

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 27TH OCTOBER, 1982

Present: Councillor Mrs. Robinson (Vice Chairman in the Chair), Councillors Mrs. Cheeseman, Fuller, Gardner, Garrett, Garvey, George, Hayward, Mackenzie, Marshall, O'Neill, Stevens, and Webber.

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of the Chairman of the Council.

1. Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 22nd September, 1982, which had been previously circulated, were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
2. Matters arising from the Minutes
 - Hopcraft Lane The Clerk reported that the footway had now been repaired but that the District Council had not yet taken any action concerning the abandoned vehicle. RESOLVED that the District Council be reminded of the request of the Council to act in the matter.
 - M40 Extension A copy of the letter and a summary of the evidence given by the Chairman to the Inquiry was noted.
 - Bridlepath off Hempton Road It was noted that the District Council had now cleared this bridlepath of rubbish and a letter from the Chief Technical Services Officer was read. RESOLVED that enquiries be made on the cost of providing a skip at various places in the Parish at intervals during the year.
 - Planning decision on residential development at The Grove, which had been refused, was noted.
3. Items of correspondence
 - SACA Deddington News was asked to publicise the request of SACA for information on halls and organisations in the Parish.
 - Castle End House The giving of a licence by the County Council to plant and maintain part of the highway outside his house to the owner of Castle End House was noted.
 - British Telecom A letter from the Post Office Engineering Union on the proposed selling off of British Telecom was noted.
4. Concessionary bus fares The questionnaire from the District Council was completed indicating the need and general support for concessionary bus fares for the elderly and infirm. The Chairman reported on the Adderbury community bus and it was agreed that the views of the District Council on possible joint services be awaited. It was also agreed that investigations be made on the existing bus services in the Parish.
5. Public Rights of Way Map The Clerk reported that this map was now on deposit and a copy was perused by Members. RESOLVED that the attention of the District Council be drawn to the sign on Bridleway 21 and the apparent routing of Footpath 2 through a chicken run at its southern end.
6. Satin Lane Allotments A letter was submitted from an allotment holder which drew attention to the poor state of the gate and to the need for a water supply. RESOLVED that Mr. Franklin be asked to repair the gate, but that no action be taken on the provision of a water supply owing to the cost unless all the allotment holders required it and were prepared to contribute to the cost.

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7. Market stall The application from the local branch of Action Research for the crippled child for a market stall under the Town Hall on 27th November, 1982, was approved, subject to no liability falling on the Council.
8. Windmill Community Centre Consideration was given to a constitution for the committee appointed to set up the Community Centre, which had been circulated by the Vice Chairman. The Clerk reminded the Council that the committee was not one which had been properly appointed under the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1972, and that any constitution could only be an informal one until such time as the properly constituted Management Committee was set up: the one circulated did not take this into account. RESOLVED that the Clerk prepare a suitable constitution for discussion with, and the approval of, the Chairman and Vice Chairman.
- It was also reported that an application had been made by the committee to the Sports Council for a loan and grant for the construction of three hard tennis courts and the upgrading of showers and changing facilities at an estimated cost of £18,000. However, before the Sports Council were prepared to approve the application they required, inter alia, an undertaking from the Council that "If within a period of seven years the organisation is dispossessed and the facility ceases to be used for sports purposes approved by the Sports Council, the grant or an appropriate proportion thereof will be repaid to the Sports Council". RESOLVED that, provided the approved facilities are provided, the Council give such an undertaking.
- A complaint was also received from the Acting Secretary of the committee on the unauthorised accesses being used over the recreation ground to the gardens of houses in The Paddocks, particularly by vehicles. RESOLVED that the tenants of 19 to 24 The Paddocks be notified that this practice is a trespass and that the District Council, as landlords, be advised of the practice.
9. Planning Committee It was reported that the Planning Committee had met twice and that no objections had been made to the extensions to the Football Club pavilion at Castle Grounds, the advertisement signs at Benfield's Garage (subject to this being the final solution), and to a C.B. aerial at 28 The Paddocks. Amended plans for the residential development at Castle Street had also been inspected but the Committee thought that the original plans were preferable.
10. Accounts for payment were approved as follows:-

Bloxham School	Photocopying	£2. 92
Edwards, Bigwood & Bewlay	Surveyors' fees	370. 88
Johnson and Gaunt	Legal fees	226. 30
Lane Fox and Partners	Allotment rent	42. 73
M40 Support Group	Contribution	25. 00
Rob's Gardening Services	Grass cutting	37. 95
Southern Electricity	New lighting bracket	71. 70
Thames Water	Water rate	2. 90

The meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.

Douglas V. Ward
Chairman