

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Old Marston Parish Council
held at 7.30pm on Thursday 6 December 2005
at the Mortimer Hall**

Members Present

Mr. C.W. Haynes Chairman
Mrs. M.C. Stone Vice-chairman
Mrs. Cox
Messrs, Cann, Cox, McGinn and Swift
The Clerk Mr. L.M. Garner in attendance
City Councillor Mrs. C. vanZyl.

Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Mesdames Nurse and Tiwari, Messrs Bartleet, Batey and Holmes and City Councillor Mrs. M. Clarkson

Minutes

The minutes of the meetings held on 8 November 2005 were confirmed and signed
Mrs. Cox questioned the procedure for making corrections to the minutes. The Clerk said that the minutes circulated (previously considered by the Chairman and Vice-chairman) were drafts giving members an opportunity to draw the attention of the Chairman or Clerk to discrepancies immediately. Any corrections agreed would be incorporated in the Minute Book copy for ratification at the meeting where details of any amendments would be given. That avoided hasty manuscript alterations being made to the Minute Book. Copies of amended minutes available from the Clerk on request.

Pavilion

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Victor Brown, the architect, to the Meeting to discuss ideas and design features for the new building. The sketch provided by Marston Saints showed the possible use of about 300 sq. meters that was an acceptable size with a probable cost of about £300,000. He would produce sketches for appraisal and suggested a target date for a start of construction of 1 April 2008. He would be attending Thursday's meeting of the joint committee meeting with the Club to discuss the proposals with it.

Correspondence

The proposal from Wychwood Homes Ltd. to build a few houses on Council land to fund the new pavilion was deferred to the next meeting.
The annual report of the Chairman of OMMLAA was noted
Oxford City Council's request for precept to be received by 27 January 2006
The request for assistance from the Mortimer Hall Committee was noted

Northeast Area Committee

Mrs. Stone said that the County Council, in response to public rejection, had abandoned the scheme for major works to London Road Headington. A series of minor schemes was planned.
Thames Water representatives had attended to answer criticisms of various drainage problems but had said that many of the problems were the responsibility of others. They were unhelpful and defensive.

Planning

Applications

1 Cavendish Drive - development of garden to provide a 2-storey extension with the conversion of the existing house providing 4 2B/r flats with four parking spaces. Serious objections. The property is on the corner of a three-way junction with a triangular island with curved sides giving fast travel from one road to another. The access to the two parking spaces shown are only about 1.5 and 4.5 meters respectively from the

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commencement of the radius of the corners capable of being taken at fast speed into a road giving congested access to the primary school. The accesses are too dangerous to be permitted. The proposal is the loss of a three bedroom family home with the added loss of pupils at the school. It will cause the appearance of the over development of the site. Please refuse consent. (This application has been called in)

Decisions

148 Oxford Road – using rear garden to add two dwellings to the development of 1 Rippington Drive - approved

Other Matters

Parish Transport Representatives Meeting postponed to 27 March 2006
Review of Subsidised Bus Services deferred to June 2006. Items for consideration to be submitted to Oxon.C.C. by 9 January 2006
Fares and Ticketing Strategy items for consideration to Oxon C.C. by 6 January 2006
Adoption of the Oxford Local Plan 2001 – 2016 noted
Reply from Oxford Bus Company stating that the restoration of the Cumberledge Close service was most unlikely
Mrs. vanZyl would try to obtain the numbers of houses in the Parish lost to flat conversions

S.106 Grants

The following were agreed for payment next month;

| Organisation | Agreed 2005/6 £ |
|---|--------------------|
| St Nicholas Baby and Toddler Group | 200.00 |
| Old Marston over 50's Club | 150.00 |
| Mortimer Hall Pre-school | 200.00 |
| St. Nicholas PCC. (Marston Times) | 250.00 |
| Old Marston Mill Lane Allotment Association | 100.00 |
| Oxsrad | 300.00 |
| FOSNS at St. Nicholas First School | 300.00 |
| Marston Saints F.C. | 260.00 |
| TOTAL | 1,760.00 |

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Accounts

The following Accounts were passed for payment:

| | | £ |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|---------|
| Mortimer Hall Management Cttee | Use of hall for meetings | 18.00 |
| L.M. Garner | Salary and expenses | 1655.39 |
| Falcon Signs Ltd. | Dog signs | 45.98 |

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Recreation Ground

The Clerk was trying to get from the F.A. a contractor's address from whom to obtain a further quote for the land drainage.

Highways

The Clerk had ascertained that it is the County Executive Committee that edits the list of highway improvements to be carried out in the financial year following its March meeting. It was agreed to address to members of that committee a dossier of highway defects prior to that meeting

The suggested name of Rylands was accepted for consideration by the City Council but for consideration when building work commences. It was decided to recommend that the

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decision should be taken now to avoid an alternative name being introduced by the builder and used in marketing.

Ruskin College had secured a quarter page endorsement, in the Oxford Times, of its offer of land adjoining the Northern Bypass for a Park and Ride. No credit given to the Council's long-term recommendation of the Saxon Way route. It was decided to seek a similar endorsement.

The Clerk said that the Council's request to the City Council to conduct a safety audit of Oxford Road's suitability for wheelchairs had been passed to the County Highway Surveyor; as he is an interested party the Clerk asked that it be withdrawn

Burial Ground

The suggestion that two trees should be planted along the southern boundary and two rose bushes near the seat was accepted.

Date of Next Meeting

3 January 2006

Company subject to amendments to PARGOPII - MINUTE