

## Minutes of the Old Marston Parish Council Meeting held on the 7<sup>th</sup> February 2022 at the Mortimer Hall from 7:00pm.

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### UNCONFIRMED

#### Present:

#### Parish Council:

Duncan Hatfield (DH) – Chairman	Pat Hall (PH) – Vice-Chairman
Louise Milford (LM)	Mary James (MJ)
Charlotte Vinnicombe (CV)	Peter Cox (PC)
Alistair Morris (AM)	Alan Spence (AS)
Mick Cadd (MC)	Tim Cann (Clerk)

#### Oxford City Council:

Mick Haines (MH)

#### Members of Public: 2

**22/02/01 Intention to record the proceedings of the meeting:** NONE.

**22/02/02 Apologies for Absence:** Parish Councillor Mick Bates – Self-isolating, Parish Councillor Skye Denno – Work commitments, Parish Councillor Peter Williams – Away, City Councillor Mary Clarkson – City Council commitments, County Councillor Mark Lygo – Self-isolating.

**22/02/03 Website and social media:** DH advised that he was keeping up to date with the website contents, always needing pictures of events happening around the Parish. Followers increasing on Twitter & Facebook.

#### **22/02/04 Public, County & City Councillors & Thames Valley Police participation (if any requests received)**

##### **a. Thames Valley Police:**

PCSO Frazer : Informed the council that there was not a huge amount going on in and around Old Marston. A couple of nights ago there was a missing person incident which was resolved. Cannabis use in Copse Lane area and antisocial behaviour around St Nicholas Primary School. The lad ringing doorbells and running away in Old Marston South is known to the police. Frazer said that he will report back issues of speeding along Elms Drive.

##### **b. County & City Councillor Reports:**

**City Councillor Mick Haines** – Mick reported that there was a blog on FaceBook of raw sewage in the Marston area. He has long been campaigning for the flooding situation to be taken seriously so will be continuing with this. He has also

been campaigning for a multistorey car park at the John Radcliffe Hospital. The City Council voted against his proposal but have agreed that the City and County Council have a joint investigation into alternatives.

**c. Public:**

NONE.

**22/02/05 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022.** It was **RESOLVED** these are a true record.

**22/02/06 Matters Arising (omitting those for which an Agenda heading follows):**  
No matters arising.

**22/02/07 Operational Checks:**

- The Clerk reported that the weekly checks on the defibrillator had been carried out with no faults found.
- The Clerk reported that the weekly checks on the play equipment had been carried out with no faults found.

**22/02/08 Queen's Platinum Jubilee:**

It was **RESOLVED** to order:

- Ten full sized Union Jack flags,
- Ten square flagged bunting (10m with 33 flags on)

The Clerk will contact the Red Lion and Victoria Arms to see what they have planned and whether this includes lighting beacons. The Environment Committee will be looking at locations for trees.

**22/02/09 Planning:**

**Applications considered between meetings:** NONE.

**Decisions:**

21/002637/FUL – 1 Lewell Avenue – **REFUSED**

21/03153/FUL – 42 Arlington Drive – **APPROVED**

21/03120/FUL – 86 Arlington Drive – **WITHDRAWN**

**Awaiting Decisions:**

20/02457/DEL – Willow Barn, Oxford Road

20/03034/FUL – Hill View Farm

21/01217/FUL – Land West of Mill Lane.

21/02580/FUL – St Nicholas Caravan Park/Marston Paddock

21/02887/FUL – 52 Mill Lane

21/03294/FUL – 56 Marsh Lane

21/03100/FUL – Land to rear of 1 Cromwell Close

21/03401/FUL – 47 Cherwell Drive

**Applications to be decided:**

- **21/00168/FUL – 22 Beechey Avenue** – Demolition of existing single storey rear extension. Erection of single storey rear extension. Insertion of 1 window to side elevation. – **NO OBJECTION.**
- **Update on former Jack Russell site:** Work ongoing
- **Update on Land West of Mill Lane** – M advised that the land had now been sold on with planning permission; however, as yet not known to whom.
- **Update on Marston Paddock** – No further information received.
- **Update on Back Lane** – CV advised the Council that she had informed the City Council of the County Council intention of upgrading Back Lane. The City Council were not aware of these plans, saying that there were legal implications to be resolved. The County Council have now confirmed that there is no plan yet in place to commission the work. The County is aware planning permission is needed, and some legal agreements, before anything can happen. The talks taking place are that, if approved, this would be sometime in the next 10 years.

**22/02/10 Finance:** Bank balance as at 03/02/2022 –

Current A/c £32,449.41 (including CIL £18,189.40) Business Reserve A/c £3,760.52

Unity Trust A/c. £17,311.93

Petty Cash £179.74

Skipton Building Society A/c £5,036.09 Newbury Building Society A/c £86,950.84

The following accounts to be paid:	£ Incl. VAT
Clerk's Pay Including Expenses, Pension, etc. – January 2022	
Andrew Job Plumbing & Heating (BL Pump)	616.47
BGG (Litter Picking December)	72.00
Edmead Electrical (Electrical Check on Pump)	85.00
Seiretto (Domain Hosting & Mailboxes)	202.79
Dave Hook (Pavilion Wall Repair wind damage)	75.00
JDP Solutions (November Newsletter)	470.00

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£2,652.27</b>
<b>Petty Cash Expenditure:</b>	<b>No Expenditure</b>
<b>INCOME:</b>	
Mr D. Ward (Paddock Rent)	500.00
Abingdon Stone Masons (Ponting Memorials)	250.00
Haven Memorials (Witt Memorial)	250.00
Newbury Building Society (Annual Interest Added)	475.02
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£1,475.02</b>

It was **RESOLVED** to accept these accounts.

#### **22/02/11 Pavilion, Recreation Grounds & Cemetery:**

- **End of Boults Lane entrance:** After some discussion, with the introduction of the CPZ, it was **RESOLVED** to monitor parking.
- **Suggestion for a sandpit in the Mortimer Hall Recreation Ground play area:** It was **RESOLVED** for this to be looked at by the Pavilion, Recreation Grounds & Cemetery Committee.
- **Memorial Requests:**
  - Vincenzo Cerundolo – APPROVED
  - Gilbert William Baker – APPROVED
  - Marion Joan Cartlidge - APPROVED

#### **22/02/12 Climate Change Meeting:**

It was **RESOLVED** that the Environment Committee would review the proceedings of the Climate Change Meeting and report its recommendations back to the Council.

#### **22/02/13 Mill Lane Allotments Agreement:**

The current agreement ends in 2027. The Mill Lane Allotments Association have asked to start talks to renew the agreement. It was **RESOLVED** the Pavilion, Recreation Grounds & Cemetery Committee would look into this and report back.

#### **22/02/14 Governance & Administration:**

- **Staffing & Standards Committee Meeting:** The Council **RESOLVED** to accept the recommendation of the committee and award the Clerk a 3% pay rise, in line with National public sector, and increase the Clerk's paid hours from 23 to 24 hours per week. To take effect from 1 May 2022.
- **Standing Orders & Financial Regulations:** It was **RESOLVED** to adopt the Standing Orders and Financial Regulations.

- **Parish Council Logo:** It was **RESOLVED** that:
  - The competition will be open to all.
  - Old Marston Parish Council would have the final decision.
  - The Prize will be £50.00
  - Entries can be via email or post.
  - It will be promoted on all the Council's social media, website, newsletter, Oxford Mail etc.
  - Closing date is the 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022.

**22/02/15 Fully Charged Road Show:**

It was **RESOLVED** that the council would pay for a weekend ticket, approximately £45.00, for Parish Councillor Alistair Morris to attend the show.

**22/02/16 Items of an urgent nature which have come to the Clerk's attention since the agenda was set:**

NONE.

**22/02/17 Information sharing (including correspondence):**

Rural Services Network Digest etc,

- OALC Newsletter
- Community Shop: A revised, less threatening, document has been received from the resident which has been forwarded to the Mortimer Hall Management Committee to discuss at their next meeting.
- The Experienced Clerk: The Clerk attended a short online training session and key points were given.

**22/02/18 Date of next meeting:**

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 7pm in the Mortimer Hall.

**MEETING CLOSED: 8:30pm**

Signed: .....  
Chairman

Date: .....

Please note: Minutes become CONFIRMED following resolution at the following Full Council Meeting.