

Minutes of Old Marston Parish Council Meeting 6th October 2015 at 7:30pm.

Present:

Parish Council

Charlie Haynes (CH) - Chairman	Duncan Hatfield (DH) – Vice-Chairman
Patricia Hall (PH)	Michael Cadd (MC)
Nils Bartleet (NB)	Angie Tiwari (AT)
John Batey (JB)	Peter Cox (PC)
Peter Williams (PW)	Tony Greenfield (TG)
Michael O’Keefe (MO)	Tim Cann (Clerk)

City Council

Cllr Mick Haines (MH)	Cllr Mary Clarkson (M)
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Members of the Public : 4

CH asked if anyone intended to record the proceedings of the meeting. None.

CH asked Councillors to declare any prejudicial interests. None

15/10/01 Apologies for Absence: Cllr Barrie Lewis & Mark Lygo **ACTION**

15/10/02 Minutes of the meeting held on 1st September: Approved

15/10/03 Matters Arising (omitting those for which an agenda heading follows). None.

15/10/04 Requests from members of the public to speak : None.

15/10/05 Defibrillators Dick Tracey from South Central Ambulance Service gave a brief talk, demonstration and answered questions.

15/10/06 Planning

Applications to be decided

15/02476/FUL – Oxford City FC – Erection of spectator stand to provide 150 additional seats in North East corner – concern over overdevelopment and with parking issues on site and surrounding area.

APP/G3110/D/15/3132709 – 2 Mortimer Drive – Parish Council previous comment: Overdevelopment of site. The Clerk made the Council aware that this had previously been refused but was being appealed against, they therefore had the opportunity to withdraw their previous comment if they so wished. All agreed comment stands.

Applications considered between meetings:- NONE

Decisions:

15/02036/FUL –4 Boults Close – APPROVED

15/01815/FUL – 5 Boults Lane – APPROVED

15/01862/FUL – 17A Oxford Road – APPROVED

15/02159/FUL – 43 Elms Drive – APPROVED

15/00210/FUL – Land adjacent 147 Oxford Road – REFUSED

15/01221/FUL – 19 Arlington Drive – REFUSED

Signed by the Chairman.

15/02009/FUL – 1 Fane Road - APPROVED

Awaiting Decisions:

15/01663/FUL – 41 Oxford Road

15/02373/FUL – The Victoria Arms Pub

15/02282/OUT – The Jack Russell Pub

15/10/07 Recreation Ground

- a. TG went through the Recreation Grounds Committee minutes, including the ROSPA report. TG proposed recommendations accepted. DH seconded. All in favour.
- b. CH declared an interest. He informed the meeting that a tree near the boundary of Boult's Lane was leaning badly and that it needed urgent attention as it was leaning towards the houses in Horsman Close. JB proposed we get it looked at and take whatever action needed ASAP. PW seconded. All in favour.
- c. Tree Survey to be carried out.

15/10/08 Firework Display

Confirmation that The Red Lion has asked to host the event this year.

15/10/09 Defibrillators

The Clerk ran through the Marston Saints grant application. PW suggested if looking at more than one then we should look at the Parish as a whole. It was decided not to give Marston Saints FC a grant for a defibrillator but to install one on the outside of the Mortimer Hall. PW proposed one at the Mortimer Hall and one in Salford Road area. Seconded MC. All in favour.

15/10/10 NAG Meeting

TG informed the meeting that travellers are on the Victoria Arms track. Crime is on the whole decreasing for the Old Marston area, however people should still be security and safety aware.

15/10/11 Finance

- a. Bank balance as at 29/09/2015 –
Current Account £34,801.28 Business Reserve Account £18,737.73
Newbury Building Society Account £241,315.07 Petty Cash balance -£2.98

The following accounts to be paid:

	£ Incl. VAT
Came & Co (Insurance)	2595.35
Mr T. Cann (Mileage for SLCC Conference)	59.85
Total Pest Control Ltd (Quarterly Charge)	390.00
Anthony Stiff Associates (March – Aug 2015)	2592.00

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BGG Garden & Tree Care Ltd (Rec. & Cemetery August)	427.20
Charlie Haynes (Phone/BB Service September 2015)	20.00
Clerk's Pay including expenses, pension, Tax etc. – September 2015	
Marston Church Properties Ltd (1 Hr Room Hire)	12.50
Staples (Stationery & CH Paper)	66.43
Petty Cash	200.00
Collins Debden Ltd (Chairman's 2016 Diary Refile)	23.75
Petty Cash Expenditure:-	
MRH Retail Cherwell (Cemetery Petrol)	20.62
Staples (Stationery & Chairman's Ink)	29.57
Mr T. Greenfield (Councillors Photographs)	6.61
Keypit Security (New Padlock on Boults Lane Barrier)	45.00
Post Office (Stamps)	54.00
Wilko (R. Jones Ceremony – Table Cloths, napkins)	20.00
INCOME :-	
Oxford City Council (2 nd Half Precept)	31,282.50

JB suggested having totals for each section, cheque expenditure, Petty Cash expenditure and income.

- b.** NB informed the Council that he had completed the first quarter internal accounts review and was completely happy with the findings.

15/10/12 Cemetery

PC went through the Cemetery Committee minutes, including the fee increases. MC proposed accepting Committee's recommendations. MO seconded. All in favour. DH asked if expert opinion was needed to review the safety aspects of gravestones as what looks safe may not be. CH felt PC and himself had enough knowledge of the cemetery to know what was needed.

15/10/13 Committees

CH stated that himself, JB and the Clerk had met regarding the insurance renewal and at this meeting the Clerk pointed out that the Council was underinsured with regard to the building cover. It was suggested to increase the building cover from

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£150,000 to £500,000 so the Clerk needs to get a new renewal quote. It was also suggested that we should try and get two further quotes as a comparison. Came & Co £2,595.35, AON no response, Zurich advised they could not quote while the Council was still in a 3 year contract. Bridle Insurance could not match Came & Co.
JB proposed accepting Came & Co. CH seconded. All in favour.

15/10/14 Highways

a. Transport Report

NB advised that meeting was not good, person in charge of transport at County no longer working for Council, budget cut affecting services across the County.

b. Marston Ferry Link Road Mound

AT proposed that the Clerk should write to the County Council asking for the mound to be removed. JB thought, due to safety aspect, either remove or make more gaps. Seconded JB. All in favour.

15/10/15 Website, Facebook, Twitter & Streetlife

CH thanked TG for photographs. DH said that the Government was encouraging all local Councils to have an online presence and so as far as that was concerned we were very much 21st Century.

15/10/16 Information Sharing (including correspondence)

Parking Survey was discussed and a separate meeting will be arranged with David Tole invited.

PW talked about the Oxford Half Marathon and the problems caused by the change of route. M said the marathon had been taken over by new people and a lot of people across the City were not happy.

TG asked about the flooding of Mortimer Hall recreation ground. CH advised still waiting from Whitehorse.

MC talked about tree outside Whitehart badly leaning. CH to report online.

Oxford Half Marathon Road Closures

Rural Services Network – Spotlight on Rural Health

Rural Services Network - Spotlight on Young People in Rural areas

Rural Services Network – Digest 1 September

Rural Services Network – Opportunities Bulletin

Rural Services Network– Digest 7 September

Rural Services Network – Vulnerability Services

Rural Services Network – Digest 15 September

Rural Services Network – Rural Transport September

Rural Services Network – Digest 21 September

Rural Services Network – 28 September

OALC Members Update September 2015

Clerks & Councils Direct

Meeting Closed 21:27

Date of Next Meeting: Parish Council meeting Tuesday 3rd November 2015 in Mortimer Hall at 7:30pm.

Signed by the Chairman.