

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE OLD MARSTON PARISH COUNCIL

HELD IN THE CHURCH HALL AT 8.30p.m.

ON TUESDAY 2nd APRIL 1996

Members present were Mr A T Jones (Chairman)  
Mr C W Haynes (Vice-chairman)

Mesdames Cox, Deam, Nurse, Sanders and Stone  
Messrs Bartleet, Drinkwater and Phipps

An apology was received from Mr Devonport  
The Clerk Mr L M Garner was in attendance

Correspondence

The following were noted:

Oxford Fieldpaths society- Annual report

Oxford City Council- Members Information sheets

Oxfordshire Association of Local councils-Bi-monthly circular

A letter was received from the Environmental Health Officer saying that the attention of the Fire Service had been drawn to the possible paint store at 48, Oxford Road.

Notice board

It was decided to accept the quotation from G. Newsham to make a new notice board in the sum of £305.00.

Parish Council Liaison meeting

The Vice-chairman reported on his attendance at a meeting with the City Council representatives. The matters raised were the provision of traffic calming measures and it was agreed that a further meeting between City and Parish should be convened. He and Mr Devonport had circulated photos of the problems with granite setts and the City representatives agreed to have this matter discussed at the next City Highways meeting. The City Council were intent on providing a good response to letters and to dovetail its future consultations into the Parish Council's meeting schedules which were requested. The City Council would endeavour to produce a regular newsheet and to consider making a statement incorporating the rights and responsibilities of the Parish Councils. Mr Haynes thought the meeting had been well worth while and the Chairman thanked him for his attendance.

Planning

Applications

The following were considered

14 Harlow Way- Extension No comment

16 Horseman Close- Fence 1.8m high around the property boundary

There were strong objections to this proposal since it would create a near blind corner and would be visually unattractive.

Decisions

Permission had been granted for 33b Oxford Road (Extension)

Other matters

It was noted that the Oxford Transport strategy and its planning policy were at variance concerning the placement of a Park & Ride facility within the ring road. The Clerk was asked to write to the City Council concerning this.

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The proposed Marsh Lane Park & Ride site was on the agenda for a recent planning committee meeting and the Clerk was asked to obtain the outcome.

#### Allotment site

The Chairman reported that the sub-committee appointed to recommend a Planning Consultant to submit an outline Planning Application had interviewed Mr J Offen and Mr J Phillips and it's recommendation that Mr Phillips should be appointed was accepted by Council. Fees would be £750 plus planning application fees

The Clerk informed the Council that the one year notice to quit to which the allotment holders were entitled could not be issued between the 7th April and the 28th September in any one year. He considered it advisable to issue notices to quit immediately to safe-guard any possible development. This was agreed and he undertook to explain the reasons to the tenants.

#### Highways

Both schools had agreed to encourage parents to park considerately when collecting pupils from the schools. It was decided that continued pressure would be necessary if any improvement was to be secured. The water leak in Boults Lane should be drawn to the attention of the water authority.

Road name signs on Carters and Horseman Close estate signs required repainting and the condition of the footpath between 46 Oxford Road and Mortimer Drive required attention. The Clerk would draw these matters to the attention of the appropriate authorities.

#### Accounts

The Clerk received a grant application from the Village Hall Management Committee for assistance toward improvement works to the hall in accordance with the proposals submitted to the January meeting. Subject to checking it was resolved that the grant of £1500 should be made.

#### Recreation ground

It was reported that the litter bin on the Oxford Road recreation ground had been destroyed by fire. The Clerk was asked to arrange for it's replacement.

It was believed that football teams other than Marston Saints were using the football pitch and the Clerk was asked to enquire into the facts.

Quotations for external decorations to the Football Pavilion the cheapest being that from Mr P. Steedman in the sum of £440 which it was decided to accept. He also quoted £115 for painting iron railings at Oxford Road which was also accepted.

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Alvin T. Jones