

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Wednesday, 20th May 1987, at 7.30 p.m.

ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA

1. Members of newly elected Parish Council to sign Declaration of Acceptance of office.
2. Election of Officers for the ensuing year.
3. To fix dates and times for future meetings.
4. To make appointments to other Committees etc.
5. Any other business.

1. Members of newly elected Parish Council: viz.

Messrs. V. Hodgkins
E. J. Clarke
J. Ody
G. Rumble and
Mrs. T. Cox

duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance Form.

2. Election of Officers for the ensuing year. The Clerk took the Chair and welcomed the Officers and requested nominations for position of Chairman. Mr. G. Rumble proposed Mr. E. Clarke. this was seconded by Mr. J. Ody. Following a show of hands Mr. E. Clarke was unanimously elected Chairman. Mr. Clarke then took the Chair and requested nominations for Vice Chairman. Mr. J. Ody nominated Mr. G. Rumble. This was seconded by Mr. V. Hodgkins and Mr. Rumble was unanimously elected as Vice Chairman. Mr. Clarke then proposed that Mr. J. Ody continue his office as Treasurer, and this was agreed.

3. To fix date and time of future meetings for 1987/8. The Chairman suggested that Monday be a more convenient day for Summer and Wednesday for Winter. Mr. V. Hodgkins said that a pattern had been established for Wednesdays and any alteration might be confusing. Mr. J. Ody pointed out that there was only one summer meeting left. It was therefore agreed to continue with the present practice, viz. the second Wednesday in every second month. It was, however, further agreed that the next meeting would be 15th July, a Wednesday. Mr. J. Ody requested that if additional meetings were required during the summer these be at 8 p.m. This was agreed.

4. To make appointments to other Committees etc.

Stanford Mini Bus Committee. Mr. K. Ackland had agreed to continue for a further year. Mr. V. Hodgkins said he would stand down and suggested Mr. J. Ody, but Mr. Ody said he must decline. Mr. Ody suggested Mr. R. Mould, but this was not agreed. Mr. E. Clarke suggested Mr. G. Rumble, who said he would accept as duties were not too onerous.

Longworth Charities. Mr. V. Hodgkins said that Mr. D. Douglas appointment was for four years and it was agreed not to change this.

Village Hall Committee. Mr. E. Clarke suggested that this be left until such time as word had been received from O.R.C.C.

5. Any other business. Mr. V. Hodgkins suggested a letter be sent to Mr. D. Douglas on behalf of the Parish Council thanking him for his 8 years service with the Council. This the Clerk agreed to do.

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Chairman

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 20th May 1987, immediately following the Annual Meeting.

Present:	Mr. E. Clarke	Chairman
	Mr. G. Rumble	Vice Chairman
	Mr. J. Ody	Treasurer
	Mrs. T. Cox)	Councillors
	Mr. V. Hodgkins)	

Three members of the public also attended

AGENDA

1. To allow fifteen minutes for residents to ask questions etc.
2. To confirm the minutes of the last meeting.
3. To confirm the minutes of the Special Meeting of 13th April 1987.
4. To confirm the minutes of the Special Meeting of 21st April 1987.
5. Treasurer's Report and any other financial matters.
6. To consider any Planning matters.
7. Letter from District Valuer regarding Playing Field lease.
8. To consider items arising from the Annual Assembly,
9. To report letter from Mr. P. Morgan.
10. Any other business.

1. Fifteen minutes for Residents to ask questions etc. There were no questions and the meeting continued with the next item.

2. To confirm the Minutes of the last meeting. Following a correction to Item 1 which should have read "Charity Commissioners" not "County Council", the minutes were agreed and duly signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising from the Minutes.

(a) Signs on the Green. Mr. E. Clarke commended Mr. V. Hodgkins upon the "No Parking" signs that he had commissioned and erected. There was unanimous agreement on this.

(b) Football Pitch. Mr. J. Ody commented that the marking out had not yet been carried out, but hoped it would be done shortly.

3. Minutes of the Special Meeting held on 13th April.

4. Minutes of the Special Meeting held on 21st April.

These items were duly agreed and signed.

5. Treasurer's Report and Financial Matters. Mr. J. Ody presented the current Statement of the Accounts.

March 1987

Petty Cash	£ 1. 42	
Current Account	8. 12	
Deposit Account	46. 14	£55. 68

Accounts Paid:	Mrs. D. Venn	£ 97. 50	March: April: & May
	Oxfordshire C.C.	£159. 00	

Income:	Precept	£396. 00
	Interest	1. 40

Outstanding	Oxfordshire. Ass.	
Accounts:	of Local Councils	£ 30. 00
	Parish Clerk	20. 00 + £5
	E. J. Clarke	20. 00

May 1987

Petty Cash	£ 1. 42
Current Account	147. 62
Deposit Account	47. 54

Balance	£ 196. 58
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Mr. J. Ody also confirmed that a full Audit was due this year and information on this was awaited.

6. To consider any Planning Matters. Amended plans and application had been received for extension to "Old Walls", Buckland Road. These had been circulated and it was agreed that, since there was no vital difference to the original application, the Clerk reply stating that the Parish Council's previous observations still stood.

7. To consider letter from District Valuer regarding Playing Field Lease. The Chairman read the letter out. After some discussion it was agreed that the Clerk reply to the District Valuer requesting that a Lease be drawn up and presented to the Parish Council for approval. At this time the Parish Council would then consider seeking further advice from the Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils. Mr. J. Ody suggested that the fence between the Playing Field and the Paddock to the north be removed. It was agreed that this be done, since it seemed unlikely that it would be required to replace it at the end of the term. Mr. V. Hodgkins thought that the fence on the south should be repaired.

There followed a general discussion regarding the further possibility of purchasing the land at below market value. Mr. J. Ody had had a meeting with the Executive Committee of Oxfordshire Playing Field Association at which Mr. Sinclair had quoted some Councils that had obtained land on these terms. Mr. Ody produced a letter from the Youth Club asking for a meeting to consider "educational aspects" as referred to by the Charity Commission. Mrs. T. Cox suggested holding a Referendum. Mr. Ody and Mr. Rumble thought this would be inadvisable at this time. Mr. V. Hodgkins said that at the Annual Assembly Meeting it had been agreed that as soon as there was something positive regarding purchase to be discussed a General Village Meeting would be called. It was therefore agreed to leave this matter until the next meeting by which time it might be possible to fix a date for a general meeting sometime in the Autumn. Mr. J. Ody proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Clarke for taking out the shrubby trees at the entrance to the playing field.

8. Matters arising from Annual Assembly.

Street Naming. This was not considered to be necessary, but it was agreed to bring the matter up at the next meeting.

Street Cleaning. Mr. J. Ody reported that Mrs. Venn received £2. 50 per hour for three hours a week and she was satisfied with this. However, it was agreed that she should also be paid during her holiday, which would be taken at her convenience.

Garage by Ock Green. Mr. J. Ody said he would approach the Landlord to put some pressure to bear upon the occupier. Mr. Hodgkins said he had tried the "softly" approach with little effect.

9. To report letter from Mr. P. Morgan, Chapel Lane. Mr. E. Clarke had received a letter from Mr. P. Morgan complaining about noise and nuisance from the Youth Club members using the Village Hall on Friday evenings. Mr. Clarke said he had had an amicable meeting with Mr. Morgan and Mr. Ody said things had improved recently.

Mr. V. Hodgkins said that since the letter was not addressed to the Parish Council he felt that there was no call for a reply. This was agreed. Mr. G. Rumble commented that although the Youth Club was a valuable function it should not grow too large for the Hall and that the Leader should ensure this. Mr. J. Ody said there was a limit of 50 and attendance was 40/45.

10. Any other business.

Cherbury News Letter. Mr. V. Hodgkins said that when Chairman he was responsible for writing this and arranging publication. He asked what the procedure would be now adopted following change of Chairmanship. Mr. E. Clarke said he would discuss the matter with him.

Vote of Thanks to Mr. V. Hodgkins. Mr. J. Ody proposed a vote of thanks and appreciation to Mr. Hodgkins for his continuous work for the Parish Council and the Parish as a whole, during his 35 years of office. This was unanimously given.