

There will be a Meeting of the Strategy Committee in the Community Office at 8pm on Tuesday 22nd June 2010

Present:

Councillors:

David Tindale (Chairman)
Ian Hill
Barry Adby
Nick Greaves
Angie Paterson
Neil Boddington
Tony Williamson

Officer:

Kristina Tynan

Members of the Public:

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51/10 Apologies for absence

Roger Beattie, Ted Backhouse, David Shannon, Rhian Woods, Charles Rowton-Lee

52/10 Election of Vice-Chairman

Angie Paterson nominated Ian Hill and this was seconded by Barry Adby. There were no other nominations.

Resolved: That Ian Hill is unanimously elected as Vice-Chairman

53/10 Minutes of the Strategy Meeting held on 25th May 2010 received by Council 8/6/2010 to be signed as a correct record.

Resolved: That these minutes are a correct record and that they be signed by the Chairman.

54/10 Declaration of Interests

Bandstand in the Paddock – David Tindale declared a prejudicial interest in this item as 2 of the prominent members of the band are clients of his. He signed the 'Declaration of Interest' book and left the room for this item.

55/10 Matters Arising

Meeting with Peter Ronald at OCC – The Clerk is setting up a meeting to discuss the speeding results from Britwell Road and Christmas Common.

56/10 Short Discussion Items

Re-siting of the 5 a side football pitch at the Recreation Ground – RB/RW

Resolved: That this be deferred to the next meeting.

Watlington Band Proposal for a bandstand for Watlington – (letter was attached to Agenda) – Item chaired by Ian Hill

There was much discussion on this issue.

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL; That Watlington Parish Council would be prepared to consider and discuss a more detailed suggestion and proposals from the band and others with the idea of taking this forward. The community will be consulted at an appropriate time. To be an agenda item for the September Strategy Committee meeting.

Wycombe Local Development Framework – Any comments need to be sent back by 23rd July –(Information was attached to Agenda)

Resolved: That Angie Paterson look into this to see if there are any issues relevant to Watlington that we should comment on.

57/10 Main Topics for Discussion

20 mph Proposal for Watlington – referred from June Full Council Meeting.

Mr Campbell has submitted information on this issue which was attached to the agenda.

There is also more information on the website: www.20splentyforus.org.uk

There was discussion on this proposal. Comments made included:

- Extending it on Chapel Street/Love Lane so it would include in front of the schools.
- That most of the centre of Oxford is 20mph
- There would need to be a physical means to force cars to lower their speed.
- We would need to have comments from the Police and OCC
 - Would there be any repercussions regarding the Air Quality issue in Couching Street?
- Would there need to be an increased amount of signage in the Town?
- We would need to have speed information for the streets concerned.
- The main issue for NAG is always speeding.

Resolved: That we take this forward by having discussion with the relevant OCC Officer.

Housing Needs Survey Report – (Report was attached to Agenda)

David Tindale reported that he had found a number of discrepancies in the report. It was thought that a small working group should be set up to look into this issue. Angie Paterson raised the issue of general development which may be needed and could include an element of affordable housing too and suggested we keep an overall strategic view in mind in the context of this. New legislation is anticipated in the Autumn which may influence this.

Resolved: That we set up a small group to look at the Housing Needs in Watlington and that a meeting be set up with Anna Kennedy from ORCC. This to be the first meeting of the group.

Cuxham Field – Application letters for the rental of this site

Resolved: That this issue to be taken in Confidential Session at the end of the meeting.

58/10 Items for Future Meetings

Refer to Forward Plan – latest update given out at Full Council June Meeting.

Items for July:

Risk Assessment – Ian Hill to comment

NERC Act – Presentation by the Environment Group
Watlington Speaks
Insurance Review
Watlington in Bloom
Watlington Distinctiveness
5 a side football pitch in the Recreation Ground
Cuxham Field – in Confidential Session
Items for September
Ideas for a Bandstand for Paddock

59/10 Correspondence – All Correspondence is attached to the Agenda

1. Twinning Committee – asking for a meeting to discuss next years plan.- **Passed to Operations Committee**
2. Twinning Committee – Inviting Councillors to attend their Grand Summer BBQ on Tuesday 6th July at 7.30pm in the Memorial Club – Tickets £5 per head - **Noted**
3. Elizabeth Corbett – re litter in Watlington – **Response to be sent.**
4. SODC – Simon Hill – response to our email re Air Quality – **Noted.**

60/10 Any Other Business to note – Items to be notified to the Clerk in advance of the meeting.

Sports Pavilion - Review of Current Arrangements with the Sports Club – The arrangement with the Sports Club has now been in place for 5 years. This issue will be an agenda item for the Strategy Committee Meeting in September. The Pavilion Committee will be asked to prepare a paper which can be discussed at this meeting.

THERE BEING NO OTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.20PM AND WENT INTO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION TO DISCUSS THE RENTAL OF CUXHAM FIELD.

According to:

Confidential Items

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED: THAT under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public

be excluded from the meeting for items of business of the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 7,8 and 9 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Act.