

DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL-10th JULY, 1991

Present:

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

187 Apologies for Absence: Cr. Todd

188 The Late Ray Garvey

The Chairman spoke of the loss felt by the village by his untimely death and gratefully acknowledged his work for the Parish. The Council stood in silence in respect.

189 Strategy for Expending and Policy for the Management of the "Trust" Money including the Interest earned thereon.

Most members contributed to the discussions and in connection with the Strategy for expending the capital and interest it was RESOLVED that:

(a) reasonable steps should be taken to maintain the purchasing power of the capital

(b) expenditure which enhanced Council assets should be met from the capital sum and grants to outside bodies should be a charge against the accumulated interest.

(c) revenue costs of Council projects to be met from the interest accumulated.

Matters referred to included:

greater availability of small grants,
Grants Sub-C'ttee to investigate Council Capital Projects,
Environmental C'ttee to investigate the possibility of the appointment of a Steward,
possibility of footpaths and cycle tracks between Deddington and Clifton and Hempton,
the provision of a Community Bus, for which questionnaires were shortly to be circulated,
provision of additional street lights at various locations,
provision of toilets and additional car parking to encourage Tourism,
possibility of a weekly market,
improvement of the village environment,
extension of the facilities for sport particularly at the Windmill Centre,
repairs required at the Windmill Centre, suggestion of appointing an architect to advise, and to investigate its extension - the Polytechnic may be interested,
"Please Drive Carefully" signs at village entrance and other traffic calming measures

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possibility of forming a nature reserve at the Castle Grounds - views of English Heritage would need to be sought,

Upon the question of management it was RESOLVED that:-

(a) an approach be made to three non-Council members, possibly those parishoners elected to the Trust, inviting them to join a Sub-Committee (think tank) to fully appraise new projects, (Note: they would have no voting power as regards the final allocation of finance, such power remaining with the Council)

(b) the Clerk be authorised to adopt an active investment policy with regard to the capital and accumulated interest, subject to a report being made to each Council Meeting upon the disposition and interest rates on the investments.

Signed

Chairman, 24th. July, 1991.