

Minutes of Old Marston Parish Council Meeting 1st October 2013 at 7:30pm.

Present:

Parish Council

Charlie Haynes (CH)

Duncan Hatfield (DH)

Angie Tiwari (AT)

Barrie Lewis (BL)

Peter Williams (PW)

Roy Jones (RJ)

Patricia Hall (PH)

Michael Cadd (MC)

Michael O’Keefe (MO)

Tim Cann (Clerk)

City Council

Mick Haines (MH)

County Council

Mark Lygo (ML)

Members of the Public 4:

13/10/01 Apologies for Absence

Nils Bartleet

Peter Cox

Peter Sarac

City Councillor Mary Clarkson

ACTIONS

13/10/2 Minutes of the last meeting held on 3rd September were approved after amending RJ’s comment in Information Sharing. Unanimous.

13/10/3 Requests from members of the public to speak

No requests received.

13/10/4 Matters Arising (omitting those for which an agenda heading follows)

NONE.

13/10/5 Correspondence

OCVA – Training & Events Update

Laura Goddard – Oxford City Council – Jericho Canal side Site

Signed by the Chairman.

Oxford City Council – Jericho Canal side Supplementary Planning Document

Rural Services Network – 10 Sept newsletter

PSMA User Representative Group Email

Fields in Trust – September update

NALC – Putting Communities First

Rural Services Network - 16 Sept newsletter

106 Money email – Barton Development

13/10/6 Planning

Applications to be decided

13/02187/VAR – 5 Windsor Crescent – No Objection

13/02238/FUL – 12 Elsfeld Road – No Objection

13/02395/ADV – The Red Lion – No Objection

Applications considered between meetings

None

Decisions:

13/01767/LBC- Church Farm - APPROVED

13/01744/FUL – 19 Park Way - APPROVED

13/02011/CPU – Hill View Farm - REFUSED

13/01680/FUL –19A Oxford Road - APPROVED

Awaiting Decisions:

13/01802/FUL – 15 Mortimer Drive

13/1796/FUL – 34 Mill Lane

13/02097/FUL – 1 Nicholas Avenue

13/02125/FUL – 113 Oxford Road

13/01955/VAR – 5 Windsor Crescent

13/02004/FUL – 4 Mortimer Drive

13/02005/FUL – 2 Mortimer Drive

13/010/7 Boulds Lane Development Project

CH reported that the paperwork is coming back from Vector Design and once confirmed the fundraiser will be brought on board. She will be invited to a future Parish Council meeting but told the Council that she had a good track record of raising funds for project such as this.

Signed by the Chairman.

CH asked if ML, MH and M could do a letter of support for grant applications, M was not present, both ML and MH said they would. ML asked if information of each applications could be sent to them so they had an idea of what was being asked for.

13/10/8 Recreation Ground

- a. The picnic table is still well used but an increase in litter. CH suggested putting on the January/February agenda to look at. All Agreed
- b. Tree Inspection: TC had spoken to Ian Haynes, the new man at the Oxford City Council, who promised this would be with us in the next two weeks.
- c. Maintenance Contract: The Kamalara invoice has been sent to the City Council, pricings omitted, a quote has been received but as it was not like for like difficult to compare.
- d. ROSPA Report: TC reported to the Council that as a couple of the equipment was still in warranty which meant any work done on them would not be charged by Playground Ltd., he suggested we went with their quote. Plus the Oxford City Council had not replied to a request for a quote. CH reported that it would need to appear in the minutes that the Council was wavering the Financial Regulation of getting three quotes. CH proposed. RJ Seconded. All in favour.

13/10/9 Old Marston Parish Firework Display

Will take place Saturday 9th November at 8:30pm. The Council are providing £2,000 towards the fireworks, Denis Ward is providing the bonfire material and straw bales and the Red Lion are responsible for Health & Safety and giving away toffee apples, sparklers. MC was concerned about giving sparklers to young children. CH said that the Council gives the money to The Red Lion, any health and safety responsibilities rest with The Red Lion.

13/10/10 Finance

- a. Bank balance as at 23/09/2013 –
current account £37,311.96
business reserve account £168,660.74

The following accounts to be paid:

	£
	Incl. VAT
Oxon County Council : Clerks Pension (September 2013)	130.87
Mrs R. Cox (Cemetery Maintenance August 2013)	240.00
Ms R. Slatford (Accounts August 2013)	100.00

Signed by the Chairman.

Vector Design (New Pavilion)	3622.32
Acacia Landscaping (Hedge Cutting)	990.00
Mr D. Hook (Installation of Picnic Table)	850.28
Lyreco	164.08
Total Pest Control (Quarterly Charge)	390.00
Wiseserve Ltd	45.60
Charlie Haynes Phone/broadband September 2013	20.00
Clerks Pay Including Expenses - September 2013. Clerks Pay Including Expenses in correspondence file and displayed in the minutes book.	- Details in
The Garden (Rachel Slatford's Flowers)	40.00

Income –

Dignity S & R Childs (Mr A Wood internment) 400.00

- b. CH reported that there had been some confusion as it wasn't clear that the clerk had provided information from Natwest and Nationwide. He wasn't happy to open another account with a different company. CH & TC to re look at Natwest

TC

- c. The Expenditure v Budget was presented to the Council. No Comments.

13/10/11 Burial Ground

PH said some graves in the new section are cluttered. AT agreed. CH reported that it was difficult to enforce as it was such a delicate subject. PH stated that compared to 15 years ago the actual cemetery was amazing, she remembered the grass being waist high.

13/10/12 Highways

Overhanging vegetation – Cherwell Drive – Done

Overhanging vegetation – Horseman Close - Done.

Wall damage by tree on grass verge – Raymund Road – Pending.

13/10/13 Library

Signed by the Chairman.

Nothing to report.

13/10/14 Allotments

Nothing to Report.

13/10/15 Website

Nothing to Report.

13/10/16 Nominations

Information sheet detailing of agreed at last meeting given to each Councillor

13/10/17 Clerks Job Description & Contract & Clerks Appraisal

CH reported that the contract and job description was still with the Legal Advisor for final amendments. The clerks appraisal was discussed and afterwards CH suggested that CH and PW do the appraisal this time but possibly rotate it with other councillors next time.

13/10/18 Information Sharing

RJ said that congratulations were needed to the Parish Council and Stagecoach for keeping bus users informed of the changes during St Giles Fair.

TC to contact Stagecoach thanking them.

TC

RJ reported that the Mortimer Hall Management Committee had said no to the Council using the main hall during term time, unless it was after 8PM as it was hired out to the St Johns Ambulance. TC to contact Chris Crane when date(s) of any public meetings had been set for a decision to be made then. After some discussion CH proposed that CH and TC write to hall committee expressing their disappointment.

CH also proposed that future venue be put on the agenda for the November meeting.

TC

AT reported that there was no lighting down the school lane leading to the Harlow Centre. CH asked MH if he could take this up with the relevant City Council department.

MC reported overhanging vegetation on the hedge boundary with the allotments and Coldthorn farm. CH asked if Denis Ward could action.

TC

RJ said about overhanging vegetation on phone box in village. Denis Ward to do.

PH said about hedge down the school lane running into the parks.

TC already has this in hand.

TC

PW said that the grass cutters do not cut Pond Lane, when he spoke to the cutting gang they told him they only cut what is marked on their map.

TC to get copy of map City Council uses.

TC

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 5th November 2013, 7:30pm at Mortimer Hall.

Signed by the Chairman.