

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 26th FEBRUARY 1986

Present: Councillors Ward (Chairman), Mrs Cheeseman, Fenemore, Gardner, Garrett, Hayward, O'Neill, Mrs Robinson, Stevens, Webber and George.

1. Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Fuller and Garvey and Mr A. Gardner (Parish Clerk).
2. Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 22nd January 1986, which had been previously circulated, were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman with two amendments. Item 8 Windmill Centre - the wording was rephrased to say that the District Valuer was having difficulty fixing a valuation on Phase II and the words "until Planning permission had been received" were deleted. Councillor Mrs Robinson requested that the voting count taken on the planning application for Leadenporch Farm at the last meeting be recorded in the minutes.
3. Matters arising from the Minutes

3(a) Possible Public Meeting. A letter from from the C.D.C. was read stating the willingness of Officers and Members of the Council to attend a meeting to answer questions on the planning application for Leadenporch Farm. The Chairman reported that he had provisionally made arrangements for this to happen on Wednesday evening the 5th March. It was agreed to go ahead with this and a time of 8 pm. at the Windmill Community Centre was set. Mrs Robinson offered to arrange for some posters to be displayed.

Playgroup Fence. Our architect has taken up this matter with the fencing contractors and in the meantime payment of the account is being withheld.

Bridleway off Clifton Road. A C.C.C. reply to the question of the dumping and rolling of hardcore was read but Councillor Gardner and some other councillors were still not satisfied on the matter. It was resolved that there was little further action that the Parish Council could take.

Tays Gateway The owner of the stones obstructing this road offered his apologies and hoped that the insurance claim and the appointment of a contractor would soon solve the problem. Councillors reported that work had actually started.

Town Hall Repairs It was reported that Mr Franklin has now carried out this work and the account is awaited.

The Grove An improvement in the obstruction of the Grove was reported.

Footways The C.C.C. have assured the Council that the blue bricks recovered from Chapel Square will be used again; some for reinstatement in Church Street.

4. Items of Correspondence:

A423 Toilets The C.D.C. have written to say that following our letter they are persuing this matter with the Dept. of Transport.

Sale of Stonepit C.D.C. report that this sale was completed on the 20th February 1986 in the sum of £4,755. The balance after sale expenses has been deducted from our recent loan.

Electricity Supply Emergencies We need to appoint a new liaison officer now that Councillor Garrett has moved to Hempton. No immediate nomination was made and it is hoped that we can ask one of the Market Square shopkeepers to take the office.

Oxfordshire Playing Fields Association letter offering help was passed on to the Windmill Community Centre Committee.

Buses in Rural Areas half-day conference on 19th April at Oxford Polytechnic was notified and entry forms made available.

4. Items of Correspondence Continued

Earls Lane parking A letter was read from the Sub. Officer of Deddington Fire Service regarding the obstruction by parked cars on both sides of Earls Lane. Resolved to write to the O.C.C. for advice on this problem.

Boundary Commission Papers concerning the boundary review in the C.D.C. area were made available to Councillors.

5. B4031 and possible traffic restrictions Part of a letter from Mr R. Berridge was read to the Meeting reporting that the matter had now been upgraded by the County Council to "Medium Priority" and that they were satisfied with the arrangements being made for an "Origin & Destination Survey"- the next step. Correspondence provided by Group Capt. J.C. Marmion revealed that the O.C.C. were keeping a careful watch^{on} Dept. of Transport's selection of routes for constructors traffic for the M40 and also the situation further east where Northamptonshire C.C. were considering an upgrading of part of the B4031 between Finmere and the A43.
6. Best Kept Village Competition for 1986 It was proposed by Councillor Mrs J. Cheeseman and seconded by Councillor R Stevens and carried that the village be entered for this competition. Arrangements for an organising committee will be made at the March meeting.
7. Windmill Centre Councillor Mrs M. Robinson reported that the transfer to the new centre was now complete and the users very pleased with the Centre. There was a slight problem with condensation from the roof and it was hoped that this would soon be resolved by the contractor responsible. The costs were within the budget with perhaps a little to spare. The District Valuer had now provided some figures regarding Phase II and negotiations were being made with Rockwell and the O.C.C.
8. Planning applications
- Two dwellings in Earls Lane (Outline). No objection.
 - Alterations at Manor Farm House, Clifton. Recommended.
 - Reopening of farm access at Hempton. No objection but suggest Committee refer to any conditions placed upon it's earlier closure.
 - Detail plans for bungalow in Hempton. No objection.
 - Holcombe Hotel Extension. Recommended.
 - Replacement of conservatory roof at Corner Cottage, Hempton. No objection.
 - Erection of 52 dwellings off Hempton Road. The Council object to this application because they feel that preference should be given to the existing proposal for development on the Windmill site in view of the Community interest.

9. Accounts for payment were passed as follows:-

M.P. Weatherhead	Windmill Centre electrical work	138.25
Gopak Ltd.	" " tables	608.99
Mrs J. Cheeseman	" " bar brickwork	50.00
Bodigian & Co. Ltd.	" " carpets	1379.78
Mark Crofts	" " decorating	160.00
S. E. B.	Town Hall	10.11
B. W. Bond	Windmill Centre supervision	125.00
O. C. C.	Castle Grounds grass cutting 1985	307.65

The Meeting closed at 9.17 pm. with thanks being accorded to Councillor R. Gardner for the work he has rendered over many years, this being his last meeting.