

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE WOODSTOCK TOWN COUNCIL
HELD AT 7.30 PM ON TUESDAY 14TH APRIL 2015
IN THE TOWN HALL, WOODSTOCK**

PRESENT:

Cllr J Cooper (Mayor)
Cllr B Yoxall
Cllr S Parnes
Cllr Mrs E Jay
Cllr L Maybury

Cllr M Robertson (Deputy Mayor)
Cllr Mrs E Stokes
Cllr E Poskitt
Cllr P Jay

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Six members of the public and Superintendent Kath Lowe of Thames Valley Police (TVP).

WTC/275/14 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs C Carritt, S Rasch and T Wray and also from County Cllr I Hudspeth.

WTC/276/14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Cllr E Poskitt declared a pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 12 (ii) (c) Briefing Note about Talks with Pye/Blenheim re Woodstock East Planning Application as she lives at Hedge End.

The following Cllrs declared general interests:

Cllr E Poskitt: Agenda item 11, Planning as Member of WODC who sits on the Uplands Planning sub-committee.

Cllr J Cooper: Agenda item 11, Planning as a WODC Planning Committee Member.

WTC/277/14 MINUTES: The minutes of the Town Council meeting that took place on Tuesday 10th March 2015 were received and considered.

RESOLVED that these minutes were a correct record subject to the following text being inserted at the very beginning of the resolution recorded at minute WTC/264/14:

1. Whilst recognising the constraints on funding caused by Central Government policy, Woodstock Town Council deplores the slow progress being made by Oxfordshire County Council in tackling the long-standing and ever-increasing congestion problems on the A40, not least because of the strong repercussive effects on the A4095 and A44. The latter suffers from the lack of a priority bus lane between Yarnton and Pear Tree and, until this shortcoming is addressed, the A44 will continue to present problems for Woodstock residents travelling to/from Oxford.
2. The scenario referred to above is likely to be exacerbated by the advent of the new Oxford Parkway rail station in September 2015 and improvements in the frequency of the bus service between Woodstock and Water Eaton must be seen as part of the solution. The County Council is urged therefore to investigate this option as soon as possible.
3. The rail station at Hanborough also attracts road journeys contributing to the congestion problems on the A4095 and this situation could be alleviated too by improvement in the frequency of the bus service between Woodstock and Witney/Burford.

The minutes of 10th March 2015 were then signed by the Mayor.

WTC/278/14 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION WITH RESPECT TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA Two people spoke during the public participation session:

- (i) Mrs T Redpath expressed her disappointment about the way in which she felt the motion from Cllr P Jay was dealt with at the Annual Town Meeting in March.
- (ii) Mr M Price referred the Council to the response that he has sent to Cherwell District Council (CDC) about planning application 15/00394/F – Temporary Haul Road on Land Adjacent to Shipton Road Shipton on Cherwell.

The Council agreed that it would take planning application 15/00394/F after the presentation by Superintendent Lowe.

WTC/279/14 ADDRESS BY SUPERINTENDENT KATH LOWE, THAMES VALLEY POLICE (TVP)

Superintendent Kath Lowe addressed the Council to update them on police matters in Woodstock. Superintendent Lowe had addressed the Council last year when she was Deputy Superintendent. She has now succeeded Colin Payne and the Council congratulated upon her promotion. Superintendent Lowe spoke about the area crime figures and noted that Woodstock was a very safe place in which to live. One key area where crime has increased is cyber crime which is recorded centrally. Also, the figures due for release later in the week will show an increase in the number of rape cases being reported. It was suggested that this may be partly as a result of recent successful high profile prosecutions that have encouraged more people to come forward and report such crimes.

The deal about the Woodstock Police Station is on-going and the police are likely to be on site for a further 4-6 months until the offices close. They will then move into a porta cabin on site and use the library as the base for their public interface. A Cllr expressed disappointment concerning the way that the public had been kept informed of progress about this matter. Superintendent Lowe advised that the communications with the public had been managed by the police Estates team and said that she would feed the comments back to them.

In response to a Cllr's concerns about the level of policing in Woodstock, Superintendent Lowe noted that it was just the size of the building that would be smaller and that the size of the police team servicing Woodstock will remain the same. Night calls are already dealt with from Witney and will continue to do so. She said that the Police Commissioner has done due process on the sale of the Police Station site and is happy that it has been done correctly.

The Mayor thanked Superintendent Lowe for attending the meeting and Superintendent Lowe then left.

WTC/280/14 PLANNING APPLICATION 15/00394/F:

Temporary Haul Road on Land Adjacent to Shipton Road, Shipton on Cherwell:
Temporary haul road for 2 years. This is a CDC planning application. Discussion followed during which Mr Price was asked to comment because he has resided in this area of Woodstock for many years and therefore aware of the history and usage of the land in question.

Cllr P Jay proposed, Cllr B Yoxall seconded the motion and the Council

RESOLVED (unanimous) that:

1. Woodstock Town Council strongly objects to this planning application as the cost will be astronomical, the immediate environmental impact will be severe, the breach of the bridleway will deprive walkers of a treasured amenity and there is an

unquantifiable risk that the temporary road will become permanent, thus causing further visual and environmental damage.

2. If, notwithstanding this Woodstock Town Council recommendation, Cherwell District Council gives consent, we recommend them to take full account of the content of the letter from Mr M S H Price to the Head of Protection and Development Management dated 13th April 2015 about the routing of the road.

3. This matter should be considered by the full planning sub-committee and not delegated to a planning officer as it is too important.

WTC/281/15 COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS UPDATES

(i) Report from County Councillor Ian Hudspeth

There was no report from County Cllr Ian Hudspeth this month.

(ii) Report from District Councillors J Cooper and E Poskitt: The report from District Cllrs J Cooper and E Poskitt was noted. District Cllr J Cooper confirmed that the Youth Club had submitted a Communities Facilities Grant application to WODC which will be considered at a meeting early in the next WODC council year. He also agreed to take a comment from Cllr Yoxall about the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) forward.

WTC/282/14 COMMUNICATIONS: The Mayor:

- (i) Thanked Jane Dalton (formally Jane Hine) from Hill Rise for kindly donating a lovely photograph album to WTC that records, amongst other things, the visit to Woodstock by the Queen.
- (ii) Noted that this would be his last meeting as Mayor of Woodstock and thanked Cllrs, the Deputy Mayor and the Town Clerk for their support during his term of office.

WTC/283/14 QUESTIONS

The following question was received under Standing Order No 8 from Cllr S Parnes:

Does the Mayor consider the time is right for WTC to let members of the public know Blenheim's intended development of the Police Station site extends to as many as 26 dwellings, as that is confirmed as being on public record, and why has this not been formally disclosed by WTC until now?

The Mayor said yes to the first part of the question and referred Cllr S Parnes to the next edition of Woodstock and Bladon News. He said that no planning application had yet been received and therefore it was not fruitful to speculate.

WTC/284/14 MOTIONS PRESENTED TO COUNCIL:

A motion submitted by Cllr S Parnes in accordance with WTC Standing Orders was considered by the Council. It was not seconded and so fell.

WTC/285/14 POLICE STATION SITE

The Council received and considered a report from Cllr B Yoxall about the way that the communications about the Police Station site had been managed.

Cllr B Yoxall proposed, Cllr Mrs E Stokes seconded the motion and the Council

RESOLVED (5 Votes for, 3 votes against and 1 abstention) that a meeting be arranged about the Police Station site between members of the Police Station Working Group, the Doctors Surgery, Blenheim Estates and TVP.

ACTION: *The Town Clerk will endeavour to arrange a meeting.*

WTC/286/14 PLANNING

(i) Planning Applications:

Cllrs J Cooper and E Poskitt declared a general interest.

The Council received and considered the following planning applications:

- a) Ref: 15/00815/HHD - 15 Hensington Close, Woodstock: Demolition of existing rear extension. Erection of two storey and single storey rear extension. Single storey side extension.

RESOLVED that WTC wishes to make no comment.

- b) Ref: 15/00849/HHD – 3 Park Side, Woodstock: Two storey side extension.

RESOLVED that WTC wishes to make no comment.

- c) Ref: 15/01106/HHD – 14 Hill Rise, Woodstock: Erection of two storey and single storey extension. Construction of detached garden room.

RESOLVED that WTC wishes to make no comment.

(ii) Naming of streets off Randolph Avenue, Woodstock

The Council received and considered an email dated 18th March 2015 from the Address Management Officer at WODC asking for Council input into the naming of one new street name and one new 'walk' name as the second phase to the development addressed as Randolph Avenue off Shipton Road.

Cllr E Poskitt proposed, the Deputy Mayor seconded the motion and the Council

RESOLVED (7 votes for and 2 votes against) that the Council considered the following names to be considered acceptable: Owl View, Orchard Walk, Blackberry Walk, Field Road, Old Railway Road or Dog Walk Road.

Cllr S Parnes asked for a named vote the result of which was:

For: Cllrs E Poskitt, M Robertson, J Cooper, L Maybury, Mrs E Jay, Mrs E Stokes and B Yoxall (7)

Against: Cllrs S Parnes and P Jay (2).

ACTION: *The Town Clerk will send the WTC response to WODC.*

(iii) Draft WODC Local Plan/Community Infrastructure (CIL) Consultation.

The Council:

- a) Received and noted a summary report from Kemp and Kemp.

- b) Received and considered two motions previously circulated by Cllr B Yoxall. Discussion followed and the official Woodstock Town Council response was agreed.

(i) The Draft Local Plan

Dr Poskitt left the meeting whilst this item was discussed. Cllr B Yoxall proposed, Cllr P Jay seconded the motion and the Council

RESOLVED (unanimous) that Woodstock Town Council supports the general strategy to locate main housing development and infrastructure at the three towns of Witney, Carterton and Chipping Norton. Furthermore, Woodstock Town Council also supports:

- a) Policy E6 for the protection it gives to the present role of Woodstock town centre
- b) Policy EW1 for the protection it gives to the World Heritage site and its setting
- c) Policy EW2 which is,
 - firstly, complementary to Policy EW1
 - secondly, supportive of our efforts to reduce the impact of through traffic including HGV movements through Woodstock
 - thirdly, also supportive of our efforts to retain local services and community facilities , including consideration of a new G.P. surgery for Woodstock on the site of the police station in Hensington Road.
 - fourthly, also supportive of our efforts to ensure Woodstock Town Centre remains vibrant through resisting the loss of shops and other town centre uses, and promoting an increase in the availability and efficient use of car parking provision as appropriate.

Woodstock Town Council is opposed to any development of the site at Woodstock East now and at any time in the future for the reasoning set out in our letter to Cherwell District Council of 18.2.15 and would particularly draw attention to the Government Inspector's comments there at the bottom of page 2.

However, the Town Council recognises that this stance needs to be accompanied by a constructive approach to future development of the town which should be along the following lines:

- a) In order not to dilute the intrinsic special character of the town any future housing development should be on brownfield not green field sites.
- b) Development should only happen where appropriate infrastructure exists.
- c) The key to resolving some of the main development issues facing the town lies in unlocking the potential of the crucial brownfield sites, requiring dialogue over a wide front.
- d) The change towards a tourist based economy is recognised and should be fostered by joint marketing arrangements with Blenheim.
- e) The Town Council should use its potential for influencing future expansion of the Post Office towards encouraging tourism.

ACTION: *The Town Clerk will submit the official WTC response to the Local Plan.*

(ii) The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

Cllr E Poskitt rejoined the meeting at this point. Discussion followed. Cllrs B Yoxall proposed the following motion that:

The main part of The WODC Infrastructure Funding Gap Analysis Paper concludes that "Although the amount of CIL revenue is likely to be well short of the aggregate funding gap, it is clear that the introduction of CIL at West Oxfordshire would make a significant contribution and is fully justified".

In view of the very large element of "unknown" infrastructure funding evident in the CIL Consultation documentation, it seems to Woodstock Town Council more accurate to say that the contribution of CIL towards overall desired infrastructure funding will only ever be relatively modest and that other sources of funding will be more significant and necessary to fill the "infrastructure funding gap". It is therefore vital that urgent action is taken to identify alternative

sources of infrastructure funding to complement the introduction of CIL if optimal levels of infrastructure in West Oxfordshire are to be achieved.

Cllr E Poskitt seconded the motion but asked that it be amended to add the following text at the end:

Woodstock Town Council is also very concerned at the implications of Policy EW1 in Appendix 3 of the Local Plan Delivery and Monitoring Framework which discusses CIL uses. Policy EW1 is referring to the Blenheim World Heritage Site (WHS) and, under 'Indicators', is the comment: *CIL/S106 contributions secured/located for conserving attributes of the WHS.*

Most of the land around Blenheim but outside the WHS itself belongs to Blenheim. The intention to give CIL funding to the WHS is only likely to arise from developments in the area around the WHS. In such circumstances CIL funds going to the WHS will almost certainly be with funds generated by development on land sold by Blenheim. Thus Blenheim gets a bonus with CIL funds whilst the local community infrastructure is deprived of this CIL whilst, in all likelihood, grossly strained by the effects of the development and thus in need of all the CIL money that can come its way. This seems wrong. We are regularly told Blenheim is selling land for development to raise money to put in a fund for maintaining the WHS. That is fine but why should the WHS be further rewarded for such sales with CIL funds – and at the expense of the local communities damaged by the development?

Cllr B Yoxall agreed to this amendment and the Council

RESOLVED (unanimous) that the official WTC response to the CIL consultation is that:

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ACTION: *The Town Clerk will submit the official WTC response to the CIL Plan.*

Cllrs B Yoxall and E Poskitt were thanked for their work on the draft consultation responses.

(iv) Disputed Revocation of Consultation Notification

The Council considered email correspondence between the Mayor and the Chief Executive of WODC and an oral report by Cllr Parnes about WODC's withdrawal of its opportunity for WTC to consult on an application for Discharge of Conditions relating to land North East of Marlborough School, Shipton Road, Woodstock. The planning application was sent to WTC by mistake and WODC has apologised for this error.

Cllr P Jay proposed that the Council should write, over the Mayor's signature in reply to the letter reported today from the Chief Executive saying that this reply is totally unacceptable. This Council was officially asked for its opinion on the application to discharge the conditions, that item was placed upon its official agenda in the public domain, it was discussed and debated in good faith at the Council meeting, a decision was made to require the specified details of the conditions to be discharged and to require an extension of time pending the delivery of those conditions. This remains the position of the WTC and the Council expects the District Council to deliver what it has asked for.

Cllr S Parnes seconded the motion. Cllr S Parnes called for a named vote the results of which were as follows:

For: Cllrs P Jay, S Parnes and B Yoxall (3)
Against: Cllrs E Poskitt, L Maybury, Mrs E Jay, Mrs E Stokes, M Robertson and J Cooper (6)

The motion fell.

(v) Application for a new 'Haul Road' off Shipton Road

This matter had been discussed earlier in the meeting and so the Council agreed to move on to the next item on the agenda.

WTC/287/14 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

- (i) The draft minutes of the Annual Town Council meeting that was held on 17th March 2015 were received and considered. It was noted that several small spelling or grammatical corrections are required and so these will be actioned by the Town Clerk.

- (ii) Matters arising from the Annual Town Meeting:
- a) Follow-up actions arising from the motion passed at the meeting
Cllr P Jay proposed, Cllr B Yoxall seconded the motion and the Council

RESOLVED (8 votes for and 1 vote against) that the Council:-

a. Notes the Town Meeting motion that “this meeting supports the campaign by the Town Council against the threatened development in east Woodstock and calls upon the developers to enter into meaningful, open and transparent talks [amended to ‘open discussions’] with the community and the town council about the future of our much loved town”;

b. Notes Blenheim’s response noting “the outcome of your successful motion at the recent Town Meeting and ...that now the town is happy to enter into a dialogue ...[we are]... are pleased that we can now open the debate on the future of Woodstock.... would welcome your thoughts on how best the move things forward. Clearly it would be good to meet as soon as possible ...”.

c. Authorizes members of the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group to meet Blenheim representatives as convenient and to report back fully to the council at the earliest opportunity.

b) Residents objections to proposals to change the current parking arrangements. It was noted that Cllr C Carritt has written a report that has been brought forward to the May Town Council meeting. This matter will also be discussed at the Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC) on Wednesday 6th May 2015. The meeting is open to members of the public and can include public participation.

c) Briefing note from Cllr B Yoxall about talks with Pye/Blenheim re Woodstock East Planning Application (previously circulated by email) and to appoint a dialogue team. This matter had been discussed earlier in the meeting and so the Council agreed to move on to the next agenda item.

WTC/288/14 REPORT OF THE RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL OFFICER – APRIL 2015

The Council received and considered the report of the Responsible Financial Officer.

- (i) The List of Payments for March:

RESOLVED that the list of payments totalling £36,913.80 made in the month of March 2015 is approved.

- (ii) Bank Reconciliation Statements for March 2015: Noted.

- (iii) Summary and Detailed Income & Expenditure Statements for March 2015: Noted.

- (iv) Internal Controls: The Council noted that the following internal controls have been undertaken since the last Town Council meeting: Payment Controls & Bank Reconciliation. These were considered satisfactory.

- (v) Disposition of Funds as at 31st March 2015: Noted.

WTC/289/14 PROPOSAL TO RE-INTRODUCE COWS AT THE WATER MEADOWS

A report from Cllr Mrs E Jay was received and considered. Cllr Mrs E Jay was thanked for the extensive research work that she had undertaken. Discussion followed during which it was noted that although many Cllrs supported the idea, a risk assessment was required and the following matters needed to be confirmed: insurance, liability, DEFRA requirements concerning animal welfare and reporting, the power under which the Council can own livestock, the arrangements and cost for the over wintering field shelter and feeding, who would be responsible for checking the cows daily in the summer and winter, who would move the animals between sites, the veterinary checks required and the cost of the proposal. Cllr Mrs E Jay proposed and Cllr P Jay seconded a motion that:

1. WTC accepts in principle the kind offer by the Colliers of Tackley of 3 Dexter cows, in order to graze the Watermeadows (in accordance with the recommendations in the Management Plan.)
2. It authorises the Clerk to register them with DEFRA, ensure the fencing is secure, set up a rota of local people to keep a daily eye on them, and do the administration necessary to get winter pasture and TB checks.
3. It agrees to expenses of up to £500 in the first year, bearing in mind that it is saving at least that much.

Cllr E Poskitt asked for an amendment to add the following words to the end of part (1) of the motion that “provided that all the concerns about care and responsibility of these animals raised at this meeting, and public liability, are satisfactorily answered.” The proposer and seconder of the motion both accepted this amendment and WTC

RESOLVED (unanimous) that

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3. It agrees to expenses of up to £500 in the first year, bearing in mind that it is saving at least that much.

WTC/290/14 WOODSTOCK FARMERS' MARKET

A request was considered from the Thames Valley Farmers' Market Co-operative Ltd for twice monthly Farmers Markets in Woodstock. This email has been forwarded to Wake Up to Woodstock and it is currently canvassing the views of its Members.

ACTION: *The Clerk will ask the Wake Up To Woodstock Chairman for an update about how this matter is progressing.*

WTC/291/14 MAYOR'S COMMITTEE

The minutes of the Mayor's Committee meeting that took place on Tuesday 24th March 2015 were received and noted.

WTC/292/14 PARLIAMENT IN THE MAKING

The Council received and considered a letter from Sir Peter Luff MP, Commons Chair for the Speakers' Advisory Group for the 2015 Anniversaries about forthcoming events, cultural activities and educational projects planned for this year

as part of the UK-wide 'Parliament in the Making' programme. Cllrs considered this to be a good idea. It was noted that:

1. The Friends of the Museum considered that WTC should take the lead
2. It might be good to mesh it in some way with other activities on Sunday 14th June
3. Some Cllrs offered to provide cakes if the Mayor's Parlour were to be opened up to the public.
4. It was suggested that the hotels/pubs might be asked to see if they might be able to contribute something

ACTION: *Cllr E Poskitt and the Deputy Mayor will confirm what is involved and report back.*

WTC/293/14 WALL HANGINGS TRUST: The minutes of the meeting of the Wall Hangings Trust that was held on 18th March 2015 were received and considered. It was noted that resignations had been received from Honorary Townsman Colonel Nigel Clifford and Mr Brian Parkinson. A small number of permanent members will remain involved with the Trust and meet as required.

ACTION *The Mayor will write to Honorary Townsman Colonel Nigel Clifford and Mr Brian Parkinson to thank them for their work with the Wall Hangings Trust.*

WTC/294/14 MAIL COLLECTIONS: DETERIORATION OF SERVICE

A paper and motion about the changes in collection information displayed on the Hensington Road/Green Lane letter box was received and considered from Cllr P Jay. Cllr P Jay proposed that the Mayor be asked to write to the Royal Mail, drawing attention to this recent change, objecting to the absence of any consultation before the change, explaining why its adverse consequences for service in this area are unacceptable and calling upon Royal Mail to restore a proper daily afternoon collection. Cllr B Yoxall seconded the motion. Discussion followed and a vote was then taken. The vote was 4 votes for and 4 votes against. The Mayor used his casting vote to maintain the status quo and so the motion fell.

WTC/295/14 PROPERTY MATTERS

The following property matters were received and considered:

- (i) Proposals for the garden at the rear of the Community Centre: A budget of £1k is available to install a small garden area in the area where there used to be a garage behind the Community Centre. Companies will be invited to submit proposals explaining what they could provide within this budget.

ACTION: *The Town Clerk will invite companies to submit proposals for a small garden behind the Community Centre within a budget of £1k.*

- (ii) Quotation for a sound system for the Mayor's Parlour: Cllrs received and considered a quote for the installation of a sound system in the Mayor's Parlour for use to amplify meetings.

RESOLVED:

1. The preferred option received to date is for an induction loop system, recording facility for meetings, two speakers to allow music playback, via headphone socket on ipad/ipod phone or mp3.
2. Further quotes will be sought.
3. The Town Clerk will ask the lowest price provider if they can set up the system for trial at a meeting.

ACTION: The Town Clerk will invite additional companies to submit proposals for installing a sound system in the Mayor's Parlour.

- (iii) The provision of public Wi-Fi at the Town Hall and Community Centre: The Council received and considered a paper from the Town Clerk. Public WiFi is now available for users of the Assembly Room at the Town Hall. This was achieved at no cost with the assistance of Triumph Technology, WTC's IT providers. The cost of installing public WiFi at the Community Centre was discussed. One quote has been received and was considered.

ACTION: The CMfP will undertake further research into the annual costs associated with installing free WiFi at the Community Centre.

- (iv) Monthly Report from the Council Member for Property: The monthly report from the CMfP was received and considered. The following matters were noted:

1. Town Hall: One of the top steps and a slab inside the front door at the Town Hall has worn over time resulting in a significant gap under the Town Hall door. This currently allows draughts and rain water to enter the building. A specialist local stone mason has assessed the situation and submitted a proposal and quotation to rectify the problem.

RESOLVED that the proposal and quotation from Joslins stone masons is approved at a cost of £767.00 plus VAT.

2. Community Centre: During the annual health and safety visit by Ellis Whittam it was noted that the ramp at the back of the Community Centre had crumbled away at the edge resulting in a risk to wheelchair and other users. The Town Clerk had arranged for this to be repaired using her delegated authority as this was a health and safety issue.

3. Town Stocks: The Town Stocks have been re-roofed.

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED that in view of the commercial nature of the business to be transacted the public and press be temporarily excluded from the meeting (Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s.1).

WTC/296/14 STAFF RECRUITMENT

The Council received a report about the recruitment of a new Finance Assistant from the Town Clerk. Three candidates had been interviewed for the post and one of these candidates has been offered the job.

The meeting closed at 9.45pm

Signed Date