

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE OLD MARSTON PARISH COUNCIL

HELD IN THE CHURCH HALL AT 7.30 p.m.

ON TUESDAY 5th MARCH 1996

Present were: Mr A T Jones (Chairman)
Mr C W Haynes (Vice-chairman)

Mesdames Nurse, Sanders, Stone and Tiwari
Messrs Bartleet, Devonport and Phipps

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs Cox, Mrs Deam,
and Mr Drinkwater

The Clerk Mr L M Garner was in attendance.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on the 6th February 1996
and 13th February 1996 were confirmed and signed.

School car parking

Mr Bartleet was accompanied by Mr F.Jupp (a former member
of Council) and he was invited to address the meeting. The
continuing problem is one of cars being used to collect children
from school with no adequate provision. The result is congestion,
bad parking and a danger to pedestrians. Mrs Sanders said that
the Heads of both Schools and their Governors were aware of the
problems and had, on several occasions, written to parents to ask
them to park safely, to little effect. Parking control was a matter
for the Police who were unwilling to devote resources to such a
local problem. The Clerk was asked to write to the Schools to ask
that the parents should again be contacted. The Chairman thanked
Mr Jupp for drawing the Councils' attention to the problem. Mr
Jupp left the meeting.

Correspondence

The following were noted;

Oxford City Council-Members Information sheets 39 and 40
Old Marston Residents' Association-Minutes of meetings
31st January 1996 and AGM 14th February
1996

Oxford City Council-Agenda Newsletter
Oxfordshire Rural Community Council-Circular re affordable
housing

Best Kept Village entry form. It was
decided to enter

Dialability- Exhibition programme

C.P.R.E.- Pamphlet re rural transport

Oxford City Council-Invitation to purchase copies of Council
Minutes, not accepted

Planning

Applications; The following were considered;

Oxfordshire County Council-Marston Middle School, ammended
builders access- No comment

33B Oxford Road- Extension- No comment

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From the agenda for a City planning meeting on the 6th March it appeared that the Hospital Trust was still supporting the Marsh Lane park and ride site. The Clerk was asked to contact the Trust to enquire whether it had considered further the Parish Council's proposals which it had undertaken to do.

Mill Lane site

The Clerk reported that it had been necessary to check with the Department of the Environment whether the Secretary of State's consent would be required for the development of the site. It was not.

There seemed ~~a~~ few Planning Consultants operating in the Oxford area and the Clerk was asked to contact Mrs Spencer for a nomination. When three names were available the Clerk would arrange the interviews.

It was decided that a planning brief would be required which the Clerk was asked to draft.

Mr R.Ward, whose business site adjoins the allotments said he would wish to purchase all or part of the site so that he could transfer his business to it. The Council decided not to apply for this alternative use.

Accounts

The following accounts were passed for payment;

Oxfordshire Rural Community Council-Best Kept Village Competition	£10.00
Oxford City Council-Removing carousel	£220.00
Balance of February account	£57.43
Repairs to carousel	£100.00
M.Wilson-Boults Lane hedge and trees	£600.00
Replacing fencing rails	£150.00
L M Garner-Salary and expenses	£979.88

Recreation Ground

It was decided not to proceed for the time being, with a replacement carousel for the Oxford Road recreation ground.

The Clerk was asked to approach Mr Steadman for a quote for redecorating the exterior of the Football Pavilion.

Highways

A letter was received from the City Council indicating that cabling work in Old Marston would take place in the second half of 1996. The Clerk was asked to enquire when the plans would be prepared. A reply was received from the City Engineer concerning the highway tree adjoining 23, Salford Road. The Clerk was asked to convey this to the householder.

Mrs Tiwari requested that the tree at 8, Cavendish Drive should be pruned as it was overshadowing that property. The Clerk to write to the City Engineer.

The Clerk reported that he had attended the Oxfordshire County Council Engineer's presentation on Highways, Construction and Maintenance. No new information was revealed but as a result of his comments relating to traffic and the County Structure Plan the Director of Planning had invited the Clerk to discuss Marston's problems with him.

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Other Matters

It was decided to enquire whether a hazardous paint store existed at 48, Oxford Road.

The condition of the verge in Cherwell Drive was a cause for concern and the Clerk was asked to write to the City Engineer.

It was decided that a double notice board would be required and the Clerk was asked to obtain a quotation.

AMM T. Jones

2nd April 1986