Wiltshire Ambulance Service through a resident, Mr Colin Stribling. They were: Category A calls 8 minutes 21 seconds, Category A, B & C calls 9 minutes 43 seconds. It had also been advised that there were other schemes to provide a defibrillator and Cllr Wallace agreed to explore these schemes and report at a future meeting.
Village Hall Playground Tree – The Clerk had arranged for the tree surgery to be undertaken and had renegotiated the cost down to £150.
Bell Field – Cllr Willis reported that he would have dialogue in due course regarding the school's requirements at the Bell Field.

Finance: A current statement of the financial position of the Parish Council was distributed by the Clerk.

The following payments were approved:

Mazars – Audit	£141.00
J&J Tree Maintenance	£150.00
Bawden village moving	£561.30
SEC lighting maintenance	£66.43
Printing of Dragon – 1 month	£12.00
Clerk's Salary	£258.47

Reserves: Considering the current financial climate it was agreed to defer consideration of the Parish Council's reserves until the Precept consideration meeting in January at the earliest, retaining the status quo for the time being.

Financial Supplement to Standing Orders: It was agreed to accept the Clerk's suggested addition to the Standing Orders with the proviso that the section 9.5 be amended from '...any works in excess of 50% of the current Precept' to '...expenditure in excess of £1000'

Planning: Mill House Fence – No Objection – Refused
Old Park Stables Garage – No Objection – Granted
The sizable forthcoming development at Park Farm would be subject of a meeting that the land owner would call. The Clerk would try to assist with arrangements.

Parish Plan: Mr Kevin Howard, Chairman of the Parish Plan committee, had prepared a report and budget plan for consideration by the Council. Two new volunteers, Lizzie Hawnt and Wendy Reardon-Smith had joined the group. It was agreed to authorise the spending of not more than £190 as outlined for activities up to and including a public meeting on November 18th. It was reported that the editor of the Dragon , who had printed the September edition, was not charging extra for the print of the Parish Plan insert for which she was thanked.

SpeedWatch: The Clerk volunteered to co-ordinate the Speedwatch volunteers. It was agreed to publicise the programme and the requirement for volunteers in the Dragon. Cllrs Manos and Rouse volunteered and Tony Hawnt also indicated his willingness to participate.

Dropped Kerb: Cllr Manos suggested that a dropped kerb be installed at the bottom of the path adjacent to the A346 bridge. It was agreed that this would be an improvement and the Clerk would contact Richard Rogers at the Area Board who had funds to undertake such work.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.17. The next meeting would be on November 11th.

Signed as a true record:.....
Martin Grove – Chairman – 11th November 2010