

**Minutes of Old Marston Parish Council Meeting 7<sup>th</sup> April 2015 at 7:30pm.**

**Present:**

**Parish Council**

<b>Charlie Haynes (CH) - Chairman</b>	<b>Duncan Hatfield (DH) – Vice-Chairman</b>
<b>Patricia Hall (PH)</b>	<b>Michael Cadd (MC)</b>
<b>Angie Tiwari (AT)</b>	<b>John Batey (JB)</b>
<b>Barrie Lewis (BL)</b>	<b>Tony Greenfield (TG)</b>
<b>Nils Bartleet (NB)</b>	<b>Tim Cann (Clerk)</b>

**City Council**

**Cllr Mary Clarkson (M)**                      **Cllr Mick Haines (MH)**

**Members of the Public : 2**

**CH asked if anyone intended to record the proceedings of the meeting. TG to record.**

**CH asked Councillors to declare any prejudicial interests. None**

**15/04/01 Apologies for Absence:**

**ACTIONS**

**Peter Cox**

**15/04/02 Minutes of the last meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> March were approved.** PH thought 15/03/10 should say “Oxford Road” instead of “Marston Road”. CH proposed that once changed, minutes can be signed. All agreed.

**15/04/03 Requests from members of the public to speak : None.**

**15/04/04 Matters Arising (omitting those for which an agenda heading follows) None**

**15/04/05 Planning**

**Applications to be decided**

15/00783/FUL – 4 Boults Close – No Objections.

15/00892/FUL – 7 Elsfield Road – No Objections.

15/00761/FUL – 33 Church Lane (Retrospective) – No Objections, although the City Council have some concerns over previous building conditions.

15/00976/FUL – 17 Oxford Road – No Objections.

**Applications considered between meetings:- NONE**

**Decisions:**

14/02934/FUL – 2 Mortimer Drive – APPROVED

15/00067/FUL – 13 Elms Drive – REFUSED

15/00330/FUL – 6 Southcroft - APPROVED

**Awaiting Decisions:**

14/03496/FUL – Colthorn Farm

15/00210/FUL – Land adjacent 147 Oxford Road

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OALC (2015/16 Membership)	631.49
Charlie Haynes (Phone/BB Service – March 2015)	20.00
Clerk’s Pay including expenses & pension - March 2015	
Oxford City Council (Cemetery Refuse Collection)	69.60
Anthony Stiff Associates Ltd (Second Interim Payment)	1950.00
ORCC (2015/16 Membership)	65.00
Oxford Green Belt Network (Annual Membership)	15.00
MP Security (Annual Pavilion Alarm Inspection)	95.62
<b>Petty Cash Expenditure:-</b> NONE	
<b>INCOME :-</b>	
Marston Saints FC (Annual Rent)	150.00
NB proposed payment accepted. JB Seconded. All Agreed.	

- b. The Clerk informed the Council that he had researched to ensure they were getting the best interest on their reserves and as at 10<sup>th</sup> March 2015;
- Santander 0.45%,
  - TSB 0.05% on the first £1,000,000
  - NATWEST 0.05% on the first £249,999 & 0.15% £250,000 and above
  - State Bank of India 1.5%
  - Barclays 0.38%
  - Newbury Building Society 1.25% - current holders of the reserves.
- CH proposed we remain with the Newbury Building Society. JB seconded. All agreed.

#### **15/04/09 Draft Standing Orders**

The Clerk read through confirming the alterations had been actioned as decided at the previous meeting.

JB proposed they be accepted and the New Standing Orders be adopted. NB seconded. All agreed.

#### **15/04/10 Highways**

##### **a. i. Parking Survey**

MH reported that he had spoken to David Tole and the first batch of questionnaires, covering Oxford Road and the Carter estate, will be delivered on Friday 10<sup>th</sup>, the second batch covering the remainder of the Parish will be

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delivered the following Tuesday. NB asked if they were proposals or suggestions? MH stated proposals. CH thanked MH for all he had done. JB thought they would be prepaid so onus on resident to return. MH to contact the Clerk so he can arrange for a copy to go to each Parish Councillor. **TC**

**ii.** JB proposed, due to the nature of the subject, the Council go into Committee. CH seconded. All agreed.

The public, including City Councillors, left the room.

There then followed a frank and open discussion where code of conduct was discussed.

The public, including City Councillors, returned.

**b. Underpass**

The Clerk advised that he had met with the engineer while working on the pumps, who said that the problem seemed to be with the surrounding brookes and ditches as pumps working fine. The engineer would contact Oxfordshire County Council to clear surrounding waterways. TG reported that it was still a problem with flooding. The Clerk to chase. **TC**

**c.** BL stated that there were a lot of bikes being chained to lampposts. CH advised that, as they were not breaking the law there was not a lot the Council could do.

**d.** BL stated that the surface of many roads is breaking up, even when the streetsweeper goes over it in places it sweeps up part of the surface. M said she would mention it to Highways to investigate. AT stated the wooden post on the corner of Mortimer Drive/Raymund Road was broken. TG said he reported on-line the underpass which was attended to within hours.

**15/04/11 Website, Facebook, Twitter & Streetlife**

DH informed the Council that there are now over 430 Twitter followers, development of the website was ongoing.

JB asked about the photographs. TG agreed to do in the Summer, when weather improved.

**15/04/12 Information Sharing (including correspondence)**

**County & City Councillors Reports**

MH reported that repairs to the paths of Nicholas Avenue was about to start.

DH thanked all who took part in this year's OXCLEAN; a very successful morning with over 35 volunteers helping.

Email from Tony Greenfield re Old Marston Traffic & Parking Issues Epetition

Email from John Batey re responding to Tony's email

Email from Oxfordshire Preservation Trust re 2015 awards

Rural Services Network Weekly News Digest 9 March

ORCC News Bulletin

Email from ROAR (Rural Oxfordshire Action Rally) re fighting "inappropriate & excessive development in Oxfordshire

Rural Services Network Digest 16 March

Rural Services Network re Economy Spotlight March 2015

Email from Mary Clarkson re Bradlands development estimate handover date

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Rural Services Network Rural Transport March 2015  
Rural Services Network News Digest 23 March 2015  
Email from Thames Valley Police re 2015 Community Policing awards  
Email from Oxfordshire County Council re 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VE Day  
Email from Tony Greenfield to Cllr Nimmo-Smith re parking & traffic issues  
Temporary Road Traffic Closure Notice re Oxford Town & Gown Run  
Temporary Road Traffic Closure Notice re May Day Celebrations  
Temporary Road Traffic Closure Notice re London Road & Alternative routes  
Oxford City Council Parish Council Forum Agenda Minutes 9 March  
Letter to Newbury Building Society re tax paid on interest  
Letter from The Pensions Regulator re the Clerk's pension status  
Letter from Oxford Edens re gardening & grounds maintenance work  
Letter from Weaveley Arboretum re their natural burial cemetery  
Email from Rural Services Network News Digest 30 March  
Email from Tony Greenfield re agenda items.

Meeting closed: 21:10

**Date of Next Meeting:** Parish Council Training Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2015 7pm  
Annual Parish Meeting Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2015 in Mortimer Hall at 7:00pm followed by  
the Annual Parish Council Meeting.

Signed by the Chairman.