# Minutes of Old Marston Parish Council Meeting 5th July 2016 at 7:30pm.

**Present:** 

**Parish Council** 

John Batey (JB) – Chairman Duncan Hatfield (DH) – Vice-Chairman

Patricia Hall (PH)

Peter Cox (PC)

Angie Tiwari (AT)

Nils Bartleet (NB)

Tony Greenfield (TG)

Michael Cadd (MC)

Barrie Lewis (BL)

Michael O'Keefe (MO)

Peter Williams (PW)

Tim Cann (Clerk)

**City Council** 

**Cllr Mick Haines (MH)** 

Members of the Public: 5

**16/07/01** No Councillors declared any prejudicial interests and no one intended to record the proceedings of the meeting.

16/07/02 Apologies for Absence:

ACTION

Charlie Haynes City Councillor Mary Clarkson

**County Councillor Mark Lygo** 

16/07/03 Paul Spooner spoke about a fence which has been erected in Jessops Close. A new neighbour has moved in and replaced a hedge with a 2mtr wooden fence. A number of neighbours feel the fence is inappropriate and not in keeping with the open plan and fear it sets a precedent. As the fence did not require planning permission there was little the Council could do. However, the Clerk has since emailed the Planning Department of the Oxford City Council making them aware of local residents concerns.

16/07/04 Minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2016. It was RESOLVED these are a true record.

16/07/05 Matters Arising (omitting those for which an agenda heading follows): None.

16/07/06 Planning Applications to be decided:

**16/01579/FUL – 146 Oxford Road –** Erection of two storey side extension. **- NO OBJECTION.** 

Applications considered between meetings: None.

**Decisions:** 

16/01009/FUL - 124 & 126 Oxford Road - PERMITTED

# **Awaiting Decisions:**

15/02282/OUT – The Jack Russell Public House

16/01157/FUL - 29 Mill Lane

16/01207/FUL - 10 Elsfield Road

16/01208/LBC - 10 Elsfield Road

16/01008/FUL - 139 Oxford Road

16/01212/FUL – 19 Salford Road

16/01313/FUL - 30 Elms Drive

Signed by the Chairman.

# 16/07/07 Boults Lane Development:

- a. Pavilion Committee. MC, chairman of the committee, went through the minutes of the meeting. JB advised the Council that he had contacted an associate and he was interested in doing a project manager role. After some discussion NB proposed that we advertise for a Project Manager with a very limited time scale due to the urgency of the project. PW seconded. All agreed. It was RESOLVED that the Pavilion Committee interviewed candidates and agreed terms and conditions and the Finance Committee to exercise their delegated power in agreeing spending of up to £5,000.
- **b.** New pavilion storage: JB explained that the current storage runs out at the end of July and suggested extending this until the end of September. PW proposed extending a minimum of 2 months and see if we can get a deal for the third. MC seconded. All agreed.

**16/07/08 Cemetery :** It was RESOLVED to allow Kathleen Mundy's memorial, Clerk to check the colour is in keeping.

### 16/07/09 Finance

a. Bank balance as at 28/06/2016 –
Current Account £31,672.65 (including £2,307.73 CIL money) Petty Cash £137.95
Business Reserve Account £3,744.58 Newbury Building Society Account £224,045.21

The following accounts to be paid:	£ Incl. VAT	
Clerk's Pay including expenses, pension, NI, Tax, etc. – June 2016		
BGG (Grass cutting May 2016)	517.20	
Total Pest Control (Quarterly Charge for Cemetery & Boults Lane)	390.00	
Oxford City Council (M.H. Recreation Ground Footpath)	4583.80	
Community First (2016/17 Membership)	70.00	
David Hook (Replace manhole cover Boults Lane)	150.00	
Staples (Stationery)	85.95	
OALC (Training for Chairman)	78.00	
TOTAL	£7,393.41	
Petty Cash Expenditure:-		
TOTAL	0.00	

INCOME :-		
Cooperative Memorials (Kathleen Mundy)	250.00	
SSE (Wayleave)	8.00	
TOTAL	£258.00	

DH proposed these accounts were paid. NB seconded. All agreed.

- **b.** The Clerk advised the Council that in the May 2016 minutes it stated that £15.00 was paid for membership to CommunityFirst. This was an error as that payment was for membership to Oxfordshire Green Belt.
- **c.** DH proposed transferring the cost of three months storage for the pavilion from the Newbury Building Society to the current account. BL seconded. All agreed.

# 16/07/10 Revised Standing Orders.

- **a. Voting of the Parish Council** After some discussion it was RESOLVED not to proceed with this motion.
- **b.** Length of service of a Parish Council chairman After some discussion it was RESOLVED not to proceed with this motion.

**16/07/11 Defibrillator** – PH proposed only buying one defibrillator. BL seconded. It was RESOLVED to purchase one defibrillator.

8:41 MH left

## 16/07/12 Request for sign by the Old Marston Mill Lane Allotment Association. –

The secretary of OMMLAA has asked for a sign to go on the gate to the site making people aware that it is allotments and showing contact details for potential new plot holders. Cost would be approximately £85 (including VAT). DH proposed getting sign. PC seconded. For 4. Against 1. Abstentions 6. Proposal fell.

**16/07/13 Separate .gov.uk email address for individual councillors -** After some discussion it was RESOLVED not to proceed with this motion.

# 16/07/14 Parish Council Firework display venue 2016 – MC proposed that the Firework display continues. Seconded MO. For 10. Against 1. RESOLVED. NB proposed the budgeted figure of £1,750 continues. MO Seconded. For 10 Against 1 RESOLVED. MC proposed the venue of the Red Lion. PH Seconded. For 10. Against 1. RESOLVED. TG proposed asking if the Red Lion could do a collection on the night for a local charity. All agreed. DH proposed giving £250 to the Victoria Arms towards the Parish Fete. Seconded NB. For 10. Abstentions 1. RESOLVED.

**16/07/15 Parish Council 2017 Calendar:** It was agreed that TG would get quotes and bring to the September meeting.

# 16/07/16 Website, Facebook, Twitter & Streetlife

DH informed the meeting that he was putting old pictures and maps on the

Signed by the Chairman.

website. There are nearly 800 followers on Twitter and Facebook. Any news, events, etc. please let DH know.

### 16/07/17 Information Sharing (including correspondence)

# Clerk's Updates

- ➤ We are experiencing vandalism at the Mortimer Hall Recreation ground; play equipment being damaged, one of the picnic benches being burnt, Roy Jones plaque torn off. The local PCSOs have been notified and I am arranging for the work to be done ASAP.
- ➤ The ROSPA survey on the play equipment in Boults Lane & Mortimer Hall Recreation grounds will be carried out in July
- ➤ The manhole cover in Boults Lane has now been replaced.
- > The annual maintenance work on Boults Lane Recreation Ground has now been done.
- ➤ There have also been two cases where things have been removed from graves in the Elsfield Road Cemetery. I have assured the people who have contacted me that this has been done without the knowledge of the Council and have advised the local PCSO's.

Rural Services Network Digest etc,

Email from the Clerk regarding Oxford Half Marathon

Oxford City Council request for comments on the Oxford Local Plan 2036

Confirmation of Clerk reporting overhanging vegetation on footpath leading from Victoria Arms to Ferry Link Road

Confirmation from Kamalara of completion of work on Boults Lane Recreation Ground Confirmation of Clerk reporting Cherwell Drive grass verge issue

Email seeking feedback from residents of the Thames Valley on policing & crime Email from Mr Simpson thanking Council for their handling of 139 Oxford Road planning application

Email from Ms Kitovitz thanking Council for their handling of 139 Oxford Road planning application

Email from Ms Blackstock regarding items missing from her mother's grave & Clerk's reply

TG advised that he had spoken to a number of teenagers in the Mortimer Hall recreation ground and was making links to try and help resolve the vandalism problems.

MO thought that the Mortimer Hall Recreation Ground looked great with loads of children and parents enjoying themselves.

NB stated that there had been no official notice about transport cuts, but all subsidies are meant to be stopping 20<sup>th</sup> July

MH did a traffic survey on the 4<sup>th</sup> July between 7:30am and 9:30am on the Oxford Road coming from the village. Cars/vans 750, Cyclists 103, Motorbikes 6, Large Lorries 2, Buses 2. 58 vehicles coming out of the village.

JB informed people about the Marston medical Centre merging with Bury Knowle Medical Centre and that they were looking for more suitable premises within the Marston area,

NB & PW asked if County Council survey figures can be seen,

AT stated the new bench at the Mortimer Drive bus top has been installed and should prove very useful.

Meeting ended: 21:20

**Date of Next Meeting:** Parish Council meeting Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2016 in Mortimer Hall at 7:30pm.