Minutes of Old Marston Parish Council Meeting 6th May 2014 at 7:30pm.

Present:

Parish Council

 $Charlie\ Haynes\ (CH)\ -\ Chairman \qquad \quad Duncan\ Hatfield\ (DH)\ -\ Vice\ -Chairman$

Patricia Hall (PH) Michael Cadd (MC)
Angie Tiwari (AT) Michael O'Keefe (MO)
Nils Bartleet (NB) Tim Cann (Clerk)

City Council

Cllr Mary Clarkson (M)

County Council

None.

CH advised the Council that sadly Roy Jones had passed away. There was a few moments silence to reflect and in respect of Roy. CH proposed sending a wreath or if no flowers a donation. All Agreed.

CH then informed the Council that because of this the Parish Council elections on the 22nd May 2014 have been cancelled. The clerk informed the elections officer of the Oxford City Council who said that the law states in a situation such as this the scheduled election is to be cancelled. A new election is to be organised and as soon as the date has been set this will be advertised.

Members of the Public: 4

14/05/01 Apologies for Absence

ACTIONS

Barrie Lewis Peter Sarac, Peter Cox, Peter Williams

14/05/2 Minutes of the last meeting held on 1st April were approved. All Agreed.

14/05/3 Requests from members of the public to speak: NONE

14/05/4 Matters Arising (omitting those for which an agenda heading follows)

No Items.

14/05/5 Correspondence

Letter from Mike Clarke re litter bin outside Harlow Centre

Email from Mary Clarkson re litter bin outside Harlow Centre

Newsletter from Rural Services Network 7 April

Email from Mary Clarkson re overhanging vegetation in Oxford Road

Signed by the Chairman.

Newsletter from Rural Services Network 14 April

Newsletter from Rural Services Network 28 April

Email from John Batey & Mary Clarkson re traffic issues

14/05/6 Planning

Applications to be decided

14/00322/FUL – Land adjacent to 19 Park Way – Erection of 1 x 2 bed dwelling house (Class C3). Provision of vehicle and cycle parking, bin storage and amenity space. – **NO OBJECTION.**

14/01020/FUL – 125 Oxford Road – Erection of two storey rear extension. – **NO OBJECTION.**

14/01065/CT4 – 4 Fairfax Avenue – Erection of single storey extension to rear elevation. – CONCERN OVER PLANS SUBMITTED. THE GROUND FLOOR PLAN LOOKS LIKE TWO PROPERTIES WHICH GIVES THE IMPRESSION IT IS A HMO.

14/01053/FUL – 111 Oxford Road – Erection of a porch to the front elevation – **NO OBJECTION.**

Applications considered between meetings: None

Decisions:

14/00032/LBC - 15 Mill Lane - APPROVED

Awaiting Decisions:

14/00533/FUL - 66 Elms Drive

14/00686/FUL - 147 Oxford Road

14/00683/FUL - 50 Oxford Road

14/00137/FUL - 56 Marsh Lane - (Amended)

14/00611/FUL - Mill Lane Allotments

14/05/7 Boults Lane Development Project

CH proposed that when the new pavilion has been built it should be named the "Roy Garner Pavilion" in respect of the past clerk's long service as Parish Clerk and his enthusiasm and commitment in getting the new pavilion project started. Seconded MC. All in favour.

CH informed the council that unfortunately we have not been successful in obtaining a grant from Sport England. He felt that the fundraiser has not been as active as he would of hoped. She had only applied to Sport England! After some discussion it was agreed by all to terminate using Anna Weston and for the clerk to take this on as a separate

Signed by the Chairman.

function. DH said that we need to run this past OALC to make sure there was no conflict of interests or anything. CH agreed.

14/05/8 Recreation Ground

CH informed the Council that three quotes had been received with regards to the ground maintenance. Gavin Jones £3740 plus VAT, Kamalara £4454 plus VAT and White Horse £5728 plus VAT. The work had been given to Gavin Jones.

14/05/9 Finance

a. Bank balance as at 28/04/2014 – current account £34,113.19
 business reserve account £18,724.52
 Newbury Building Society Account £200,000.00

Petty Cash balance £44.58

The following accounts to be paid:

| | £ Incl. VAT |
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| Charlie Haynes (Phone/broadband April 2014) | 20.00 |
| Clerks Pay Including Expenses – April 2014.Details in correspondinutes book. | ndence file and displayed in the |
| Petty Cash | 200.00 |
| R. Cox (Cemetery Maintenance March 2014) | 240.00 |
| Screwfix (New Mower for cemetery) | 249.99 |
| MP Security (Pavilion Alarm) | 91.08 |
| Oxford City Council (Cemetery Refuse Collection) | 68.30 |
| Oxford Greenbelt Network (Membership) | 15.00 |
| Authsmtp (Software Renewal) | 20.00 |
| Computer Assistance (Repair to Chairman's Computer) | 185.00 |

$Income \ -$

| HMRC (VAT Return Oct – Dec 2013) | 1692.24 |
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| Oxford City Council (1st 2014/15 precept) | 31,282.50 |

- **b.** BDO & End of year audit: the clerk is getting everything together to pass to the Auditor. Due to the rescheduling of the elections this may not be reviewed until the July meeting.
- **c.** New draft financial regulations have been received from the NALC. Again due to the rescheduling of the elections these may not be reviewed until the July meeting.
- **d.** The Council's membership to the ORCC (Oxfordshire Rural Communities Council) is due for renewal. After some discussion it was agreed to renew. Apparently we did not pay for last year's membership, although we did receive the services so it was agreed to pay £65 x 2 = £130.
- e. CH, TC and Dennis Ward signed the agreement regarding the paddock.

14/05/10 Burial Ground

CH informed the council that the Oxford City Council had increased their burial fees and that the Parish Council needed to review theirs also. This would be for the new Council to set.

14/05/11 Highways

a. CH reported that he had finally made contact with David Tole, from the Oxfordshire County Council, and a meeting with him has been set for Monday 9th June 2014 at 12:00 at the Boults Lane Sports pavilion. Oxford City Councillors Mick Haines and Mary Clarkson, County Councillor Mark Lygo and all of the Parish Councillors have been invited to attend. After this a public meeting will be arranged so that parishioners can see what is being proposed and voice their opinions.

14/05/12 Library : No Items.

14/05/13 Allotments: No items.

14/05/14 Website

DH asked for an obituary to be written for Roy Jones so that he can put on the website. DH informed the Council that we now have a Twitter account and already have ten followers.

14/05/15 Information Sharing

CH said that he had taken note of the various hanging vegetation and reported to the County Council on their website and was surprised to see that some of the work has already been done.

CH said that two requests to contribute towards the purchase of trees have been received and that once it has been determined how many trees are wanted and where they are to be planted.

AT said that there was overhanging vegetation and the grass needed cutting along the cycle track. CH advised that this was County Council responsibility. M made note.

AT asked if another litter bin is needed at the Mortimer Drive bus stop.

PH said that another litter bin is needed at the new Cherwell Drive bus stop. CH advised this was outside the parish. M made note.

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 3rd June 2014, 7:30pm at Mortimer Hall.