

DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday,
28th April, 1993**

Present:-

Councillors Oddy (Chairman), Clarke, Clinch, Canning, Mrs Lee, Miss Hill, Mrs Swash, Mrs Garvey, Todd and Barlow. District Councillor Croft in attendance.

169/92 Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received from Councillors Bowen, O'Brien, Reed, Mrs Stevens and County Councillor Matthews.

170/92 New Member.

The Chairman welcomed the new member, Cr Raymond H Barlow who signed the declaration of acceptance of Office.

171/92 Minutes of the meeting held on 24th March, 1993

The above minutes which had been previously circulated were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman, subject to the addition of " arrangements being made for the reception of the seat being donated by Mrs Mace and Family"

172/92 "Any Other Business"

Debate took place upon a suggestion that "Any other business" should be reintroduced as a regular Agenda item. Upon a motion from the Chairman it was unanimously agreed that

(a) Any other business should be reinstated as an Agenda item

(b) It should appear on the Agenda immediately following "Matters arising from the Minutes".

(c) The Chairman to determine whether any matter raised should be discussed at the meeting or deferred to the next meeting.

173/92 Windmill Sub-Committee.

The Chairman reported that the tenders had been received for the works of alteration and extension, but that negotiations were being undertaken with the lowest tenderer and it was hoped a contract would be signed within the next few days. The initial total cost was considerably in excess of budget, individual items were more or less on target but the additional landscaping and car parking costs arising from planning requirements were the main reason for the excess. There was the possibility of losing the hard play area subject to grants to be received being insufficient to cover the excess. Comments were made that the projected overspend is outside normally accepted tolerances. The Chairman stated that the delay in starting the contract should not extend the date of completion. It was suggested that the Council should endeavour to pressure the District Council to reduce the intensity of the landscaping requirements.

It was confirmed that Mr F Deeley be invited to turn the first sod on the Bowling Green area and a suggestion was made

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that the President of the Oxfordshire Bowling Association be also invited.

174/92 Dogs.

Crs. Mrs Swash and Clinch reported that dog fouling of the streets and dogs of leads were becoming a problem in the village. It was suggested that enquiries be made of the District Council Dog Wardens as to the operation of Poopa Scoopas and receptacles, siting, removal of the contents etc. An announcement in the Deddington News to the effect that action was to be taken was agreed.

175/92 Village Appraisal.

Cr Miss Hill reported that at their last meeting on 15th April they had finalised the Questionnaire, subject to it being tested on a limited number of parishioners. The Chairman again stated that a Public Meeting should be convened to ensure that the questionnaire all local matters of concern to the public. Cr Clinch stated that in his view few people would attend such a meeting. Cr Todd moved and Cr Miss Hill seconded a motion that discussion of the Village Appraisal take place at the close of the Parish Meeting on 19th May. The motion was duly carried by 7 votes to 2.

176/92 Parish Environmental Initiatives.

The Clerk reported that the hanging baskets for the Town Hall and Public Library were on order for May delivery. Instructions had been given for the formation of the small beds at the entrances to the three settlements and the beds around the trees on the village greens had been dug. It was agreed that the Deddington Gardeners be responsible for the planting of the beds and that in the autumn the greens be underplanted with bulbs of small daffodils. It was reported that because of the difficulty in avoiding underground services the trees to be placed either side of the Town Hall be in tubs set on level concrete plinths. Confirmation of the grant from the District Council was awaited.

177/92 Low Cost Housing.

The Clerk reported that he had written to the site agents requesting the recommencement of discussions in relation to the preferred low cost housing site on the Hempton Road.

178/92 Maintenance of the Windmill Sports Field.

The Clerk reported that the Sub-Committee appointed to open the tenders for the above 1993/94 contract had recommended the acceptance of the tender of Messrs Designgro Ltd in the sum of £5,807.00 inclusive of provisional sums and a sum for contingencies. This tender was marginally higher than the other one received from the last year's contractor, who was the subject of many complaints from ground users. Resolved unanimously that the tender of Designgro Ltd in the

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aforementioned sum be accepted.

179/92 Coat of Arms.

The Chairman reported upon his discussions with Norroy and Ulster King of Arms, and circulated a draft of a possible Coat of Arms for the village. The draft showed three alternative heading motifs - (1) a Church Tower, (2) Bishop Odo and (3) Eagle on Castle, which became the subject of a vote resulting as follows (1) 5 votes, (2) No votes and (3) 5 votes. The Chairman gave his second and casting vote for (3). The suggested motto translates as "Three in One" and was accepted as being suitable for Deddington representing the three manors and the three villages.

It was suggested that the new Arms be included on new signs, to be sponsored, at the entrances to the villages for which estimates should be sought and that an article should be written for the Deddington News.

180/92 Traffic Calming.

The Clerk reported that he had placed an order with the Oxfordshire County Council for the works in High Street, Chapel Square and at Clifton.

181/92 Footpaths to Hempton and Clifton.

(a) Hempton - The Clerk reported that the County Council had informed him that they were about to go to tender, but that as the 2 local contractors had not been party to their annual highway works tenders it would delay matters if they were to be invited and in the interests of a speedy start he had agreed to their exclusion. Council disagreed and the Clerk was instructed to immediately so inform the County Council.

(b) Clifton - A local farmer had offered to use a machine to cut the overgrowth on this path, which had been dug out in various places to test its condition, which was found to be reasonable.

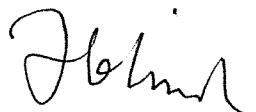
182/92 Investment of the Council's Funds.

The Clerk reported that at the close of business on 28th April, 1993 the funds invested were as follows:-

£	
550,000.00	at 5 and eleven sixteenths % fixed to 28/5/93
450,000.00	at 8% variable for 2 years subject to the rate being not less than 4.5% above the base rate on the Bradford and Bingley B S Timesaver Account.
30,844.72	at 14 days notice at 4.75%
4,668.52	overnight at 2%
<u>1,035,513.24</u>	

183/92 Cemetery Charges.

Further to Min.156/92 the Clerk submitted a report on the finances of the Cemetery for the past 5 years. A copy is filed with these minutes. The figures revealed that after allowing



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for maintenance costs there was an annual deficit equivalent to at least the actual income received. Resolved that with the exception of the charges for children under 12, for whom the interment fees should be free, charges be doubled. A copy of the revised charges is filed in the Minute Book.

184/92 Resolved that the undermentiones accounts be approved for payment:-

	£	
J Boss	- Grasscutting	258.00
Woolerton Truscott	- 6th & 7th Inst of Fees	7,053.78
British Telecom	- Office Telephone	61.12
J P McDougal & Co Ltd.	- Stain & Undercoat	55.52
Oxfordshire County Council	- Windmill Field Maint. Feb. & March, 1993	698.27
L G Burton	- Plumbing Repairs Town Hall	12.00
Hayward and White	- Photocopying	3.53
D H Blakey	- Salary and Postages - April	266.11
Parish Council Imprest A/c	- Reimbursement	1,447.47

Imprest Account Make up

D Freeman	- Wages w/e 27/3; 3,10,17 & 24/4/93	809.64
O.R.C.C.	- Entry Fee - Best Kept Village Comp.	8.00
Archway Garage-	Petrol Community Bus	23.13
Centrepoint	- Photocopying	70.46
Deddington Guide Shop	- Sponsorship	98.45
Inland Revenue-	PAYE and NI	437.79
		<u>1,447.47</u>

185/92 Correspondence.

(a) A request from "One Day Wonders" - Morris Dancers from Gloucester to perform in the Market Square on 15th May, 1993 was approved.

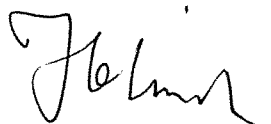
(b) A request from Deddington Singers for financial support was referred to the Grants Sub-Committee following the receipt of the standard grant application form.

(c) A letter of thanks from the North Oxfordshire Victim Support Scheme in respect of the Council's contribution.

(d) An invitation to a seminar on 20 May, 1993 on Community Care in the Locality. Cr Todd received the papers and hoped to attend on behalf of the Council.

(e) Letter from the District Emergency Planning Officer informing Council that with effect from 1st April, 1993 all support for the Community Adviser for the Civil Protection Scheme has been withdrawn. This was obviously good news and it was resolved that Mr J Marmion be thanked for his past work in this connection on behalf of the Parish.

(f) The Clerk reported that the chimney on the Town Hall was leaning at a dangerous angle and that he had received a quotation in the sum of £330.00 for its demolition and rebuilding. Resolved that the works be undertaken as soon as



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possible at the aforementioned cost.

(g) Letter from the District Council requesting suggestions regarding a street name for the Banner Homes site off Earls Lane. Resolved that the street be named "Beeches Close".

(h) Notification from the District Council of the making of a Tree Preservation Order in respect of the Blue Atlantic Cedar on land adjoining Greencourts, Earls Lane.

(i) Notification of the launching of the Oxfordshire Special Conservation Awards 1993 jointly by the County Council and the Oxford Times.

186/92 Planning Sub-Committee.

Applications.

CHN 147/93- Single Storey Extension - 20 St John's Way, Hempton
No observations

CHN LB 163/93 - Internal alterations & small rear extension to enlarge the bar area - Crown & Tuns P H New Street.
Loss of parking space regretted, could this be made good by construction of layby?

CHN 150/93- Demolition of existing single storey building & construction of stonefaced 3 bedroomed house.
Renewal of Application CHN 818/87.

Observation - Subject to receipt of detailed plans.

CHN 117/93- Demolition of single storey outbuilding & replacement with single storey extension & conversion of loft space - Midhill, Philcote Street.
No observations.

CHN 201/93- Amendment to CHN 323/91 to remove low wall and minor internal alterations - College Farm Cottage, Hempton
No observations.

CHN LB 159/93 - Demolition of kitchen, erection of new kitchen north store & rear porch. Construction of ground floor dining room with 2 bedrooms over. Internal alterations to form improved cellar/store & public toilets - The Kings Arms, Horsefair.
Observations - The windows on the west and south aspects should have flat roofs to the bays and not sloping as shown.

Larger window at 1st floor in the extension to match existing on the south elevation
Bathroom window on western aspect of extension to have restricted opening

It is understood that concern has been expressed re late night noise from additional parking.

Approvals.


CHN 117/93- See above.

CHN LB 98/93- Alterations - Ilbury House, New Street.

Refusals.

CHN 48/93 - Revision to dwelling type on plot 7 - Residential development adjoining Greencourts, Earls Lane.C

CHN 79/93 - Retention of building for storage of agricultural



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machinery.

Note. Councillor Oddy declared his interest in the planning matters under discussion and left the meeting for the whole of Min.186/92.

187/92 Resolved that the Council move into closed session to consider items relating to property.

188/92 Dates of Next Meetings.

Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30 pm on 19th May, 1993 in the Parish Church.

Annual Council Meeting at 7.30 pm on 26th May, 1993 in the Town Hall

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Cemetery Receipts and Payments
1988/1993

Year	Receipts £	Payments £	Loss £
1988/89	116.00	238.91*	122.91*
1989/90	237.00	239.61*	2.61*
1990/91	210.50	240.96*	30.46*
1991/92	199.00	251.96*	52.96*
1992/93	108.00	494.16	386.16

* Maintenance Costs not allocated.

Revised Cemetery Fees as adopted by Council at its meeting on
28th April, 1993 and with immediate effect.

Part 1 - Interments.

- (i) For interment in any grave
 - (a) of the body of a child whose age at the time of death did not exceed 12 years No Charge
 - (b) of the body of a person whose age at the time of death exceeded 12 years. £30.00
- (ii) For any interment in a vault or walled grave £20.00
- (iii) For the interment of cremated remains in a grave in respect of which exclusive right of burial has been granted £10.00
- (iv) For turfing a grave after interment £ 6.00

Part 2 - Exclusive Rights of Burial in Earthen Graves

- (i) For the grant of an exclusive right of burial in perpetuity in an earthen grave 7 feet by 3 feet £20.00
- (ii) For the grant of an exclusive right of burial in perpetuity of cremated remains in an earthen grave 2 feet by 2 feet £ 6.00

Part 3 - Walled Graves and Vaults

- For the grant of a right to construct and of burial in perpetuity in a walled grave or vault
- (a) 7 feet by 3 feet £80.00
 - (b) 7 feet by 7 feet £120.00

The fees, payments and sums stated above in Parts 1, 2 and 3 do not include the cost of digging or construction and those in Parts 2 and 3 do not include the cost of the deed of grant for which an additional charge of £4.00 is payable plus stamp duty



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Part 4. Monuments, Gravestones, Tablets and Monumental
Inscriptions

1. A flat stone not exceeding 7 feet by 3 feet £10
2. A flat stone exceeding either or both those dimensions £20
3. A head stone not exceeding 4 feet in height £22
4. A tablet or monument in the shape of a vase not exceeding 2 feet in height at the head of grave £22

The fees indicated for the various heads of this part include the first inscription. For each inscription after the first a fee of £4 is payable.

The fees, payments and sums set out above apply where the person to be interred or in respect of whom the right is granted is, or immediately before his death was an inhabitant of the Parish of Deddington or in the case of a still born child where the parents or one of them were such inhabitants. For the purpose of these charges the term inhabitant shall include any person who has resided in the Parish for a minimum of five years within three years of his/her decease or who was born in the Parish or was born in a place of confinement outside the Parish of a mother who was resident in the Parish immediately before going to the place of such confinement. In all other cases the fees, payments and sums due will be doubled except that those set out in Parts 1 and 4 will not be doubled where the exclusive rights of burial in the grave in question or of constructing the grave or vault was acquired at a single fee as set out in Parts 2 and 3.

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Minutes of the closed session of the Council Meeting held on
Wednesday, 28th April, 1993

189/92 Minutes of the meeting held on 24th March, 1993.

The minutes were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

190/92 Holly Tree Club.

Cr Clinch presented a report upon his discussion with the Trustees on the future of the Holly Tree Club, a copy of which is filed with these minutes. The Council resolved to appoint a surveyor to produce a complete survey of the condition of the buildings at the Council's expense. Also it was agreed that the Clerk should approach the Charity Commission with regard to the Council taking over the buildings as a Council asset the use to be made of the hall to be in support of the "over 60's", as under the present Trust Deed. Cr Canning undertook to produce a survey of the present users of the premises.

191/92 House adjacent to the Windmill Centre.

The Chairman reported that he had discussed with representatives of Wilcon the price they were prepared to accept for the middle house of the block nearest to the Windmill Centre which was being marketed at £52,950. The company were prepared to accept £49,500. Following discussion it was agreed that prior to making an offer it was necessary to know the full extent of the Council's liability for maintenance at the Centre and that such figures should be available at the Extraordinary meeting of Council on 10th May, which would be attended by Mr Mattinson of the Council's consultants

192/92 Former St James' Church, Clifton.

No reply had been received by the Clerk to a reminder letter he had sent to Mr Rawlings regarding the surrounding land.

193/92 Extraordinary Meeting of Council.

It was reported that an extraordinary meeting of Council had been arranged for 7.30 on May 10th at which the Chairman of the Windmill Committee and the Mr Mattinson of the Council's consultants would report upon the Windmill Project.

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