

Bloxham Parish Council - Report for June 2022

Meetings and Parish Council matters

- A meeting was held at Jubilee Hall on Monday 6 June 2022. Agendas and minutes are available on the PC web site. <http://www.bloxhamparishcouncil.co.uk/>
- All Parish Council meetings are open to the public and are held on the first Monday of the month (unless it is a bank holiday, then it is the Monday of the following week).
- There are still six vacancies on the Parish Council. Anyone interested in joining should contact the Clerk, Theresa Goss, for more information.

Next Meetings

- The next meeting of the Parish Council is being held on Monday 4 July 2022 at 7.30pm at Jubilee Hall, Barley Close, Bloxham.
- The next Parish Council Drop-In and Chat session is being held on Saturday 11 June 2022 at 1pm to 2pm at Jubilee Hall in the small meeting room. The following session is being held on Saturday 9 July 2022, 1030am to 1130am at the Ex-Servicemen's Hall. Please come along and meet your Councillors if you are attending the Fun Day!

Planning

No objections have been made by the Parish Council in respect of the following applications:

- 22/01088/F 2A Strawberry Hill, Bloxham, Banbury
Single storey front porch extension and incorporation of garage to provide a utility room and study
- 22/01076/F Owens, Queen Street, Bloxham
Replacement outbuilding
- 22/01145/LB Little Bennetts, Rose Bank, Bloxham
Installation of secondary double glazing to 7 windows to improve thermal performance and reduce local noise.
- 22/01147/F & Brook Cottage, Little Bridge Road, Bloxham
22/01148/LB Rear single storey extension
- 22/01231/TCA Goggs Hill, Little Green, Bloxham
Tree works
- 22/01167/LB Seymour Cottage, Queens Street, Bloxham,
22/01166/F Single storey monopitch rear extension

Planning applications and the Parish Council's comments could be viewed at <https://www.cherwell.gov.uk/info/115/planning/443/see-or-comment-on-a-planning-application23as>

Environment/Highways

- **Residents are kindly requested not to leave wheelie bins at the front of their properties, if there was rear access. Bins should be put out and put away again on the day they were emptied. Bins should be stored within the curtilage of their properties and please could residents ensure that footpaths are not blocked by bins, at any time.**
- Oxfordshire County Council is providing Civil Parking Enforcement Officers in the Cherwell area and it is hoped that they will monitor Bloxham for illegal parking. For more information and to report illegally parked cars, please visit the OCC web site. <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/roads-and-transport/parking/illegal-parking>
- Potholes, overhanging trees or hedges and street lighting issues can be reported by

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residents at <https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/> When reporting on this site, photographs are useful.

- A base for the new bus shelter on the A361 has been laid and the new bus shelter has been ordered.
- The ongoing matter of the poor condition of the Miller Homes car park on Tadmarton Road will be taken forward by Councillors Adam Nell and Kieron Mallon when they meet with the Head Teacher of the Primary School.
- Residents are encouraged to comment on the Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan and more details are available on the County Council's web site. <https://letstalk.oxfordshire.gov.uk/banbury-lcwip-initial>
- There are no allotments in Bloxham, however there are some in Milton which can be rented. More information can be obtained by contacting Emily Littlejohn at Carter Jonas. emily.littlejohn@carterjonas.co.uk
- The survey regarding the proposed 20mph speed restrictions in the village had closed on 31 May 2022 and the results would now be analysed.
- The litter bin at the top of Stone Hill would be replaced with a larger model.

DOGS MUST BE KEPT ON A LEAD IN THE JUBILEE PARK PLAY AREA, AS PER THE SIGNAGE

Community

- Please visit <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/council/ukraine/support-ukraine> for details on the Homes for Ukraine Scheme.
- A request for a skate park was considered however, there was no suitable land or location in the village for a skate park and no funding was available for the purchase or ongoing maintenance. Therefore, the request could not be progressed.
- The PC had met with the PCC to discuss the burial ground at St Mary's Church to try and establish where future burials in the village could be located, once the church yard is full.
- EV charging points for the village are continuing to be investigated and possible locations are being identified.
- The bottle banks located in Bloxham Grove Road, have been removed at the request of the County Council whilst it installs a new cycleway. They have been temporarily placed in Ells Lane.
- The Parish Council was pleased to be able to support by way of a grant, seven Platinum Jubilee street parties in the village.

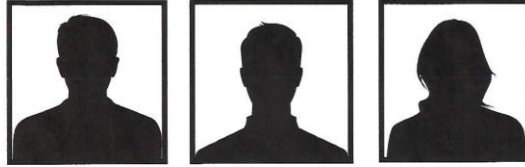
Communication

- Follow Bloxham Parish Council on Facebook.
- The Parish Council's 'Drop-In and Chat' sessions would reconvene for June, July and August 2022 and a review would be undertaken in September 2022. The next session was being held on 11 June 2022 at Jubilee Hall during the Fun Day.
- Contact the Clerk, Theresa Goss, on 01295 710965, **during normal office hours** or email bloxhamparishcouncil@gmail.com

Community Speedwatch Scheme

This Parish Council would like to address concerns residents have raised regarding speeding in the village by setting up a Community Speedwatch Scheme, in conjunction with Thames Valley Police. The Scheme will only be a success if it receives support from the village firstly, by residents being aware of their own speed when driving in and around the village and secondly by volunteering to help run, support and coordinate the Scheme. If any residents would be happy to give a couple of hours each month, please contact the Clerk to the Parish Council for more details.

WANTED



Do you care about Bloxham?

**Do you want to do something positive
for your community?**

Can you think, listen and act locally?

**There are a number of vacancies on Bloxham Parish
Council so why not...**

...consider becoming a Councillor?

To find out more please visit

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or email bloxhamparishcouncil@gmail.com