

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 22ND FEBRUARY, 1984

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

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Garvey and George.

1. Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 25th January, 1984, which had been previously circulated, were confirmed as a true record, with the deletion of Councillor Gardner from those present, and signed by the Chairman.

2. Matters arising from the Minutes

Hempton road footway and verge The Clerk reported that the County Council are proposing to erect warning signs on each side of the narrow piece of road in Hempton but that no decision had yet been made on open road between Hempton and Deddington.

Revision to local bus services The Clerk reported that he was still in communication with the County Council on the possibility of re-instating the two journeys concerned.

Windmill Community Centre The Clerk reported that Councillor George had inspected the Windmill Stores extension and was satisfied that the work was within that boundary.

Damage to Town Hall It was noted that this damage had been repaired.

3. Items of correspondence

Best Kept Village Competition RESOLVED that no action be taken.

County Playing Fields Association RESOLVED that no donation be made.

4. Toilets at Deddington Hill Councillor Hayward referred to the constant vandalism at and the present derelict state of these toilets which were now closed. RESOLVED that the County Council be asked to either re-instate or remove them as soon as possible.

5. Footpath obstructions

Generally Councillor Webber asked that this matter be deferred and it was agreed that this be considered at the next Meeting.

Hopcrofts Lane RESOLVED that the Clerk ask Johnson & Co. to endeavour to cut back those trees and shrubs which were causing an obstruction to the footway.

Hempton Councillor Webber stated that he had asked a resident to cut back a hedge but he would get in touch with the Clerk if nothing was done.

6. Footway lighting problems

Hopcroft Lane The Clerk reported that British Telecom had damaged a lamp and pole and he had asked them to re-imburse the Council with the cost of £118.50 plus V.A.T. After discussion with the Chairman, he had instructed the Board to repair the lamp and pole. Councillor O'Neill stated that he witnessed the damage taking place.

The Daedings footpath The Clerk reported that the District Council had advised him that the hedge was owned by H.D.C. Limited and the adjoining owner and that he was in touch with the firm about cutting back the trees.

7. Windmill Community Centre

Surveyors' Fees A further letter from Messrs. Colliers Bigwood and Bewlay was reported.

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7. Windmill Community Centre (continued)

Deddington Town Football Club The Council had no objection to the proposal of the Club to acquire an adjoining piece of land to the south, with the felling of trees, to enable a football pitch to be included at the Centre.

New hall The Chairman stated that negotiations with the builder were hopefully near completion.

8. Planning applications

Old chapel, New Street Objection was made to the proposed change of use to a design studio and display area owing to the difficulty of car parking and to the site being in a residential area.

The Bungalow, Hempton Road No objection was made to constructing a second vehicular access at the western end of the site. Councillor O'Neill declared an interest in this matter and did not take any part in the discussion thereon.

9. Accounts for payment were approved as follows:-

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| Bloxham School          | Photocopying           | £ 4. 28 |
| Public Works Loan Board | Loan repayment         | 106. 98 |
| Southern Electricity    | Street lighting repair | 30. 48  |
|                         | Town Hall              | 18. 83  |

10. RESOLVED that owing to the private nature of the following business, the press and public be excluded under the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 but that Councillor Croft be asked to stay for item 11.
11. Grove Galleries and Studio The Chairman stated that she had discussed this problem with the Chief Planning and Development Officer who was seeking better evidence as to the use of the premises. After some discussion, RESOLVED that the Clerk be instructed to advise the District Council of such further evidence.
12. The Clerk RESOLVED that the salary of the Clerk be increased by five per centum with effect from 1st April, 1984: the last increase was in October, 1982. The Clerk withdrew from the Meeting whilst this matter was discussed.

The Meeting closed at 8.10 p.m.

*Mary Robinson.*

Chairman