



Old Marston Parish Council

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Members of the public and press are welcome to attend the following meeting (Public Bodies (Admission to Meeting) Act 1960 Section 1& LGC 1972 S.100) unless precluded by the Parish Council by resolution during the whole or part of the proceedings. (S.O 3d). They may address the parish council on any matter of council business during the time allotted at the beginning of the meeting for public participation. Anyone wishing to speak must give prior notice with name and address to the Clerk before the meeting starts.

No member of the public or press shall speak for more than 5 minutes unless the Chairman so declares and the total time for public participation is 20 minutes. (S.O. 3f & g). There is no entitlement to speak at any other time during the meeting.

An issue raised shall not require a response at the meeting nor start a debate. The Chairman may direct that an oral or written response be given (S.O. 3h) or that a note be made for later action.

A record of public participation may be included in the Minutes and if any actions are required they will be reported on at the next meeting.

To: All members of Old Marston Parish Council Environment Committee.

You are summoned to the MEETING of OLD MARSTON PARISH COUNCIL ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE to be held at **6:00pm on Friday 25th October 2019** in the Roy Garner Pavilion, Boults Lane, Old Marston, Oxford, when the following business will be transacted.

Yours faithfully

Tim Cann.
Parish Clerk

21st October 2019

NOTE: Please ensure that you have familiarised yourself with the items on the agenda before the meeting.

From time to time it may be unavoidable for members to arrive late or need to leave early. Please be aware these occurrences WILL be recorded in the minutes at the appropriate stage of the proceedings.

Councillors are requested to declare any prejudicial interest they have in any of the items.

AGENDA

- 1. Request if anyone is intending to record the proceeds of the meeting, if so has any member of the public any objections in being included.**
- 2. Apologies for absence**
- 3. Requests from members of the public to speak: Please note you are required to complete a brief slip and return to the Clerk prior to speaking.**
- 4. Minutes of the Meeting held on the 2nd August 2019**
- 5. Matter Arising omitting those for which an agenda heading follows.**
- 6. Questionnaire.**
- 7. Community Space, storage facility and Recycling Centre.**
- 8. Information sharing:**
 - Email correspondence between Alistair Morris & the Clerk
 - Email from Alistair Morris regarding 23rd Nov & FoE tree planting
- 9. Plus anything of an urgent nature which has comes to the Clerk's attention since the agenda was set.**
- 10. Date of next meeting: - TBA**

Minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on the 2nd August 2019 in the Roy Garner Pavilion at 4:10pm.

Present: Peter Williams - Chairman (PW) May James (MJ)
Louise Milford(LM) Alistair Morris (AM)

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ENV 19/08/01 No on intended to record the proceedings of the meeting.

ENV 19/08/02 There was no apologies of absence.

ENV 19/08/03 It was **RESOLVED** to co-opt Charlotte Vinnicombe onto the Committee.

ENV 19/08/04 It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 14th June 2019.

ENV 19/08/05 There were no matters arising.

ENV 19/08/06 **Traffic Calming & Parking throughout the Parish:** It was **RESOLVED** recommend to Council that PW draft a letter be written to County Council Yvonne Constance, County Councillor responsible for the Environment (including transport), pointing out the Councils concerns regarding speeding, congestion and safety. A copy would also be sent to Mark Lygo, County Council for Old Marston, City Councillors Mary Clarkson & Mick Haines.

LM to provide PW with a contact details for Polstead Road, where they already operate a label to place in car window screens showing that it is a residence car.

Possible clean road signs. Road sign in Elsfield Road leaning.

Seek a representative for the Southside of the Oxford Road.

ENV 19/08/07 **Potential Development:** Contacts have been made but all seems to have gone quiet. Awaiting South Oxfordshire District Council decision of their Local Plan.

ENV19/08/08 **Loss of Parish Facilities: Post Office:** The Clerk informed the committee that he had been in contact with head office of the Post Office and that an internal investigation was still being done. No decision would be made until that investigation had been concluded.

GP Surgery: PW advised that the business of the **GP Surgery** was administered from Bury Knowle and out of the control of the Parish Council.

ENV19/08/09 **Increase Biodiversity:** It was **RESOLVED** to recommend to the Council that from next season the far corner of the Cemetery paddock and the Orchard Triangle should only be cut once a year, except for the public right of way.

ENV19/08/10 **Improve Environment:** It was **RESOLVED** to recommend to the Council that PW draft a letter be sent to the City Council stating the Councils concern about the poor air quality.

The Clerk confirmed that a letter had been sent to the Head Teacher of St Nicholas Primary School. PW asked if any reply had been received. It was **RESOLVED** to recommend to the Council that PW draft a further letter should be sent to the Head Teacher asking for a reply.

ENV19/08/11 **Future Proof Marston against development, climate and traffic:** After some discussion it was **RESOLVED** to recommend to the Council that a leaflet be produced raising the awareness of the environment, asking what people thought the Parish Council could do.

ENV19/08/12 **Information Sharing:** NONE

ENV19/08/13 There was no matters of an urgent nature brought to the Clerks attention.

ENV19/08/14 **Date of Next Meeting:** Friday 25th October 2019 at 6pm in the Roy Garner Pavilion.

Meeting closed: 5:44pm

What can we do to help our Environment?

Climate change is a huge concern internationally, nationally and locally. There are already local projects running to mitigate the effects of climate change and to help our local environment. They are: Community gardening projects, replacing diseased trees and planting new trees on Parish land.

We would like to know your concerns on environment matters. Please circle the most appropriate reply:

A – very concerned B- Concerned C-not a priority D – not at all

Are you concerned about air pollution? **A B C D**

Traffic is a huge cause of air pollution. Would you like to see a reduction in traffic in our area? **A B C D**

Would you like to see traffic calming in your area? (It has been proven that air particle pollution from cars is increased with speed of traffic) **Yes No**

Parked cars on roads cause obstruction to flow of traffic. Are you concerned about the number of parked cars in your area? **A B C D**

Would you like the Parish Council to plant more trees to improve air quality and bio diversity? (this will incur long term costs for maintenance) **Yes No**

To encourage cycling locally, would you like to see more cycle racks at our local shops, schools and local amenities? **Yes No**

Please circle your answers and give to a Parish councillor or bring along to the next open meeting or Parish Council meeting.

**Are there any suggestions you would like to put forward to the Parish Council?
Please provide your comments in the space below:**