

Minutes of Old Marston Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 5th March 2013, 7.30pm at Mortimer Hall

Present:

Charlie Haynes (Chairman) (CH)
Duncan Hatfield (Vice-Chairman) (DH)
Peter Cox (PC)
Roy Jones. (RJ)
Patricia Hall (PH)
Michael O'Keefe (MOK)
Peter Sarac (PS)
Michael Cadd (MC)
Barrie Lewis (BL)
Peter Williams (PW)

Caroline Duffy
City Councillor Mick Haines (MH)
City Councillor Mary Clarkson
8 members of the public

1. Requests from Members of the Public to speak

Elaine Bennett attended the regarding the forthcoming fireworks display at the Red Lion Pub, as advertisement in the Oxford Mail. This event would be a good opportunity to raise money for the Pavilion Building Project. The Committee agreed and CH will speak to Marston Saints.

ACTION: CH to liaise with Marston Saints to arrange people with collection buckets to attend this event.

2. Apologies for absence

None

3. Minutes of the meeting on 5th February 2013

The minutes of the meeting on 5th February were approved with one amendment to the item re: the Recreation Ground.

4. Matters Arising

5. Correspondence

CH presented the below table of communications, and members were asked to advise him of any letters/emails they wished to see.

	Sender	Agenda item	Subject
a	Clerk to Kate Stratford	9	Update on NI contributions
b	HMRC	9	Real Time
c	Rural Services Network		Update
d	Ross Cockburn O City C	11	Tree in Salford Road
e	Shaun Hatton O City C	11	Various – potholes, verges, road issues
f	Maria Ilett	12	Library plaque wording
g	Clerk to David Tole	11b	Parking issues
h	G Smith to Chairman, clerk reply	11b	Parking issues
i	Rural services Network		Newsletter
j	City Councillor Clarkson		Certificate of honour nomination
k	OALC		Training
l	Fields in Trust		Newsletter

m	Oxon Green Belt Network		Subscription
n	Elaine Bennett		Minutes query
o	Funding central		Newsletter
p	Fields in trust		Newsletter
q	Mike Bagshaw	9	Thanks for grant from Scout group
r	Oxford CC		Sites and Housing plan update
S	FoOMPA	9	Return of balance of account
t	Vector Designs	9	Fee proposal confirmation
u	Adrian Wood O City C	9	Council tax precept update
v	Jane Plant		Request for publicity
w	Franklins Solicitors	11a	Contract Back Lane
x	Old Marston Wives Club	9	Thanks for grant
y	Balliol College		Community bulk buying scheme

ACTION: CH to provide copies of letters X and X to RJ.

6. Planning

The following planning applications were discussed with no objections:

13/00136/CT3 Oxford City Football Ground, Court Place Farm, Marston. Erection of 2 x non-illuminated free standing signs, at the entrance of the football ground.

13/00194/FUL Korei Ngatahi, 14 Elsfield Road. Erection of 1.8m high close board timber fence to boundaries.

The Committee noted the following decisions:

18 Gordon Close – withdrawn

6 Windsor Crescent – approved

4 Boults Lane – pending

141 Oxford Road – pending

7. Boults Lane Development Project

The Steering Committee of the Boults Lane Development Project met on 25/02/2013. CW attended the meeting. On behalf of the Parish Council, and a representative of Oxford City Council was also in attendance.

A proposal was made that Oxford City Council would contribute £2.5-3million towards the development. Oxford Bridge Club, who wish to move premises, have expressed an interest in making a contribution.

8. Recreation Ground

No update

9. Finance

The bank account balances as of DD/MM/YYYY are as follows:

Current Account	£
Reserve Account	£

The following payments are to be made:

Caroline Duffy	Salary February 2013	518.40
Get On-Line Ltd	Broadband service domain registration	132.00
Caroline Duffy	Phone, heating, lighting Feb 2013	35.00
Charlie Haynes	Phone/Broadband Feb 2013	20.00
Get On-Line Ltd	Website hosting	174.00
Wise Serve	Email authorisation, Chairman	20.00
Wise Serve	Chairman's Pc	45.60
OALC	Annual subscription	631.94
Thames Water	Cemetery standpipe	9.20
Clyde and Co	VAT payment	77.40

Income:

Burial fee	Mr DJ Washington	550.00
FoOMPA	Refund of balance in account	953.81

10. Burial Ground

The Committee agreed that the Burial Ground protocol needs reviewing. CH & PC to review and bring proposed updated protocol for approval by the Committee. In the meantime the existing protocol applies.

ACTION: CH & PC to review the Burial Ground Protocol

11. Highways

Back Lane update

The application to have adverse possession of the Back Lane is going ahead. Franklins Solicitors charge is £600 for their services.

Parking issues

NB noted continuous parking issues on the service road and junctions leading to the Oxford Road and Marston Road. This is likely to be Brookes students/staff and people who work at the John Radcliffe Hospital.

RJ noted that the parking issues have been raised at NAG meetings – the Police are unable to do anything and it concluded that it is Oxfordshire County Council's responsibility to address this.

MH proposed to start a petition against Brookes/Hospital staff and students parking in the area.

Oxford City Council representative will pass the details of the Oxford Brookes student liaison officer to CH – it may be worth raising the issues.

12. Library

The Committee agreed the following wording for the plaque as suggested by Maria Ilett Negotiations continue with Oxfordshire County Council regarding staffing of the Library. So far only 1 volunteer has come forward.

13. Allotments

No items.

14. Website

No items

15. Information sharing

The precept has been accepted by Oxford City Council – see email from Andria Wood for more detail

16. Any other business

Litter Picking

DH thanked the litter-pickers for their efforts on Saturday 2nd March. A total of 30 bags of litter were collected. Good team effort.

Website

DH noted that he has updated with website with some photographs, and requested that Committee members or members of the public send any photographs for the website to him for uploading.

School Lane - hedges

PH noted that Dennis Ward will be in the area cutting hedges and suggested that he also cut the hedges along School Lane which are over grown - agreed by the Committee.

17. Date of next meeting: Tuesday 2nd April 2013, 7.30pm at Mortimer Hall