

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 25TH FEBRUARY 1987

Present: Councillor Hayward (Chairman), Councillors Allen, Cole, Fenemore, Fuller, Garrett, Garvey, Mrs. Kedge, Marmion, O'Neill, Stevens, Mrs. Swash and Webber.

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor George.

1. Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 28th January 1987, which had been previously circulated, were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

2. There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

3. Items of correspondence

The Duke of Cumberland's Head An application for the Transfer of the Justices' Licence was noted.

Land rear of Maunds Farmhouse Planning approval for this development, which was objected to by the Council, was noted.

Banbury and District Post Office Advisory Committee A report on the last meeting was noted.

Planning appeal An informal appeal against Planning refusal for change of use from storage to residential for The Old Fire Station was noted.

Chapmans Lane A letter complaining against encroachment was deferred for investigation.

Oxfordshire Village Ventures Competition No suitable ventures were forthcoming in the Parish for 1986/88.

Oxfordshire Playing Fields Association No action was taken on the invitation to become a member.

Grapevine Receipt of the February issue was reported.

4. Castle Grounds

(a) Visual improvements An interim report from the Forestry Adviser was given and the Chairman also reported that he had met the Adviser recently when the moat area and the approach road were discussed: a further report would be forthcoming shortly.

(b) Maintenance The programme for 1987 was agreed and RESOLVED that this be circulated to Messrs. Boss, Jones and Smith: the gang-mowing would continue to be carried out by the County Council.

(c) Dog show Councillor Cole gave further details about the proposed car parking and the positioning of the racing and show ring on the main field: he also stated that the organisers would clear up the site after the show. RESOLVED that a firm date in June now be requested.

(d) Moles The Chairman stated that the advice received was to roll the field and then look for the moles which had been disturbed: the Vice-chairman had agreed to do the rolling and then a mole catcher could look for the moles. RESOLVED that this be agreed.

5. Cemetery

(a) Maintenance The programme for 1987 was agreed and RESOLVED that the same persons as Castle Grounds be asked to tender.

(b) Seat RESOLVED that this be considered at the next Meeting.

6. Best-kept Village Competition It was agreed to enter the Competition and Councillors Mesdames Kedge and Swash agreed to co-ordinate the entry.

7. Revisions to bus service The Parish Transport Representative gave a brief report on revisions to the service and on a meeting she had had with a representative of Oxfordshire Rural Community Council on bus services generally.

8. EEC Food Distribution It was noted that butter had already been distributed to pensioners in the Parish by Holly Tree Club and that meat would be used by the Meals-on-Wheels Service.
9. External decoration of Town Hall An estimate in the sum of £328 plus VAT from Mr. T. Rogers of Bloxham was approved.
10. Bullring/Horsefair area Councillor Marmion submitted his suggestions for the area and RESOLVED that these be circulated for consideration at the next Meeting.
11. Windmill Centre
- (a) Proposed lease A letter from the chairman of the committee which stated, inter alia, that the accounts would show only a break-even position was noted. After some discussion, RESOLVED that for an interim period of one year the rent be based on 1% of the loan outstanding and that it then be reviewed on the production of the Committee accounts.
- (b) Plaque for best-kept village The position over the storage heater on the main wall was agreed.
- (c) Western boundary It was noted that the committee would erect the fencing as and when funds permit.
- (d) Street lamp It was noted that Southern Electricity had erected this lamp not in the preferred place without any prior consultation.
- (e) Official "opening" The coinciding with the Spring Fair on 9th May was agreed.
- (f) Cricket Club fencing A letter was considered from the Club pointing out the dangers of the short boundary. RESOLVED that a site meeting be arranged with the Club, with the Chairman, Vice-chairman and Councillor Marmion as the Council representatives, and report back.
- (g) Phase II The Clerk reported that he had submitted a letter in support of the Rockwell appeal.
12. Planning Committee reported that they had met and (a) had no objections to modifications to Blocks A, D & E of sheltered housing flats at The Grove, but (b) considered that the access to the site for a small dwelling at The Old Stores, Clifton was sub-standard.
13. Planning application No objection was made to extensions to Folly Cottage, Hempton.
14. Accounts for payment were passed as follows:-
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| Public Works Loan Board | Loan annuity | £106. 98 |
| Southern Electricity | Supply to Town Hall | 7. 22 |
| Oxfordshire Rural Comm. Council | Best-kept Village | 6. 00 |
15. RESOLVED that the press and public be excluded for the next item of business, owing to its confidential nature.
16. Windmill Centre The Clerk reported that he had had a number of requests for payment from professional advisers and the independent report had also been received. RESOLVED that a meeting be arranged with the Council's solicitor as soon as possible to discuss matters generally and that the Chairman, Vice-chairman and Councillors Allen, Cole and O'Neill represent the Council.

The Meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.



Chairman

DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

TENDERS are invited for the following MAINTENANCE WORK on Council land for the 1987 season (1st April to 31st October)

CASTLE GROUNDS

Grass cutting for playground area only.

Number of cuts required - seven.

Please ensure that the figure quoted in your tender is priced 'per cut' as it may occur that additional cuts will be required according to the weather and growing season.

Payments will be made monthly upon receipt of invoice which should be submitted not later than one day before the Council meeting (fourth Wednesday in each calendar month).

CEMETERY

Grass cutting for the whole area including lay-by area outside the gate.

Number of cuts required - seven.

The drive inside the Cemetery gate to be kept weed-free with initial weed clearance to be carried out prior to 1st April.

Please ensure that the figure quoted in your tender is priced 'per cut' as it is likely that additional cuts will be required according to the weather and growing season.

Payments will be made monthly upon receipt of invoice which should be submitted not later than one day before the Council meeting (fourth Wednesday in each calendar month).

Any further information can be obtained from The Clerk at 23 The Daedings, Deddington, Oxford, OX5 4RT., to whom completed tenders for all or any of the above work must be delivered in a sealed envelope marked TENDER not later than noon on Tuesday, 24th March 1987.

The Council do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender in any case.

A. GARDNER

28th February 1987