

DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on August 28th.1991

Present:-

Councillors Oddy, Clarke, O'Brien, Reed, Clinch, Canning, Todd, Mrs Lee, Mrs Swash, Miss Hill, Bowen and Mrs Stevens.

200 Apologies for Absence:-Councillors Mace, and Mrs Garvey.

201 Appointment of Chairman:- In the absence due to sickness of the Chairman the Vice Chairman, Councillor Oddy, took the Chair.

202 Minutes of Meeting held on 24th July, 1991.

The Minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman.

203 Matters Arising.

With reference to Minute 198 it was agreed that Councillor Canning should determine the site for the donated tree.

204 Chairman's Report.

The Vice Chairman read a report from the Chairman regarding his meeting with the Chairman and Officers of the County Council. Mr Sykes spoke regarding the Social Services Dept. and indicated that there would be less residential care for children and a greater emphasis upon fostering. Similarly with the elderly more home care rather than residential homes would be preferred. A liaison contact with the Department would be established in each village. Mrs Crouch spoke on the current views regarding Education in the County and Mr Carritt re Highways. The Bicester depot would still be responsible for minor works in Deddington.

It was also reported that a date was to be arranged for a meeting with surveyors regarding Low Cost Housing.

205 Windmill Management Committee.

Further to Minute 196 it was reported that Cr. O'Brien had agreed to be Chairman of this Committee for the next six months. Cr. Clarke was appointed as the second Council representative.

206 Environment Sub-Committee Report.

(a) Village Steward. Cr O'Brien had produced a paper in this matter and it was agreed that it should be circulated to each member and be discussed in detail at the next meeting.

(b) Bottle Banks. These were still proving a problem and it was suggested that a mesh basket be provided for the empty boxes and a base for the banks.

(c) Street Lighting. The Clerk was asked to make enquiries as to the position regarding adoption by the County Council.

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(d) Post Advisory Committee. The Chairman reported that she had raised the matter of the need for a larger post box outside the Post Office and was informed that the matter would be kept under review. She had also enquired as to why the only public Telephone Box in the centre of the village was operated by Phonecards.

(e) Featherton House. It was reported that in recent alterations at this property certain replacement external pipes are white and detract from the street scene. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk write to the owners requesting that the pipes be painted black.

(f) Traffic. It was reported that there had been a significant increase in heavy traffic through the village and this matter would be raised with the County at the forthcoming meeting.

(g) Parking. Further matters to be raised with the County Engineer would include the condition of the verge outside the Chinese Restaurant and the Holcombe layby.

(h) Castle Grounds. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk instruct Mr Boss to cut down the nettles along the access to Castle Grounds.

207 Grants Sub-Committee Report.

(a) Deddington Players App.No 21.

It was reported that the applicants had agreed to the conditions set by the Council and it was **RESOLVED** that the grant be made.

(b) Deddington Beeches Bowls Club App.No 8.

A further application had been received in addition to that referred to in Minute 195(d) in respect of an automatic sprinkler installation at an approximate cost of £6,000. It was **RESOLVED** that the Club be asked to obtain three quotations for the sprinklers and that the area of the green be marked out on the field.

(c) Deddington Cricket Club. App.No 4.

A letter from the Club was read to the meeting indicating their displeasure at the decision made on their application in comparison with other decisions. **RESOLVED** that in respect of the major items of equipment in addition to a 50% grant the balance of cost be met from a Council loan.

208 Planning Sub-Committee Report.

App. CHN.144/91 Erection of detached dwelling and garage adjacent to Deddington Mill.

Notification of appeal to be determined by written statements. Clerk to obtain copy of decision letter but no further comments to be made.

App. CHN.413/91 Erection of garage and porch etc.1, Windmill Close. No observations.

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App. CHN.279/91 Erection of detached house and garage - land adjacent to Castle End, Castle Street. Copy of conditions of planning approval to be forwarded to adjacent residents.

209 Investment of Council Funds.

The Clerk reported that there had been no change from the rates of interest reported in Minute 199.

210 Community Bus.

The Clerk submitted a summary of the replies received to the questionnaire from 18 parishioners. **RESOLVED** that the Chairman approach a named person with regard to him being appointed organiser and that should he agree the method of acquisition be discussed and reported to Council.

211 Correspondence.

(a) Letter from Mrs Caporn requesting the installation of a water supply to the Cemetery. **RESOLVED** that the Clerk obtain a quotation from Thames Water Utilities.

(b) Letter from Barford United Football Club relating to the use of the Windmill football pitch. **RESOLVED** that the matter be referred to the Windmill Management Committee.

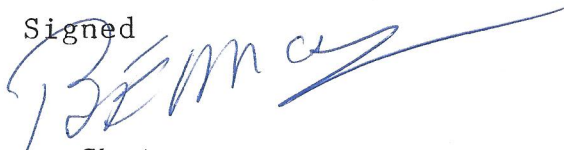
212 RESOLVED that the following accounts be passed for payment:-

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Southern Electric	Lighting Town Hall	13.94
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Public Works Loan Board	½yrly annuity - Cemetery	106.98
Cherwell D.C.	Non-Dom. Rate- Town Hall	151.19
Freefields Flowers	Wreath late Ray Garvey	20.00
Alan Healey	Cleaning - July, 1991	14.00
John Boss	Grass cutting etc. August	224.00
Deddington Players	Grant	3,500.00

213 Date of next meeting

Wednesday, 25th September, 1991 at 7.15pm.

Signed



Chairman

25th. September, 1991.