

**DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday**  
**28th July, 1993**

Present:- Crs Clinch (Chairman), Barlow, Bowen, Clarke, Mrs Lee, Miss Hill, Oddy, Mrs Stevens, Mrs Swash and Todd.

**43/93 Apologies for absence.**

Apologies were received from Crs Mrs Garvey, Reed, Canning & O'Brien. County Councillor Matthews also apologised for his non-attendance.

**44/93 Ex Councillor Croft.**

The Chairman referred to the resignation from the District Council of Councillor Croft and proposed that the Council place on record its thanks for the support it had received from him over many years and to pass on its best wishes for his future. The motion was passed unanimously.

**45/93 Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 23rd June, 1993.**

The above minutes which had been previously circulated were approved as an accurate record subject to, in Min 33/93 Appl.No 37, it being acknowledged that a further application was required in this instance.

**46/93 Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council held on Monday, 12th July, 1993.**

These minutes which had been previously circulated were approved as a true record.

**47/93 Matters arising.**

The Chairman reported that he had spoken to Mrs J Mace regarding the donation of the seat and she had expressed the wish that no further action be taken. Resolved that a letter of thanks be forwarded to Mrs Mace.

**48/93 Any other business.**

The Chairman allowed the following matters to be discussed:-

- (a) Notices in villages.
- (b) Heavy Traffic
- (c) Autumn Planting
- (d) Coat of Arms

**49/93 Traffic Calming.**

The Clerk reported upon correspondence with the County Council on the costs of the various works as follows:-

- (a) Central Refuge, High St.

A plan was displayed showing the position of the refuge edged in granite setts for which inclusive of lighting the cost was estimated at £3,000.

- (b) Priority Signing, Chapel Square.

Including the standard charge for the provision of the electricity service the estimated cost is £750.



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(c) Pedestrian Signing, Clifton.

The County Council had undertaken to finance these signs themselves.

It was resolved that the above schemes proceed at the estimated costs indicated.

#### **50/93 Hempton Road Footpath and Cycletrack.**

The Clerk reported that none of the local contractors suggested by the Council had met the County Council's criteria and that the lowest tender they had received from their approved list was in the sum of £28,831.27 from OCC Commercial Services.

Cr Todd moved and Cr Mrs Swash seconded that the above tender be accepted and it was so resolved by 8 votes to nil with 2 abstentions.

#### **51/93 Village Bus.**

The Clerk reported that he had had discussions with members of the Banbury Community Transport Association and they had indicated that they could provide a service for this village at a similar cost utilising their fleet. Unfortunately a letter confirming their rate of charge was not to hand. They had also put this Council's Bus through their workshop and had confirmed that repairs at a substantial cost were required for it to receive an MOT certificate. Resolved that the Bus be scrapped.

#### **52/93 Planning Sub-Committee.**

Cr Miss Hill reported the recommendations of her Sub-Committee as follows:-

Applications-

CHN 306/93 The Homestead, Goose Green - Construction of timber and tile porch over front door. Rebuilding of existing steps - No observations.

CHN 327/93 Leadenporch Farm - Conversion of redundant barn and change of use from agriculture to residential.

Observation - the chimney shown on the plan should be of stone construction and not metal.

CHN 332/93 The Stile House, New Street - Removal of modern windows and replace with traditional units.

No observations.

CHN 259/93 Boulderdyke Farm, Chapel Street, Clifton - Demolish existing buildings and redevelop site with 10 four bedroomed detached houses plus ancillary works. Revised plans showing the demolition of a wall on Chapel St and setting it back to provide vision splay.

Object to the wall demolition and the observations as contained in Min 34/93.

CHN 365/93 Coombe Cottage, Hempton - Demolition of outbuildings and two storey extension.

No observations.

Approvals.

CHN LB 159/93 The Kings Arms, Horsefair - Demolition of



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kitchen-north, and construction of ground floor dining room with 2 bedrooms over etc.

**53/93 Flash Floods.**

Cr Miss Hill reported that the Sub-Committee had also considered the flash floods which had recently occurred. It was recommended that urgent meetings be called between the District Council, Thames Water and the County Council as it appeared that the main sewer in New Street was defective.

**54/93 Sale of the Deddington Estate.**

A copy of the Sale particulars was displayed and it was agreed that copies be circulated among members.

**55/93 Low Cost Housing.**

It was agreed that an item be included on the agenda for the next meeting.

**56/93 Windmill Sub-Committee.**

Cr Barlow reported on his first meeting of the Management Committee when he was appraised of the running of the Centre, and a subsequent meeting with users at which a general discussion had taken place and the input from users had been very useful and they had been cooperative. The Bowls, Cricket and Tennis Clubs had taken over responsibility for each of the pavilions and agreed to be responsible for their future insurance and internal maintenance. Subject to price it was also agreed that the clubs would pay for the lining of the pavilions.

He also stated that to date the Council had not received the Contract for the works though the Clerk had been pressing the Consultants. It was resolved that the monthly payment of consultant's fees be held in abeyance until the contract is received

**57/93 Deddington Charity Estates.**

The Clerk read a request from the Secretary to the Trustees for the Council to appoint two representative trustees to the Charity. Resolved that the Secretary to the Trustees be asked to forward a copy of the Trust Deed in order that the Council may be aware of its objectives and responsibilities.

**58/93 Bus Shelter in Market Place.**

The Clerk reported that Courtyard Designs had submitted an approximate cost of £1,830 excluding groundworks for the supply and erection of a bus shelter, similar in design to the Windmill pavilions, for the Market Place. The measurements were 6 feet x 4 feet x 7 feet high with windows at either end and a tiled roof. Resolved that, without commitment, Courtyard Designs be asked to produce a design drawing of the shelter.

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**59/93 Woodstock Bypass.**

The Clerk read a reply from the County Engineer generally agreeing with this Council's views and stating finally "If when Council meets on 20 July, the Woodstock Bypass project is deleted from the Capital Programme, there will need to be a careful reappraisal of the adverse effects of restraint and growing congestion in the town on the alternative routes through many villages in the north and west of the County which will suffer in the years ahead. The Council will have to decide what traffic management measures can be introduced in Woodstock without causing detrimental conditions elsewhere."

**60/93 Naming of Earls Lane Development.**

Resolved to inform the District Council that this Council wish to adhere to its suggestion of "Beeches Close".

**61/93 R A F Upper Heyford.**

The District Council had replied as follows "It has been agreed that a development brief for the future use of the site will be prepared, with a view to it being published for consultation early in 1994. I will ensure that Deddington Parish Council are formally consulted on the development brief at that stage."

**62/93 European Natural Heritage Fund.**

It was agreed that this matter be referred to the Environmental Sub-Committee.

**63/93 Best Kept Village Competition.**

A copy of the Judges comments re the village was circulated to each member and it was agreed that the Environmental Sub-Committee consider the report in detail and report back.

**64/93 Best Kept Front Garden & Band Concert.**

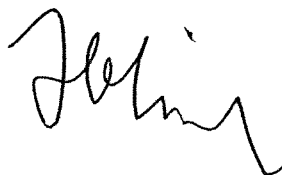
There had been 40 entrants for the competition the prize being presented at the Band Concert to *M.A.* of Hempton. It was resolved that the Deddington Gardeners be commended for their initiative and the Deddington Players be thanked for organising the Concert.

**65/93 1991 Census.**

A summary of the Small Area Statistics for the village compiled by the Village Appraisal Group was circulated to each member.

**66/93 Investment of Council Funds.**

The Clerk reported that at the close of business on 27th July 1993 the investments were as follows:-



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450,000.00	at 8.3% 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.
500,000.00	at 5.625% fixed to 30th July, 1993
.65	at 4.125% on 14 days notice
54,163.63	at 2.625% overnight
<u>1,004,164.28</u>	

**67/93 The following accounts were approved for payment:-**

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Inland Revenue - Income Tax and N H I	745.58/
Courtyard Designs - Cricket Pavilion	11,708.29/
Barrett Construction Ltd - Certificate No 2	28,129.50/
Courtyard Designs - Tennis and Bowls Pavilions	22,053.28/
J Boss - July Grasscutting	258.00/
Woolerton Truscott - 9th Instalment of fees	3,691.39/
DesignGro - Sportsfield Maint.	376.00/
J Spencer - Town Hall Chimney	420.06/
Glasdon U K Ltd - 2 seats & 2 litter bins	853.17/
Southern Electric - Electricity Town Hall	10.33/
Cherwell D C - Plastic Sacks	19.98/
P Gattley - Bedding Plants	60.00/
Playground Management Services - Play area inspections	76.38/
Dr O'Donnell & Partners - Health Centre Transport	85.85/
Anker & Partners - Holly Tree Supp Report	41.13/
D H Blakey - Salary & Expenses	263.47/
Imprest Account - Reimbursement	930.10/
	<u>69,722.51</u>
Make-up of Imprest Reimbursement.	
D Freeman - Wages 3,10,17, and 24 July	686.79
Archway Garage - Petrol and Oil	20.28
Centrepont - Photocopying	30.23
Deddington Summer Playscheme - Grant	100.00
Viking Direct - Stationery	27.84
British Telecom - Office Telephone	64.96
	<u>930.10</u>

**68/93 Correspondence.**

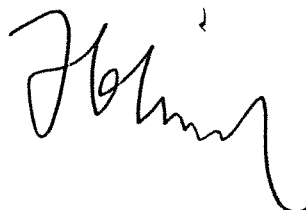
(a) Letter from Mrs Plant thanking the Council for its Grant to the playscheme.

(b) Letter from the Vicar thanking the Council for its Grant towards the kitchen and toilets at the Parish Church.

(c) Letter from Mrs Brewer regarding the flash floods and the collapse of the New Street Sewer. (Dealt with under Min.53/93)

(d) Letter from Mr Blakeman, Honorary Secretary of the British Legion noting that the Council has now placed a seat "in exactly the spot which has been used for many years " for our Garden of Remembrance. Resolved that the Clerk discuss an appropriate alternative site possibly on the other green.

(e) Letter from the District Council stating that to have a



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skip once per week at Deddington would cost this Council £40 per additional occasion or £1,040 per annum. Resolved that the Environmental Committee consider this matter with a suggestion that the skip be reduced to a monthly frequency in winter to compensate for a weekly frequency in the summer months.

(f) Quotation from Insignia of Hempton for three noticeboards - one 4' x 3' to be placed above the seat in the Town Hall undercroft and 2 3'x 2' for Clifton and Hempton at a total cost of £822. Resolved to accept the quotation in the aforementioned sum.

**69/93 Other urgent business.**

(a) Notices in Villages - Cr Todd reported that at a meeting of the OALC the County Engineer suggested that District and Parish Councils be granted agency powers to remove on behalf of the County Council, notices placed on lamp posts, telegraph poles etc. The agency may also be extended to grasscutting. Resolved that the Clerk obtain details of the scheme and that the Environmental Sub-Committee report to a future meeting thereon.

(b) Heavy Traffic - It was reported that a large Tesco vehicle passed through Chapel Square at 1.00pm on Tuesday, 27th July, 1993, thus flouting the weight restrictions. In future occurrences of this kind the registration number of the vehicle should be noted so that action may be taken.

(c) Autumn Planting. Cr Miss Hill requested permission to obtain quotations for shrubs and bulbs in respect of the Autumn Planting, which course of action was approved.

(d) Coat of Arms. Cr Oddy requested that an item be included on the August Agenda for further discussions to take place on this topic.

**70/93 Date of next meeting.**

Wednesday, 25th August, 1993 at the Town Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

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