

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE OLD MARSTON PARISH COUNCIL

HELD IN THE CHURCH HALL AT 7.30 p.m.

ON TUESDAY 5th DECEMBER 1995

Present were: Mr A T Jones (Chairman)
Mr C W Haynes (Vice-chairman)
Mesdames Cox, Deam, Nurse, Stone & Tiwari
Messrs Drinkwater & Phipps

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs Sanders and
Mr Devonport
The Clerk Mr L M Garner was in attendance.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on the 7th November were confirmed and signed.

Correspondence

Letters of thanks were received in respect of the donations made at last meeting.

The following were noted:

National Blood Service- Donor's Charter
SPISE- Regional Planning Commentary
Oxfordshire County Council- Speed Cameras
Oxford City Council- City Parking proposals
Oxford City Council- Members' Information sheets
Oxfordshire Social Services- Consultation documents
National Blood Service- Closure of Oxford Centre
Oxford City Council- Deferral of meeting with Parish Council

A circular was received from Mr R. Aylmer referring to vandalism in Mill Lane and suggesting that Street Captains should be appointed to gather information about vandalism and to combat it by personal contact with the families concerned. The Clerk had discussed the proposal with the Police who did not favour the suggestion, preferring the establishment of Neighbourhood Watch schemes. Mr Alymer had indicated that he would not be willing to participate in either scheme. The Clerk was asked to write to him to convey the Police opinion.

Planning

Applications

The following were considered;

77 Cherwell Drive- Swimming Pool- No comment
97 Oxford Road- Porch - No comment
22 Oxford Road- Enlargement of existing dwelling
There was no objection to the proposed building works but it was considered that the increase from one to three bedrooms would be likely to increase pressure on on-street parking. It was decided to object on this ground.

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Decisions

The following were reported;

61 Cherwell Drive-	Extension-	Approved
Court Place Farm-	Extended stand-	Approved
64 Arlington Drive-	Extension-	Approved
39 Salford Road-	Extension (Amended plan)	Approved

Other matters

As requested the Clerk had distributed copies of the Parish Council's comments to the Oxfordshire Structure Plan to all members of the County Council, two of whom had written accepting the Parish Council's comments.

A letter was received from the Chairman of the Oxford Radcliffe Trust confirming that the Parish Council's proposed link to the A40 would be re-examined.

The Clerk confirmed that the separate pedestrian access to the Marsh Lane Football Ground had been provided. Attention was drawn to the problems caused by football supporters parking cars on the areas reserved for the OXRAD building.

Accounts

The following accounts were passed for payment;

Oxford City Council-	Jetting drains ,Boults Lane Recreation ground	£109.00
Marston P.C.C.-	Grant for Marston Times (S.137)	£150.00
L M Garner-	Salary and expenses	£1057.26

Recreation Ground

The Clerk obtained a quotation for the annual grass cutting and litter clearance from the Council's land for 1996 in the sum of £141.95. It was decided that this should be accepted. It was also decided to accept a further quotation in the sum of £120.00 for levelling and laying turf under one of the sets of swings in the Oxford Road recreation ground.

A seat was selected to be purchased from the Best Kept Village prize money.

Highways

The tree in the link adjacent to the boundary of 23, Salford Road overhangs the garden considerably and has cracked the boundary wall. The owner had written to the City Council which proposed to take no action. The Parish Council's support was requested and the Clerk was asked to write to support the request for the tree to be removed.

Mrs Tiwari said that her neighbour did not like the tree at 8, Cavendish Drive and the Clerk was asked to write to the City Council concerning this.

A price list of purpose made Notice Boards was received and in view of the prices quoted it was decided to try to find a local person to make one.

Proposed Youth Club

It was decided to defer the meeting to consider the proposed site until the 13th February 1996.

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Branch Library

The Oxfordshire County Council were proposing to close the Branch Library at the Mortimer Hall as part of it's budget cuts. As this would cause a great inconvenience to local residents the Clerk was asked to write to oppose the proposal.

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