

## PARISH OF DEDDINGTON

The Minutes of the DEDDINGTON PARISH MEETING held on the 16th May, 1990 at 7.15 p.m. at THE TWON HALL, DEDDINGTON.

Present: Cllr. George E. FENEMORE and 35 Local Government Electors.

### 1. APOLOGIES.

Apologies were received from District Cllr. R. Croft  
James MARMION  
Mrs. J. STEVENS  
Mrs. C. GARVEY

### 2. MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on the 24th May 1989 were read by the Clerk and approved.

### 3. MATTERS ARISING.

Mr. Todd asked if a letter that he had sent to the Chairman of the Council on the 10th May 1989 in which he expressed his apologies for being unable to attend the Parish meeting and in which he raised two questions - a) regarding notice boards and b) regarding question period had been dealt with at the Annual Meeting. Cllr. Fenemore replied that there was no record of this being dealt with according to the minute taken.

### 4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

#### a) Windmill Centre and Sports Field.

The Chairman stated that the sports field had now been completed, although some of the work carried out was not satisfactory and Mr. Barnes would be taken up the problems with Wllsborn Sports. The Tree planting and landscaping had been completed. The Management Committee of the Windmill Centre had now engaged a "steward" at the Centre, the salary of the steward was being underwritten for a period of 12 months by the Parish Council. The Chairman thanked Mr. N. Drake and his committee for their efforts, which he was sure would make the centre a huge success.

#### b) Parish of Deddington Trust.

The Chairman reported that the Parish Council had sought legal advice for the setting up of a Trust Fund. The "Final draft" was still in the hands of the legal advisor awaiting amendment and would then be submitted to the Secretary of State and the Charity Commissioners for approval. It was hoped that this would be implemented as soon as possible.

c) Parish Precept.

The precept had been set at £10,000.00 for the coming year.

d) Refuse Skips.

The Chairman informed the meeting that there were two refuse skips in the village. The dates for these were advertised in the Deddington News. The Council has agreed a site in Earls Lane for a "Bottle Bank" which would be available when the containers were provided by the Oxon. County Council.

e) Clifton Sewage Plant.

Work on the new plant would start soon.

f) A423 Pelican Crossing.

The Council has been pressing for a crossing at the traffic lights, although to date the Highway Dept. had not given authority for this.

g) Bus Token.

The Bus token scheme had been continued this year and was proving popular. Cllr. Cole thanked Cllr. John Cole for the work he had done in this regard.

h) Audit report.

The Audit Commission had been asked by a member of the Parish to investigate the Parish Council's handling of the sale of the old sports field. The Deddington News would be asked to publish the report of the Audit Commission.

i) Vandalism.

The Chairman reported that some vandalism had taken place during the year. A meeting with the Local Police Authority had suggested that the Parish Council would be advised to set up a "Neighbourhood Watch" scheme. It was hoped that the New Council would consider this matter.

j) Parish Clerk

Mrs. Helen Moreton has been appointed as Parish Clerk to succeed Mr. Richard Stratford. The Chairman thanked Mr. Stratford for his work as Clerk. A word processor had now been bought to assist the Clerk in her duties.

k) Conclusion.

Cllr. Fenemore stated that a "new" council had been elected to serve the Parish and he wished the members well.

5. MATTERS OF PUBLIC CONCERN.

The Chairman asked the meeting if there were any matters which they wished to raise. The following matters were raised.

An elector asked for details of the loan of £32,000.00 taken out by the Parish Council, and for what purpose the loan had been taken out. Cllr. Fenemore stated that this was recorded in the minutes and the new Council (or Clerk) would make the details available.

An elector asked when the Audit report would be published in the Deddington News, and it was confirmed that this would be published in the next issue. The same Elector asked when the Trust would be operational. The Clerk confirmed that the final draft was available for discussion before the "new Council" tonight. The Council had attempted to get the Trust Fund operational before this date, but it had not been possible. The Council had done all in could to expedite matters.

Mr. Drake Chairman of the Windmill Centre, thanked Cllr Fenemore and all the Council for its help with regard to the Centre.

An elector asked whether it would be possible to have "water" laid on at the Allotment plots. The Chairman replied that the land was leased to the Council and he hoped the "New Council" would give consideration to this request.

The meeting closed at 7.55 p.m.

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