

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THE

27th SEPTEMBER, 1989.

Present;

Cllrs. Fenemore (Chairman) Hayward, Marmion, Cole, Stevens, Fuller, Webber, Gibbs, Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. Swash and Mrs. Kedge.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. Garvey, Mrs. Garvey and O'Neill.

Also present was County Councillor N. Matthews.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 23rd August were approved subject to amendment as follows:-

Item 1 (c) deleting the name of N. Stone and substituting the name of N. Drake.

Item 1 (c) (1) proposed by Cllr. Hayward seconded by Mrs. Swash.

1. MATTERS ARISING,

a) Sewage at Clifton.

Cllr. Cole stated that he had spoken to Cllr. Colgrave regarding this matter and had sought his assistance to remedy the situation. At present no further information was available.

b) State of Pavements.

A reply had been received regarding this matter, and it appeared that this was receiving attention.

c) State of Road Junction (A423 and B4031)

A reply had been received regarding this matter, which was read to the meeting. It was agreed that the matter was urgent, and that the Clerk write to the County Council to seek early attention.

d) Windmill Centre and Trust Fund.

The Chairman informed the meeting that he had been informed that the Cricket Pitch at the Sports Field needed substantial work to be done to prepare it for winter. A telephone estimate had been received for the sum of £895.00. After much discussion it was agreed that a detailed report and estimate be obtained. It was also agreed that the matter be discussed with Mr. A Barnes.

The Chairman informed the meeting that following a discussion with Mr. Walliker whereby the PC would make application for planning applications to save 50% of the fees, it had been ascertained that the PC might encounter higher legal fees. It was agreed therefore to refer this matter to the Council's legal advisors to seek their opinion.

The Chairman informed the meeting that 3 estimates had now been received for the provision of a road, car parking and drainage for the access to the Windmill Centre. A further estimate was to be received from the Oxford DLO and the Chairman asked the meeting to await receipt of this estimate before making a decision on the matter. Cllr. Webber stated that he was concerned about the plans and would like further investigations made regarding the proposed layout (in particular regarding vehicular access on the East side of building so that vehicles do not cross the path between the Hall and the Field) and that whilst any alteration may add to the costing of this, it was better to get it right before it was too late. The meeting agreed to await receipt of the estimate from the DLO before making any decision in the matter.

The PC had received estimates of work required to be done at the Windmill Centre. These included the provision and installation of heaters, various electrical work and redecoration to the centre. After discussion it was agreed that before all these matters are considered, a 'plan of campaign' should be drawn up by the Windmill Centre. The plan should contain details of any repairs which might be needed to the roof, and to remedy the problem of dampness which had been known to exist. The PC would also require more than one estimate of the work to be done. It was agreed therefore to ask the Windmill Centre to draw up their plans and to submit more estimates of the work which they considered required attention. The matter would be further discussed when these had been received.

The Chairman reported that he had written to Messrs. Johnson & Gaunt Solicitors, regarding the setting up of the Trust Fund. The Solicitors had suggested that the PC budget for the sum of £2,000/£3,000 for legal fees. No approach had yet been made to the Cherwell District Council and the Chairman undertook to raise the matter with them.

It was agreed that a redemption figure be obtained in respect of the outstanding loans. The Clerk was requested to obtain details of the loans in order that the matter be further discussed at a later stage.

e) Deddington Football Club.

Following the decision of the Deddington Football Club not to use the new site, an approach had been received from the Barford Village Club to use the new ground. It was agreed by the PC that Barford use the ground and that they make the necessary arrangements with the Windmill Committee.

f) Barclays Bank.

As yet the enquiries regarding the interest payable on the Council's accounts had not been finalised. It was agreed that where possible the proceeds be invested at the highest rates. The Clerk was requested to pursue this matter and report to the next meeting.

2. RECREATION GROUND CLIFTON.

Cllr. R. Stevens informed the meeting that the grass had now re-grown and asked the meeting to consider putting this land out to contract so that this site could be used as it was intended it would be. At the moment it was in a dangerous state, with ridges in the ground, and very overgrown. Cllr. Stevens suggested that the PC take professional advice to tackle this matter, and that such advice be sought as soon as possible. It was agreed that Cllr. Cole would look into the matter and report at the next meeting. Cllr. Stevens also stated that the small gate had not yet been hung, and that it was agreed that a "plaque" would be put up on this site. It was further agreed that Cllrs. Hayward, Fenemore and Stevens would arrange to have the gate hung and the plaque displayed. With regard to the "hedging" required in this area, Mr. Scott was asked to supply an estimate of this to be considered at the next meeting.

3. FACILITIES OF A SKIP - Hempton Road.

Cllr. Mrs. Stevens asked the PC to consider writing to the District Council to provide an additional waste skip for placement in Hempton Road. Mrs Stevens stated that the skip in Earls Lane was popular, but additional facilities in Hempton Road would be worthwhile. It was agreed that an approach be made to the District Council to provide an additional skip in Hempton Road, and if possible, to be available on alternative dates to that of the skip provided in Earls Lane.

4. LIAISON PARISH MEETING.

Cllr. Cole stated that he had attended the Liaison meeting together with Cllr. R. Stevens. Cllr Cole informed the meeting that the subject of "bus tokens" had come up, and it appeared that a grant might be available to the PC. This matter be further investigated. Cllr. Stevens stated that it had been an excellent meeting and well represented and that it was important that this PC gave notice of any matter that was required to be raised at a subsequent meeting. The matter of receiving replies from the District Council was discussed and the Chief Executive informed that meeting that the Council do not send out acknowledgement cards now, and that a reasonable time should be allowed for a reply. In the event of not receiving a reply to a letter, a reminder should be sent after a reasonable time had elapsed.

5. SCHOOL GOVERNORS.

The Chairman stated that he was aware that certain changes had been made relating to the appointment and service of Governors. However, the position was not clear. County Cllr. Matthews undertook to make enquiries into this and to inform the PC at the next meeting.

6. ITEMS OF CORRESPONDENCE.

A letter had been received from the Deddington Play group seeking the permission of the PC to use the space under the Town Hall to set up cake stalls on 21.10.89; 31.3.90 and 19.5.90. It was agreed that permission be given for these dates.

A letter had been received from Mr. J.E. Cresswell regarding the parking of vehicles in Deddington. The matter was discussed by the meeting and it was agreed that a letter be sent to the Police to see if anything could be done by them to ensure that vehicles are not left parked on pavements, and to see if any other measures could be taken to remedy this situation.

A letter had been received from Cherwell District Council together with a copy of a notice of the making of a Tree Preservation Order in respect of Trees at Castle End, Deddington. This was noted by the meeting.

A letter had been received from Mrs. B. Caporn seeking the provision of a tap to be installed to the water supply for use at the Cemetery. It was agreed that an estimate be obtained from Thames Water for the provision of a "press type" tap to be installed.

A letter had been received from Mr. R. Berridge regarding the weight restriction on the B.4031 through Deddington. Mr. Berridge asked the PC to request the County Council to move the restriction signs so that they would be observed by drivers at an earlier occasion than they were at present. After discussion it was agreed that County Councillor Matthews should take this matter up with the County Council.

A letter had been received from Cherwell District Council seeking an up to date list of organisations in the Parish. It was agreed that this be provided in due course.

A letter had been received from the Windmill Community Centre regarding the Playgroup planning application. The Windmill committee informed the PC that a meeting had been arranged for all interested parties to be held on the 27.9.89. Until this meeting had taken place the Windmill Committee asked that no further action be taken by the PC in respect of the Planning application. It was agreed to defer this matter until the next meeting.

7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

a) No objections were raised to the following planning applications :-

Winnmour Cottage,
Philcote Street,
DEDDINGTON

Demolition and re-erection of
lean-to extension. Replace unsound
beam. (Mr. S. Goodison)

14, The Daedings,
DEDDINGTON

Double glazed PVC conservatory
and patio. (Mr. Flux)

b) Objections were made to the following planning application :-

Maunds Farmhouse,
High Street,
DEDDINGTON

Change of use from guesthouse/
residential to Antique Shop/
residential. (Mr. M.A. Reed)

OBJECTION

The opening of an additional retail establishment would create further carparking difficulties in this area, together with problems relating to the access to this site.

c) The following approvals to Planning Applications were noted:

The Old Bakery, Market Place, Deddington - internal decorations.
Removal of rear section of old bread oven.

7, Windmill Street, Deddington - Alterations and additions to form separate dining room off kitchen and porch to front.

The Knowle, Philcote Street, Deddington - Demolish brick extension and rebuild with Victorian type conservatory.

Garden Cottage. Featherton House, Deddington - Extension to Garden Cottage.

The Orchard, Clifton, Deddington - Conversion of existing outbuilding into accomodation for elderly relative.

St. Anne's Cottage, Clifton - Additional wing to form high dependency unit.(12 single rooms)

d) The following refusal of a Planning Application was noted :-

Manor Court, Hempton Road, Deddington - Erection of stone built detached house with walled private garden.

8. The following accounts were passed for payment :-

Oxfordshire County Council £39.00
(supply of labels for electors)

Thames Water 21.62
(Field, Hempton Road)

Southern Electricity	297.69
(Street lighting)	
Southern Electricity	442.91
(Street Lighting maintenance)	
R.J. Stratford	330.43
(Clerk's salary, postage, photocopying, and misc. items)	
Mrs. Busby	5.00
(Caretaking duties - Town Hall)	
John Boss	30.00
(Maintenance of Cemetery and Castle grounds)	

9. October Meeting.

To be held on Wednesday 25th October, 1989.

10. Meeting closed at 10.00 p.m.