

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on
Wednesday 15 July 1987 in the Village Hall.

Present: Mr E Clarke Chairman
 Mr G Rumble Vice Chairman
 Mr J Ody Treasurer
 Mrs T Cox }
 Mr V Hodgkins } Councillors
 District Councillor T Cox
 Three members of the public also attended.

AGENDA

1. To allow fifteen minutes for residents to ask questions etc.
2. To confirm and sign the minutes of the last meeting.
3. Matters arising from the minutes.
4. Treasurers report and financial matters.
5. To consider any planning matters.
6. To consider letter from Miss Smith regarding the Charity Commissions Draft for the constitution of the Village Hall Committee.
7. Any other business.

1. To allow fifteen minutes for residents to ask questions etc.

No questions were raised and the Chairman proceeded to the next item.

2. To confirm and sign the minutes of the last meeting. The minutes were agreed unanimously and duly signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters arising from the minutes.

(a) Playing field. Oxford County Council preparing lease which will be forwarded by the District Valuer upon receipt.

(b) Garage by Ock Green. Letter from Mrs. Luker was read out, expressing concern about the number of vehicles etc., and hoping that there will be an improvement in the site following representation. It was agreed that Mr. J. Ody would reply to the letter.

(c) Street naming. Mr. V. Hodgkins said that although a mandate to go ahead was given at the Annual Assembly, it should be more fully discussed at a village meeting.
Mr. T. Cox said the Vale of White Horse would pay cost but a decision should be made by the end of October to be included in the next budget. Mr. V. Hodgkins suggested the matter be held over until September and then decide on the number required. This resolution was proposed by Mr. V. Hodgkins and seconded by Mr. J. Ody.

(d) Minibus Committee. Mr. G. Rumble said that he could not now accept this appointment as meetings were on Tuesdays. Mrs T. Cox agreed to take up this duty.

(e) Cherbury News Letter. Mr. G. Rumble agreed to continue to write the notes of the Parish Council Meetings. Mr. V. Hodgkins said that as space was limited, these would have to be kept as short as possible.

4. Treasurers report and financial matters. Mr. J. Ody presented the statement of accounts

MAY 87

Petty Cash	1.42
Current Account	147.62
Deposit Account	<u>47.54</u>
	£196.58

Accounts Paid

Oxfordshire Ass of	
Local Councils	29.60
Parish Clerk	26.00
E J Clarke	20.00
Mrs D Venn	<u>37.50</u>
	£113.10

Income

St. Cleansing	£278.25
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~~EXPENDITURE~~

Bank Charges	£3.46
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JULY 87

Petty Cash	1.42
Current Account	309.31
Deposit Account	<u>47.54</u>
	£358.27

There was an outstanding account for grass cutting (3 cuts). The chairman asked whether the expenditure of £18 on a book entitled: "Local Councils Administration" could be met from Parish Council funds. Mr. V. Hodgkins suggested this should be inscribed: "property of the Charney Bassett Parish Council". This was unanimously agreed. Mr. J. Ody said that he had now been notified that the Audit would take place at Faringdon on the 14th. August and that the books would be available for public inspection from the 7th. July to the 7th. August. Mr. E. Clarke agreed to attend at the audit.

5. To consider any planning matters.

Camden House, Longworth Road. Notification had been received and circulated prior to the meeting regarding an extension to the property. All members had agreed to support the application and a letter had been sent to the Planning Authority. Mr. J. Ody did make a comment to the effect that: "the roof appeared to be high".

"Old Walls", Buckland Road. Notification had been received from the Planning Authority that this application had been refused as it did not conform to the "Design of House Extension".

Mr. T. Cox reported that recently the Vale of White Horse had considered proposals for development on 64 sites throughout the Vale but only 9 were required, none of these were in Charney Bassett.

6. Letter from Mrs. Smith of the Oxford Association of Local Councils regarding the Village Hall Committee. The letter accompanied a draft proposal from Charity Commission regarding constitution of a future Village Hall Committee. The draft had previously been circulated to members of the Parish Council and after some discussion, the following observations were made:

Mr. V. Hodgkins said that as the "under fives club" was no longer functioning, it should be struck out - agreed.

Mr. V. Hodgkins said that new committee would be liable for insurance.

Mr. G. Rumble said that perhaps the new committee could come to some agreement with the Parish Council on this matter.

Mr. V. Hodgkins said that this would have to be decided by the new committee.

Mr. G. Rumble said that he had no other points, he thought that Miss. Smith had covered all matters.

Mr. J. Ody suggested that Mr. V. Hodgkins should continue with the negotiations with Miss. Smith. Mr. V. Hodgkins said that he was prepared to do so providing that it was unanimously agreed - all members agreed. The Chairman then gave the letter and draft to Mr. V. Hodgkins for him to continue negotiations.

There then followed a discussion regarding a meeting to be held to be open to the residents to discuss the proposals for a new Village Hall.

Mr. V. Hodgkins suggested that Miss. Smith should be invited to attend any meeting.

District Councillor T. Cox thought it would be helpful if the Vale of White Horse Finance Officer attended as well.

All members agreed that the date for the open meeting would provisionally be Wednesday the 23rd. September and that the meeting should include Miss. Smith and the Finance Officer.

Mr. V. Hodgkins said that there should be plenty of notice for the meeting and preferably that residents be notified individually.

It was generally agreed after discussion that the meeting would be to primarily ascertain whether the majority of residents thought a new Village Hall was required.

7. Any other business. Mr. J. Ody was concerned about the state of the old school building and questioned whether a letter should be sent to the McBains. After some discussion the Chairman said that the matter should be left in abeyance for the present.

Mr. J. Ody reported that the post and rail fence around Ock Green needed some attention. The Clerk said that he would contact the Highway Authority.

Mrs. T. Cox said that grass cuttings had been left on Ock Green. Mr. V. Hodgkins said that a new machine was now being used and the problem should not recur.

Mrs. T. Cox asked whether a metal grille should be provided for the notice board. Mr. V. Hodgkins said that if this was fixed it would mean that the general public could not display notices without reference to the Parish Council.

The meeting closed at 9:35 p.m.

BON FIRE.