



CASSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of The Cassington Parish Council Meeting at
7.30pm on Thursday 6th October 2022.

129/22	<u>ATTENDEES</u> Cllr Metcalf, Cllr Thompson, Cllr King, Cllr Goodwin & Clerk (Mrs T Cameron) & 5 member of the public.																				
130/22	<u>APOLOGIES</u> Cllr Levy, Cllr Rylett, Cllr Mills, Cllr Rogers																				
131/22	<u>ELECTION FOR CHAIR FOR SEPTEMBER</u> Cllr King																				
132/22	<u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u> The Parish Council has made the public aware that the meeting is recorded for the clerk to type up the minutes later at home. A new Declaration of Interest has been given to all Councillors																				
133/22	<u>MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL</u> The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 1 st September 2022 were approved.																				
134/22	<p><u>MATTERS ARISING</u></p> <p>Old Burial Ground – Quotes for the Yew Tree Removal – Cllr Thompson A40 – Balfour Beatty Community Incentive Scheme – Tracey to have a meeting with OCC and Balfour Beatty to find out if they are able to help in funding terms rather than the use their equipment and personal.</p> <p><u>PLANNING</u></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>APPLICATION NO:</th> <th>LOCATION:</th> <th>PROPOSAL:</th> <th>APPLICANT:</th> <th>DECISION:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>20/01734/OUT</td> <td>Land North of A40 Section from Barnard Gate To Eynsham Roundabout Eynsham</td> <td></td> <td>Grosvenor Developments Ltd</td> <td>UNDER CONSIDERATION</td> </tr> <tr> <td>R3.0034/21</td> <td>A40</td> <td>Dualling of a 3.2km section of the A40 between the Hill Farm Junction to the proposed Eynsham Park and Ride and upgrade to shared path on northern verge, ii) widening of existing carriageway to provide dedicated eastbound and westbound priority bus lanes along 6.5km section between proposed Park and Ride and Duke's Cut iii) capacity and connectively improvements over three bridges and a culvert at Dukes Cut to enable eastbound bus lane over the bridges at A40 between Witney and Duke's Cut</td> <td>Oxfordshire County Council</td> <td>AWAITING DECISION</td> </tr> <tr> <td>R3.0151/21</td> <td>A40</td> <td>The dualling of approximately 3.2km of the A40 carriageway from the existing Hill Farm junction at Witney to the Eynsham Park and Ride site (R3.0057/19) including the construction of two new roundabouts. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An eastbound and westbound bus lane approximately 6.5km in length from the Eynsham Park and Ride site to existing structures at Duke's Cut waterway (Duke's Cut Canal Bridge, Earl's Culvert, Wolvercote Railway Bridge and Wolvercote </td> <td>Oxfordshire County Council</td> <td>UNDER CONSIDERATION</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	APPLICATION NO:	LOCATION:	PROPOSAL:	APPLICANT:	DECISION:	20/01734/OUT	Land North of A40 Section from Barnard Gate To Eynsham Roundabout Eynsham		Grosvenor Developments Ltd	UNDER CONSIDERATION	R3.0034/21	A40	Dualling of a 3.2km section of the A40 between the Hill Farm Junction to the proposed Eynsham Park and Ride and upgrade to shared path on northern verge, ii) widening of existing carriageway to provide dedicated eastbound and westbound priority bus lanes along 6.5km section between proposed Park and Ride and Duke's Cut iii) capacity and connectively improvements over three bridges and a culvert at Dukes Cut to enable eastbound bus lane over the bridges at A40 between Witney and Duke's Cut	Oxfordshire County Council	AWAITING DECISION	R3.0151/21	A40	The dualling of approximately 3.2km of the A40 carriageway from the existing Hill Farm junction at Witney to the Eynsham Park and Ride site (R3.0057/19) including the construction of two new roundabouts. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An eastbound and westbound bus lane approximately 6.5km in length from the Eynsham Park and Ride site to existing structures at Duke's Cut waterway (Duke's Cut Canal Bridge, Earl's Culvert, Wolvercote Railway Bridge and Wolvercote 	Oxfordshire County Council	UNDER CONSIDERATION
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		<p>Canal Bridge);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity and connectivity improvements over the existing structures at Duke's Cut waterway to enable the proposed eastbound bus lane to extend over the existing structures up to the A34 flyover in the east, forming a connection into Oxford North (Northern Gateway) strategic development site; • Construction of a new signalised junction to the Eynsham Park and Ride site; • New pedestrian/cyclist underpass at Cuckoo Lane ('the Eynsham Underpass'). Two new pedestrian/cycle bridges at Cassington Halt (Cassington Halt Footbridge North and Cassington Halt Footbridge South); • Widening of Cassington New Bridge; • Demolition and replacement/extension of existing White House Culvert; • Demolition and replacement/extension of Barnard Gate New Culvert; • New and improved shared use ('HIF2 project') A40 corridor between Witney and Wolvercote, Oxfordshire footways and cycleways, including new shared use links to National Cycle Network (NCN) Route 5 at Duke's Cut waterway; • Alterations to existing junctions and property accesses along the A40; • Controlled crossings, external lighting, noise barriers, sustainable drainage systems, landscaping, habitat creation including ecology ponds and associated hibernacula; • All associated engineering and temporary construction works, site compound and storage areas. at A40 HIF2 Smart Corridor 		
22/02137/HHD	The Granary Jericho Farm Worton	Proposed basement extension, replace existing timber framed windows and doors with new double glazed metal framed windows and doors, change one of the south facing ground floor windows to a door set and raise adjoining windows. The west facing old diary wing elevation, to have timber cladding finish in-between French doors replaced with a natural Cotswold stone finish (previously approved (21/03845/HHD)	Mr And Mrs Ivanovic	Under Consideration

APPROVED APPLICATIONS

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New Planning Applications:

APPLICATION NO:	PROPOSAL:	LOCATION:	APPLICANT:	COMMENT DATE:
22/01937/FUL	Subdivision of existing dwelling to create two separate dwellings, works to include erection of single storey rear extensions to both and associated works along with the construction of an outbuilding.	11 Elms Road Cassington Witney	Ms Victoria Tsoy	11th October 2022
R3.0115/22	Details Pursuant for Oxfordshire County Council County Hall, New Road, OX1 1ND for: Details pursuant to Condition 34 (Protected Species Surveys) of planning permission 19/01725/CC3REG & 19/01095/ADJ (R3.0057/19)	Land West of Cuckoo Lane and Adjacent to the A40, Eynsham, OX29 4PU	OCC	

135/22	<p><u>CORRESPONDENCE:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removal of the dog waste bin by Williams Court – Tracey has emailed Ubico to find out where the bin has gone and to see if it can be put back. • St Peters Close signage – Tracey to report it to highways • Little Lane – Tracey to report again on Fix my street and forward to Cllr Levy • Christmas Tree – Cllr Thompson will speak to Blenheim
136/22	<p><u>REPORTS FROM COUNTY, DISTRICT & PARISH COUNCILLORS:</u></p> <p><u>County Councillor</u></p> <p>I am writing in early October, after a historic period in which, among other things, council meetings have been rescheduled.</p> <p>Consultations There are a number of County Council consultations under way, which have had their final dates extended. These include the latest consultations on the A40 plans following further work on the environmental aspect of the schemes. Also under review are the County Council's plans for central Oxfordshire, which covers the city center and neighboring places, including Eynsham Division (including Cassington). Central to these plans are the use of bus gates to prevent through traffic in the city center. For the avoidance of doubt and to allay fears stoked up by some people, everywhere in the city will still be accessible by motor car. This means that Cassington residents who opt to drive rather than using public transport or the P&Rs or active travel will need to go into the city via either the A40 or Botley Road or Abingdon Road, depending on where they are looking to arrive. This is what most people do already. I think these plans will go a long way towards easing congestion, improving bus times and making it safer and quicker to cycle. The County Council wants to hear from residents and businesses who may be affected. As an aside, the WODC consultations on the Salt Cross AAP revisions and on the development of a new Council Plan and Local Plan are also current.</p> <p>Buses Stagecoach have introduced new routes. The S2 and S1 from Eynsham to the city and to Witney are pretty much unchanged, but the routes beyond Witney have been altered. For instance, the S2 now goes on to Cheltenham replacing the 853. Unfortunately, English local authorities outside London don't have the powers to direct or subsidise bus services. I will continue to try to support the services outside the main routes, including the newish service from Stanton Harcourt to Eynsham, Standlake and Hanborough, as far as I can.</p> <p>A40 cycle track Those who cycle into Oxford will be aware that the junction for the new Oxford North development just before Wolvercote is appalling for cyclists. It is going to be reworked to make it usable after interventions from me and from the county councillor for that area. It ought not to have been designed as it has been, nor should it have been approved, and it certainly shouldn't have been built as it has been.</p> <p>Cost of Living Crisis. Each of the councils in Oxfordshire is working hard to prepare for the upcoming winter, in which we expect the cost-of-living crisis to hit home. Both WODC and Oxfordshire have put aside substantial sums, £2m in the case of the county council, which will be distributed primarily through voluntary organisations. For instance, food banks are reporting increased demand and decreased contributions of food and money.</p> <p>Speed And finally, it is good to see the new 20 mph zone in Eynsham up and running, with the very smart new gates to the village. Can I urge people to stick to the new limits. These include new limits on the Eynsham ring road. Cassington's 20 proposals are due to be decided by the Cabinet Member with delegated power next week. As ever, you can contact me at dan.levy@oxfordshire.gov.uk</p> <p><u>District Councillors</u> The Eynsham food bank can cover Cassington. There are places being put in which are called warm places which people can go to. Salt Cross the main consultation the inspector has updated the plan. It was going to be 100% zero carbon – 2200 houses which will now be gas boilers – The Parish has will make a comment.</p> <p><u>Parish Councillors –</u></p> <p>It was brought up about the defib at the village Hall. A resident has asked if the code could be put on the outside. It was advised that the code is with SCAS and should it be needed then it would be given to the caller. Otherwise it could be damaged or misused and if it was needed wouldn't work.</p> <p><u>Village Hall Car Park</u></p> <p>The Parish Council would like to look at fitting bike racks and also in the future maybe charging points.</p>
137/22	<p><u>DITCHES DRAINAGE AND FLOODING:</u></p> <p>The ditch at St Peters Ditch has now been cleared and so has Horsemere Lane</p>
138/22	<p><u>MAINTENANCE/GRANTS:</u></p> <p>Please can people remember to things on fix my street on the WODC website.</p>
139/22	<p><u>TRAFFIC:</u></p> <p>Speed watch – September was a quiet month for Cassington Speed watch with fewer sessions than usual because of holidays and illness. Only 9 cars were caught speeding all in the last week of the month. Since we started, we have reported 422 speeding drivers. So that we can cover illness and holidays we need several more villagers to volunteer to work with us. The training is straightforward online and the more operatives we have the fewer sessions each person will need to cover.</p> <p>20mph – There will be a Highway Management meeting on Thursday 13th October to discuss the proposed 20mph scheme. If people wish to attend or make representation then they need to advise OCC by 9am Friday 7th October, and any written statement should be submitted</p>

by 9am Tuesday 11th October.

Email: committeesdemocraticservices@Oxfordshire.gov.uk

140/22 PLAY AREA/PLAY FIELD:

Proludic Maintenance Contract – Tracey has contacted Ben at Proludic and he is due to get back to her with a quote.

141/22 FINANCE

Payments to be approved:

Individual/Company	Reason	Amount
Tracey Cameron	Clerk Pay	£1030.41 S/O paid £768.15 Extra to be paid £262.26
	HMRC Tax & NI	£52.25
	Expenses	£22.18
Village Hall Hire	Parish Council Meeting	£32.00
HMRC	Tax & National Insurance	£250.82
Unity Bank	Service Charge	£18.00
Adrian Tyler	Churchyard & Play Area	£192.00
Adrian Tyler	Goodwill Gesture re banking issues	£84.12

Income:

Individual/Company	Reason	Amount
WODC	Precept	£11,459.50

Balance of Unity Bank as of Sunday 28th August 2022 - £16,136.39

142/22 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Parish Council Objectives – these were postponed to the November meeting when Cllr Rogers is back
- Discussion for 2023 precept increase – **Tracey to send out budget report**
- Unity Bank Charge Card – **Tracey to send out information about the card and to also complete the application form**

143/22 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Anne has apologised that CAWN hasn't been uploaded due to the issue with the latest edition. Tracey also apologised that she has been unable to upload CAWN – Tracey will liaise with Anne for her to have access to the website so that she can upload CAWN.

A resident asked who is responsible for the repair of the roads around Cassington they were advised that it was OCC.

144/22 DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS:

Mid Monthly Planning Meeting – **No Meeting Needed**

Date of the next Parish Council Meeting – **Thursday 3rd November 2022**

Parish Council Objectives 2022 – 2025

The purpose of this document is to provide a list of objectives for Cassington Parish Council to lead in implementation over the period 2022 – 2025. It is suggested that this initial list of priorities is discussed and refined prior to presentation to the village.

1. Completion of the Neighbourhood Plan and adoption by the Parish Council and village of Cassington. – This was approved at tonight's meeting.

2. To look at sustainable energy supplies for the village of Cassington that can be provided at matched or lower costs than conventional power supplies. Adoption of additional strategies to reduce use of hydrocarbon-based fuels and reduction of energy waste – Cllr Rogers has advised that he has been approached by some of the residents to form a committee to look into this. The Clerk advised that any meetings that they have to be public.

3. To address increasing problems of rising levels of traffic and speeding in the village of Cassington and roads within the Parish. – Cllr Rogers will create a questionnaire into CAWN for September – Tracey to put a note in CAWN with regards to this. – Alex has done the questionnaire and will send it over for the next edition.

4. To maintain a watching brief on flood prevention and drainage issues in Cassington and Worton villages.

5. To implement policies outlined in the Neighbourhood Plan and Green Infrastructure Plan with respect to nature conservation.

6. To work with St Peter's School to rectify the current funding and management issues with respect to the school swimming pool. To identify further priorities for fund raising for the school.

7. To develop a community food program through working with the allotment and other landowners around Cassington. This includes distribution of excess produce and the planting of a community orchard.

8. To work with West Oxfordshire District Council and local landowners to address sustainable transport for the village and to maintain and build upon the local network of footpaths and cycleways for both commuting and leisure, as outlined in the Green Infrastructure Plan and Neighbourhood Plan.

9. To examine provisions for young people and senior / vulnerable residents of Cassington. Can Cassington do more for these members of our village?

10. To look at what other measures can be taken to improve the quality of life of our villagers.

~~11. Current and future provisions of the Almshouse -~~

12. A more accessible village car park

~~13. Maybe moving the gate to playing fields and introducing a fence to the perimeter to allow the car park to be use 24 hours?~~

14. Community glass house - I've heard of other villages who have provided facilities to allow produce to be grown all year round.

15. Finally, introduction of green initiatives we've discussed in the past - EV charging points at the VH and pavilion, plus cycles racks etc.