

THE MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11th APRIL, 1990 at 7.30 p.m. AT THE TOWN HALL,

DEDDINGTON.

Present:

Cllrs. Fenemore (Chairman) Marmion, Cole, Garvey, Hayward, Stevens, Webber, Fuller, Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. Kedge and Mrs. Garvey.

There were no apologies for absence.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

There were no objections to the following planning applications :-

1. 14, High Street, - Renewal of CHN.42/87
DEDDINGTON. (Change of use of part existing residential property to form a retail outlet for sale of ceramics.
2. 9, St. John's Way, - Conservatory.
HEMPTON.
3. The Fishers, - Remove existing garage roof, increase
Clifton Road, pitch and recover to create extension
DEDDINGTON. off bedroom. New dormer window.

Objection/comments were raised in respect of the following application.

4. Holly Tree Cottages, - Demolition of dry stone section
Banbury Road, of existing wall and capping off
DEDDINGTON. with jagged stones.

Objection - That the height of the wall should not be reduced. This would destroy the character. That the present height did create a good sound barrier.

OTHER PLANNING MATTER.

Cllr. Webber stated that following the last meeting of the PC that strong representations had been made concerning the planning application submitted by SOLAR DESIGNS. He stated that it appeared that the car park section would be raised 'high' and would stand above adjacent property. The Chairman stated that this matter had been fully discussed by the last meeting, and a vote taken on the matter to arrive at its decision.

PARISH TRUST.

The Chairman informed the meeting that he had hoped that the draft document would have been returned by Counsel by this time, but this had not been received. Cllr. Cole stated that he had been in contact with the PC's Solicitor who had confirmed that he had no further information at this time.

Cllr. Fenemore stated that although the "Trust" was proceeding, albeit slowly, he asked the meeting to consider whether or not to make funds available to those organisations who had requested financial help at an earlier stage.

After discussion, and having regard to a "list" of organisations who had sought financial assistance, it was proposed by Cllr. Marmion, seconded by Cllr. Hayward that an interest free loan be made to the Deddington Playgroup of £4,300.00 in order to offset their present bank loan. This proposition was agreed by the meeting.

With regard to the other requests, it was agreed that these were of a less urgent nature, and that no assistance be given at this time.

PARISH CLERK.

The Chairman informed the meeting that following the placement of an advertisement in the Deddington News, he had received an application from Mrs. Moreton applying for further details of the appointment. It was agreed that the Clerk and Chairman would contact Mrs. Moreton to frequent her with the duties of the Clerkship, and to invite her to attend the next meeting of the Council.

The Chairman stated that he had received a letter from Mr. A. Gardner in which he stated that he would give up his duties relating to the Burial Ground on the 3.5.90. The Clerk was asked to write to Mr. Gardner to thank him for his services to the Council, which were much appreciated.

The Clerk stated that he had received a request for the hiring of the Town Hall on 3.5.90. The Council fixed the charge of £20.00, and the Clerk to make arrangements with the hirer.

The meeting then went into PRIVATE SESSION to discuss the revised draft District Auditors report for the year 1988-9.

REVISED DRAFT DISTRICT AUDITORS REPORT 1988-9.

The revised draft of the District Auditors report was circulated to all members of the Council.

The Council then agreed that the following amendments be made to the report :-

The History of the Playing Field Transactions

Para 3. In December 1987 the Council entered into a contract with a developer to exchange its playing field for a larger site which the developer had conditionally contracted to purchase. The developer had applied for planning consent for residential development for the Council's playing field. A condition of the consent (which was only granted after an appeal) was that the developer would provide a new recreation ground and cricket field on the larger site. The Developer had already purchased an option on this larger site. A financial commitment which was totally out of the reach of the Deddington Parish Council.

Throughout the Parish Council was forced to operate under a Section 52 constraint.

Issues Arising from the Transactions.

Para 6. Last sentence. Delete and amend as follows :-

I believe the Council acted correctly in valuing the land.

Para 8. (2nd line). Amend to read :-

Council assumed that access to the original site should only and could only be secured via the

Para 9. Add

The Council having regard to the constraints of the Section 52 agreement accepted the deal offered by the developer.

It was further agreed that these amendments be forwarded to the District Auditor by letter and to draw her attention to the following :-

- 1) The Council considered that insufficient emphasis had been made in the draft document of the implications of the Section 52 agreement.
- 2) Having regard to the comments in Para.11, the Council would again bring to the attention of the District Auditor a letter from his department specifically advising the PC not to seek opinion other than the District Valuer.

Next meeting to be held on Wednesday 25th April, 1990 at 7.15 p.m.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'J. Brown', is written over a horizontal line at the bottom right of the page.

