

OxRAD Road /
Boults Lane
HLOTHS
(City 00000)



Minutes of a Meeting of the Old Marston Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 6 February 2001 at the Mortimer Hall

Members Present

Mr. C.W. Haynes Chairman
Mrs. C. Stone Vice-chairman
Mesdames Bradley, Cox and Nurse
Messrs Cann and Taylor
The Clerk Mr. L.M. Garner in attendance

Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Tiwari and Mr. Baker

Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 January 2001 were confirmed and signed.

Correspondence

Notice of changes to the Registration Service (Births, Marriages and Deaths) were received. District Offices would continue as before but with records held centrally.
Mrs. J. Sanders, the Editor of the Marston Times, stated that an extra sheet would be inserted in the April and September editions as a supplements to "enable all local organisations within the Parish to give details of their plans and for big issues facing the community to be aired in greater detail". Copy required by 15 March 2001.
It was decided not to enter the Best Kept Village Competition.
Many other items were circulated.

Mortimer Hall Lease

The lease of the site for a further 35 years, from the expiry of the existing lease was signed.

Planning

Applications

The following were considered :-

71 Oxford Road - alterations and erection of two new houses (revised application). It was decided to draw attention to the potential number of vehicles using the only access, from two new houses and two existing and the close proximity of the new houses to 2 Boults Lane. It was also suggested that the opportunity to widen the footpath should be Taken.

61 Horseman Close-new garage-no comment

Decisions

The following was reported :-

27 Church Lane-conversion of garage into living accommodation-approved.

Other Matters

The Local Residents Forum meeting called by the Oxford Radcliffe Trust on 30 January 2001 had been deferred to 20 March 2001 at Lecture Theatre 1 at JRH.

Accounts

The following accounts were passed for payment:-

Oxrad	Grant S.137	£ 200.00
Victin Support	Grant S.137	50.00
L.M. Garner	Reimbursement for stationery	62.23

Audit Report

Audit had been concluded but the accounts approved at the May 2000 Meeting were incorrectly dated. A further copy was approved and signed.

The Auditors suggestion that the Fidelity Guarantee amount should be reviewed and it was agreed that it be increased to £40,000

Recreation Ground

The sub-committee, appointed at the last meeting, reported that it had considered the three quotations received for the provision of new play equipment and fencing and recommended acceptance of that submitted by SMP (Playgrounds) Ltd. for the repair of existing equipment and the provision of new equipment selected to the budget of £20,000. The Clerk to meet a company representative to finalise the details for approval by the Chairman prior to final acceptance.

The offer from the Allotment Association to plant about 20 hedging plants in the boundary hedge was accepted with thanks.

The Clerk reported further incursions by ponies from the adjoining field on to the Boults Lane Ground. It was decided to ask Mr. Ward to fence off the staggered entry at the Marsh Lane end and to refurbish the stile on the correct path route.

The Marston Saints to be asked to defer further junior matches until the pitch has dried out.

It was decided to ask the Scouts for their intentions for their lease that is due to expire on 31 December 2002.

Highways

The Highway Authority stated that it had no responsibility to improve the St. Nicholas School pedestrian entrance The Clerk had already informed the School.

The Clerk reported that he had met Mr. Burchett the City Assistant Street Services Manager to further the plea for a bus shelter in Mill Lane and received a sympathetic and possibly optimistic hearing. He had visited Mill Lane with him to encourage action to clear up the hammer head area, the subway to arrange for repairs to the Mural that Mr. Burchett denied were the City's responsibility and Marsh Lane to show the state of the verges and to reinforce the claim for a footpath from Horseman Close to Elsfield Road. Also discussed was the need for a long term plan to deal with failing kerbs and to cut back grass encroaching over metalled footpaths.

Burial Ground

The Clerk drew attention to the Conditions that did not restrict items that could be brought on to the Site. It was agreed that an amendment was needed for approval at the next meeting.

Any Other Business

It was noted with regret that no further progress had been made by the OPT in its programme of hedging. The Clerk would write to the Trust.

Date of Next Meeting

6 March 2001

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