

WEXHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 8th April 2025 at Harvey Memorial Hall George Green at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Mr Pearce, Chairman, Mrs Eade, Mr Gallagher, Mr Phipps, Mr Spring
Mrs Galvin, Clerk.

Also present:

Three members of the public

Cllr Thomas Hogg, Buckinghamshire Council

Ms Nicky Yiasoumi, recently confirmed as a Parish Council from 1st May 2025

6119 Apologies

Received from Mr Abe, Mrs Buhain, Mrs Slone and Mr Whitby.

6120 Declarations of interest

Mr Spring in respect of Brett, a family member

Mrs Galvin in respect of Brett, a family acquaintance

6121 Public Question Time

1. Sawyers Green Farm – concern voiced re dumped rubbish. Clerk to contact Buckinghamshire Council for an update re removal.
2. Trenches Lane- concern voiced in respect of trees that might ne effected if Bretts application goes ahead. This matter would be a matter for Buckinghamshire Council Highways Department to take into consideration.
3. It was reported that The Orchards, Bretts presentation/exhibition is planned for 23rd April.
4. Church Grove pavements/kerbs to be placed on Fix My Street.
5. The George public house site discussed re extension to restore the site.
6. Possible problems/ frequency with grass cutting in the Parish discussed.

6122 Buckinghamshire Council Councillors report

Given by Cllr Thomas Hogg

No report as such given but the following discussed:

1. Following 1st May election- three Councillors will be covering five parishes.
2. Marlian & Twin Trees properties discussed re Council action.
3. Recent receipt of an e-mail from Buckinghamshire Council planning department re Luigi Car Wash site discussed and a copy to be sent to Cllr. Hogg for investigation.
4. Community Board areas discussed and query re how the meetings would be organised. No information available.
5. Neighbourhood Plan update requested and supplied by Mr Phipps.
6. It was reported that adult/child social care takes up to 73% of all funds received by Buckinghamshire Council

6123 Mr Clive Lidstone MBE

It was reported that Mr Lidstone had recently died. He was a prominent landowner and resident of George Green and had served as a Parish Councillor in the past.

6124 Minutes of the Parish meeting 11th March 2025

Agreed and signed.

6125 Matters arising

1. Minute 6118 -website update- still being investigated. Councillors urged to look at Wexham Court Parish Council website.

6126 Accounts for payment

Agreed in the sum of £2,756.87

Due to lack of bank information, further information re balance carried forward for the coming financial year would be provided shortly by Clerk.

6127 Valuation of Assets

A couple of estimates of costs obtained and it was suggested that our insurers be contacted for a desktop valuation.

Clerk to investigate.

6128 Correspondence

See list

6129 Planning matters

1. Applications/ amendments received / actions pending

1. PL/25/0830/CONDA Rowley Farm Black Park Road Wexham

Approval of condition 2 (materials salvaged from the existing buildings) of planning permission PL/23/0367/HB- Listed Building Consent for dismantling and partial dismantling and reinstatement, by restoration and partial replacement, of agricultural buildings that are in an extremely poor & dangerous condition.

2. PL/25/0831/CONDA Rowley Farm Black Park Road Wexham

Approval of condition 2 (materials salvaged from the existing buildings) of planning permission PL/23/0366/FA- dismantling and partial dismantling and reinstatement, by restoration and partial replacement, of agricultural buildings that are in an extremely poor & dangerous condition.

2. Licence Application

1. PR 202504-363697 Four Seasons Café Black Park Country Park Black Park Road Wexham

New premises application.

Comments submitted:

Wexham Parish Council write to object to the above application,

By its nature Black Park Country Park is a family open space, for many years visitors have had the ability to purchase refreshments and ice creams from the Lakeside cafe and the cafe located near to the Go-Ape complex, neither of these facilities served alcohol, This is also the case in Langley Park and Denham Country Park where the cafes are also alcohol free.

The New Four Seasons Cafe application should not be approved, the building sits at the rear of the visitor car park, Buckinghamshire Council should not encourage drinking & driving under any circumstances.

The New Four Seasons Cafe is adjacent to the Go-Ape complex, the recent planning application for an Axe Throwing Range PL/24/2369/FA was challenged by our Parish Council on public safety grounds, at the planning meeting councillors asked Go-Ape about visitors and alcohol consumption using the activity, Go-Ape publish user guidance (attached) which refers to users and alcohol which Buckinghamshire accepted, however Wexham Parish Council would challenge that if approved this application would undermine that acceptability.

Buckinghamshire Council will be the overarching landlords of this application, if it is approved, whilst the monitoring proposals are laudable, we consider that they will be very difficult to enforce and monitor

Black Park Country Park is family space and Buckinghamshire should refuse this application to preserve that ethos

3. Notice of Appeal

1. APP/N0410/C/25/3361521 Council ref: ES/24/00350/OPHH

Hillbrow Cottage Wexham Street

6130 Neighbourhood Plan

The draft plan had been sent to all Councillors prior to the meeting for approval and comment. All Councillors present at the meeting agreed the draft plan. This will now be sent to Buckinghamshire Council for scrutiny.

6131 Any other business

1. VE Day- It was agreed a wreath would be purchased.
2. Social Library- Easter Saturday.
3. Cllr Whitby has moved out of the area and is stepping down from 30th April. This matter was discussed.

Meeting closed 9.15 pm.