

PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

The Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on
y, 4th January, 1993, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 7.45p.m..

Present: Councillors Mr. Bax (Chairman), Mrs. Barlow, Dr. Bell,
Audle, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lewis, Mrs. Mole, Mr. Thomas and Mr.
son (for part of the Meeting). Also, County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Bell, Mr. Pardey
r. Stimpson (for absence from the earlier part of the Meeting).

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 7th December, 1992, were
ed and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Divestment of Responsibilities of Official Custodian for
ies - Para.5(a)

The Clerk reported that response had now been received from the
ies Official Investment Fund saying that it was prepared to
er either the Parish Council or the Drayton Hall and Recreation
Management Committee as supervisory contact for the investment
ents for recoupment fund needs for the Drayton Village Hall
recreation Ground Charity.

olved to conclude that as the Parish Council made the payments
vestment it would probably be best if it (as Custodian Trustees
Charity) be registered as contact for the investment management
out by the Charities Official Investment Fund but that the
of the Drayton Hall and Recreation Ground Management Committee (as
ent Trustees of the Charity) be sought on this continued
ent.

Local Government Review - Role of Parish Councils - Para.5(b)

Clerk reported receipt of a communication from the Vale of
rse District Council, proposing further meetings for discussion
subject and involving representatives of the District Council
to three representatives of Parish Councils, Grouped according
and approximate precept income. The meetings would be held
lon during 1993.

ved to accept the District Council's proposals and that the
e represented, at meetings, by the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and

Footway and Verge Damage, High Street - Para.1

Clerk reported that the damage referred to in this Paragraph
areas of High Street, noted as worthy of attention, had been
to the County Council Area Engineer and he had responded with
ation that work would be carried out on five locations
and an assessment would also be made for consideration of
ance to refurbish generally the High Street footways and
Mrs. Mole gave details of locations where work had commenced.

ed to note the position.

Whitehorns Way Sewers - Para.6

ll reported that Dr. Graham of Whitehorns Way, who had made
presentation on the failure of the Authorities to publicly
Sewers had now made further communication on the subject to
son, MP. This correspondence, of which he had been given
ated that Dr. Graham was prepared for the Parish Council to

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in support of his case. Dr. Bell explained that the District Council could still not exercise the process for consideration of public adoption of the Sewers unless receiving formal application to do so. It was possible for himself, as District Councillor, or Parish Council to make an application on behalf of Whitehorns residents.

Resolved, because of the absence of resident representation to it, that the Parish Council not make formal application for adoption of the Whitehorns Way Sewers but it inform the District Council that an application to it on behalf of residents by Dr. Bell has Parish Council support because of its concern that the problem of the sewers should be solved, without endless delay, in the public health interest of the Drayton community.

Applications for Permission to Carry Out Development

There were not any planning matters before the Council for consideration.

Financial Matters:

(a) Budgets 1992/3 and 1993/4 and Precept 1993/4

The Council received the report and related financial statement previously circulated and copies appended with this Minute Book (1) of the Meeting of the Finance Committee held on the 14th November, 1992.

Resolved to adopt the recommendations in the Committee's report,

(i) Para.3(a) in respect of the Revised Budget for 1992/3 and with regard to the quotation for cutting the Allotment/Burial hedge, Mr. Green be asked to carry out the work forthwith.

(ii) Para.3(b) in respect of Budgeted Expenditure for 1993/4 to confirm increase in the Clerk's expense allowance to £350 per annum from the 1st April, 1993.

(iii) Para.3(c) for Precept of £11,000 for 1993/4.

(iv) Para.4(a)(i) that Allotment Holder rents not be increased in the Financial Year 1993/4.

(v) Para.4(c) in respect of Recreation Grant Application to County Council.

(b) Donations Budgeted for Payment 1992/3

Resolved that cheques be drawn for payment of donations as follows:

	£
Abingdon and District Citizens Advice Bureau	50.00
Abingdon and District Volunteer Centre	50.00
Oxfordshire Playing Fields Association	30.00

(c) Accounts for Payment

The Council had the following Accounts before it for approval:

	£
M.F. Green - Litter clearance, December	18.00
Oxford City Council - Agenda Printing	10.40
" " " "	4.80
Clerk - Salary (£177.94) & Expenses (£25) January	202.94
Thames Water - Burial Ground Water Supply	23.69
Drayton Hall - Room Hire	30.00

Resolved that the Accounts be approved and cheques drawn for payment.

Drayton Hall Car Park

With reference to Min.10 of the meeting on the 7th December, 1992, Mr. Caudle explained to the Council his proposal that the entry/egress of vehicles using the Car Park be controlled by a lockable gate, which could be opened when the Hall/Recreation Ground area was in use and an adjoining unit of surface inset barriers, which could be in a recline position for the passage of vehicles leaving the Park. This facility would thus allow vehicles to leave the Park at any time but they could not enter when the gateway was officially closed.

The Clerk reported a communication received from the County Area Engineer, with reference to Min.9 of the Council's meeting on the 2nd November, 1992. This raised some queries on detail of Mr. Bisby's plan for revision of the lay-out of the Car Park; he noted that the area for car parking could be extended to prevent "street" parking and pointed out that planning permission would be required for revision of the parking facilities.

Resolved to

a) agree in principle with Mr. Caudle's proposals for control of Car Park use by vehicles and to request that he discuss the same with Mr. von Hoven, Chairman of the Hall and Recreation Ground Management Committee, to ascertain his views with regard to firm implementation of the proposals.

b) note that the Clerk would forward a copy of the Area Engineer's comments for the information of Mr. Bisby.

Play Area Mattersa) Lock-Way Play Area Fence

With reference to Min.11(a) of the 7th Dec., 1992, the Clerk noted that Mr. Herring had commenced installation of the new fencing of the Lock-Way boundary of the Play Area but could not complete the installation because he still awaited replacement of panels which had been damaged when received from the Supplier. The Council noted the situation.

b) Renewal/Addition to Play Equipment at Lock-Way Play Area

Mrs. Mole explained that, following receipt of a grant from the District Council and other funds raised, the Drayton Recreation Action Plan was only a few hundred pounds short of the sum required to install "safe-play" surfaces, the two new items of equipment purchased in the Plan. The Clerk pointed out that V.A.T. expense recovered from the equipment would probably offset the shortfall in cash from D.R.A.G..

Resolved that D.R.A.G., via Mrs. Mole, be requested to now present to the Parish Council the funds raised for "safe-play" surface installation of the new items of play equipment purchased and if money is in hand, from VAT recovery on the equipment purchased, did not cover the shortfall in funding the installation cost the Parish Council would cover the deficiency, in making and paying for the order and install the equipment.

c) Application to County Council for Grant Aid

With reference to Min. 4(c) of the Finance Committee Meeting on the 7th December, 1992, the Council noted a report by Mrs. Mole and the Clerk on the preparation and submission of an Application to the Hampshire County Council for Grant toward the continuing improvement of the Lock-Way Play Area.

ment Gardens

ved, with reference to Min.7 of the 7th December, 1992 and of the Finance Committee Meeting on the 14th December, 1992,

lotment Holder Representatives be invited to a meeting with al Purposes Committee, at 7.15p.m. on Monday, 1st February, consider a tenancy agreement for allotment holders and also agreements for collection of rent in the Financial Year 1993/4. on the basis that the Council must retain ownership of the a, in Church Lane, of the Allotments land, to permit direct access to the Allotments being created, the Clerk communicate two residents who at present rent part of the entry land, er of the Council's conclusion and confirm their present res, to allow the Council consideration of the ongoing rental ents to apply, pending development use of the access area.

Communications Received:

Clerk reported and the Council noted, details of the following communications received:

-) Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils Information Circular
-) Vale of White Horse District Council Environmental Annual Report 1991/92; 6/92;
-) Vale of White Horse District Council "Planning and Development" Report April-September, 1992.

Matters Raised by Councillors:

-) Provision of Facilities for the Village Youth

Chairman asked that this subject be placed on the Agenda for next meeting.

-) Broken Water Stand-Pipe, near Almshouses, High Street

Mr. Stimpson reported that the tap section of supply pipe had been broken and Mr. Caudle offered to examine it to see if repair was possible.

-) Obstruction to Bus Stop Waiting Area, High Street

Mr. Stimpson reported that the "hard-standing" recently installed by County Council to assist persons using the Bus Stop in High Street, near to Church Lane, was often obstructed by vehicles parked on High Street, thereby creating difficulties for elderly persons using the Bus Stop.

Resolved that the Clerk write to Mr. Thouless, of 33, High Street, requesting his assistance in requesting persons parking vehicles by his or adjoining properties, to avoid obstructing the Bus Stop waiting/setting down area.

Next Meeting

Resolved to confirm that the Council's next meeting be at 7.45p.m. on 1st February, 1993.



CHAIRMAN.

PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance Committee, held on 7th December, 1992, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 7.45P.M..

Present: Councillors Mr. Stimpson (Chairman), Mr. Bax, Mr. Caudle, and Mr. Thomas.

Apology for Absence

Apology for absence was received from Mrs. Mole.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee, held on the 7th December, 1991, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Parish Council Budgets 1992/93 and 1993/94 and Precept 1993/94

The Clerk submitted a Statement, (copy previously circulated), showing the Council's Expenditure and Balances in 1990/91 and 1991/2; the Final Budget for 1992/3 and probable revision of this, with the Balances, in the light of the current position with regard to the future.

The Clerk also reminded the Committee of the following items which were included in it within the Minutes of the Council Meeting on the 7th December last, i.e.

- Funding of the Allotment/Burial Ground Boundary Hedge - Min.7(c)
- Contribution toward Employment Costs of District Council Neighbourhood Scheme Co-ordinator - Min.14.

The Clerk also reported on communications in respect of:
• Subscription Fees, received from The Council for Protection of Rural England (respecting increased fee) and from S.P.I.S.E. (Sane Parks Initiative in the South-East) and Litter Link, (inviting new fee arrangements).

• Donations, received from the Abingdon Volunteer Centre and the Oxfordshire Playing Fields Association (both already supported by the Council) and The Oxford Samaritans and Oxford Council of Disabled People (both new Charity Applications). Also, an Appeal to its Members by the Council for Protection of Rural England to support a Special Publicity Campaign with regard to loss of land to Rural Development.

The Chairman stated that in offering her apology for absence Mrs. Mole had requested that the Committee consider financial provision for an improved Parish Council Notice Board and for creation of some facilities for use by local teenagers.

In the course of its considerations the Committee concluded that it would not recommend the Council to make any new Subscription Fee arrangements nor Donations to other bodies; in this respect and with regard to Charities it being difficult to make judgement on priority. With regard for support for the District Council Neighbourhood Co-ordinator costs, the Committee felt that this could be considered again if any Schemes were founded at Drayton.

The Committee resolved to Recommend to the Council in relation to the Financial Statement now attached, that its

- Revised Budget for 1992/93 be as shown, it being noted that this (i) includes provision for accepting Mr. Green's quotation of £1000 for cutting the Allotment/Burial Ground Boundary hedge;
- (ii) provides for continued donations to the Citizens Advice Bureau; Volunteer Centre (at increased level) and the Playing Fields Association).

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(b) Budgeted Expenditure for 1993/94 be as shown, it be that

(1) this proposes increase in the Clerk's Annual Exp Allowance;

(ii) does not provide for any special project(s) which arise from the matters of Drayton Hall Car Park Security

ownership or creation of Teenager Facilities. In the Co view consideration for finance toward such items could, in detail, be made in relation to reserve fund balances.

(c) Precept for 1993/4 be £11,000 (as for 1991/92).

4. Other Financial Matters Considered

(a) Allotment Income

Resolved to Recommend that

(1) Allotment Holder rents not be varied for the Year (ii) as the Council has not been provided with any detail for use and rental payment of the Allotments access

present adjoining householders, they be requested to copy documents they possess to the Council, to assist consider future arrangements for use of the access land.

(b) Community Recreation Grants - Oxfordshire County C

Resolved, on information from the Clerk on the facility Grant Application, to Recommend that together with Mrs. Moore Recreation Committee Chairman, he prepare and submit Application Grant assistance for ongoing development of Play Facilities Parish.

(c) Drayton Hall and Recreation Ground Charity

The Clerk reported that in consequence of the Government divestment arrangements for the responsibilities of the Char Commissioners it was necessary for the Council to re-direct annual payment of £50.50 to the Charity's Recoupment Fund, Standing Order arrangement with the Official Custodian for to similar payment to the Charities Official Investment Fund. Resolved that three Members of the Committee sign the authorisation to the T.S.B. Bank to cancel the existing Standing Order and replace it with a new one for the annual payment Charities Official Investment Fund.

CHAIRMAN

PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

PERIOD 1990/91 & 1991/92 FOR INFORMATION; BUDGET 1992/93 AND
 PERIOD FOR 1992/93 AS CURRENTLY ESTIMATED; 1993/94 BUDGET

	1990/91	1991/92	1992/93	1992/93	1993/94
	ACT. EXP	ACT. EXP	BUDGET	EST. EXP	BUDGET?
	£	£	£	£	
Salary	1902.75	2018.82	2300.00	2112.00	2150.00
	219.96	243.41	300.00	300.00	350.00
	65.63	88.32	100.00	130.00	140.00
Calls	17.85	33.00	40.00	95.00	80.00
Copy/Printing	140.46	198.00	200.00	200.00	220.00
	60.75	72.00	100.00	90.00	100.00
	318.63	208.08	230.00	190.00	220.00
	189.75	217.37	230.00	235.00	250.00
Loc. Cos.	145.00	142.00	150.00	149.00	160.00
Bus. Journal	7.50	8.30	10.00	10.00	10.00
Fieldpaths Soc.	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Prot. of Rur. Eng.	-	-	-	12.00	15.00
Rur. Comm. Co.	-	-	-	10.00	10.00
Village Comp.	6.00	8.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Mail Rec. Payt.	50.50	50.50	50.50	51.00	51.00
Courses etc.	4.95	5.00	50.00	20.00	50.00
Council Elections	-	37.00	-	-	-
FOR OTHER					
GRANTS					
- Total Provisn.			200.00	200.00	200.00
GRANTS TO: £					
Ambulance	-	50.00			
Fund	25.00	25.00		* (£25)	
Bureau	50.00	50.00		* (50)	
Col. Centre	30.00	30.00		* (50)	
ing Fields Assoc.	-	30.00		* (30)	
ial R' burbshmnt.	200.00	-			
shmnt. Cttee.	50.00	-			
Action Group	50.00	-			
GROUND					
ing	328.50	372.00	400.00	350.00	400.00
keep	44.99	52.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
er	41.74	35.72	40.00	40.00	40.00
acement Fund	-	-	500.00	500.00	500.00
CREATION GRDS.					
ing	-	102.00	200.00	260.00	260.00
ing	-	-	100.00	-	-
inance	130.87	201.55	250.00	500.00	500.00
	1316.30	1084.41	1000.00	5300.00	1000.00
ase - Purchase	75.00	880.12	-	-	-
ward	5474.13	6244.60	6608.50	10912.00	6864.00

PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on 7, 1st February, 1993, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 7.45p.m..

Present: Councillors Mr. Bax (Chairman), Mrs. Barlow, Mrs. Bell, Mr. Bell, Mr. Caudle, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lewis, Mrs. Mole, Mr. Pardey, Simpson and Mr. Thomas.

The Members of the Public were also present.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 4th January, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

(a) Divestment of Responsibilities of Official Custodian for Sites - Para.3(a)

The Council noted a report by the Clerk that he understood from Mr. Hoven, Chairman of the Hall Committee, that the Committee requested the Council to have ongoing responsibility for liaison with the Council's Official Investment Fund in respect of the investment in Drayton Village Hall and Recreation Ground Charity Recoupment. The Hall and Recreation Ground Committee was to confirm this in writing).

(b) Local Government Review - Role of Parish Councils - Para.3(b)

The Council noted a report by the Clerk that the first meeting by the District Council, for consultation with the Parish Council Group which included Drayton, would be held on Thursday, 11th February, 1993, at the Guildhall, Abingdon.

Whitehorns Way Sewers - Para.3(d)

The Clerk reported that the District Council Chief Environmental Officer had acknowledged the Parish Council's communication and stated that, together with Dr. Bell's representation, it would be considered by the District Council Environmental Services Committee on the 27th January last. It was understood that this Committee had decided against recommendation of public adoption of the sewer. This conclusion would now enable Dr. Bell to Appeal in writing the Decision to the Director General of Water Services. Dr. Bell confirmed that he was awaiting formal notice of the District Council's decision before processing appeal action.

The Council resolved to note the present position.

Applications for Permission to Carry Out Development:

The Council had the following Application before it for consideration of the Planning Committee's Action;

<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Decision</u>
Erection of dwelling and garage, Land adjng. 6, The Green, Mr.J.Morris.	No Objection

The Council resolved to confirm the Planning Committee's action.

The Council had before it the following Planning Decision;

<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Par.Coun.Obsvns.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
Temporary storage of forty skips for tipping, Landfill site, Peep-O-Day Lane, Sutton Wick, J.Curtis & Son Ltd..	No Objection	Granted

The Council resolved to note the County Council's decision.

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(c)Thames Water Utilities Proposed New Reservoir - South West
bingdon

Further to Min.8(c) of the 2nd November, 1992, the Clerk
rted a communication from Thames Water Utilities stating it had
elected a site for its new reservoir and inviting the Parish
il's Chairman to a presentation on its proposals, to be given
bingdon Lodge Hotel, on the 9th February, 1993. Additionally, a
est that arrangements be agreed for a public meeting in the
h, to enable local residents to question and discuss details
Thames Water officials.

Resolved to

- (i) confirm the attendance of the Chairman at the 9th
ary presentation.
- (ii) seek to arrange, with Thames Water Facilities, a Drayton
h Public meeting, during March next.

Financial Matters:

(a)The Council had before it the following Accounts for Approval
ayment;

	£
N.F. Green - Litter Clearance, January	18.00
Oxford City Council - Agenda Printing	8.00
Oxfordshire County Council - Contribution on) transfer of lighting responsibility)	1500.00
Clerk - Salary(£177.94)and Expenses(£25)February	202.94

Resolved that the Accounts be approved and cheques drawn for
payment.

(b)Transfer of Funds

Resolved, on application by the Clerk, that £2,500 be
ferred from the Council's Investment Account to its Current
nt, (by authority of the three approved signatories).

(c)Precept 1993/94

Resolved, with ref. to Min.5(a)(iii) of the previous meeting,
ote a report by the Clerk of a communication from the District
il, which indicated that payment of the Parish Precept for a
Band Council Tax Payer would be £13.16, (other band payers
g proportionately higher or lower than this, according to
erty valuation scale).

Drayton Hall Car Park - Security

With reference to Min.6 of the previous meeting, Mr. Caudle
rted that, in relation to his proposals for the Car Park Gateway,
ad spoken to Mr. von Hoven, Chairman of the Hall Committee, who
said that he would arrange for their consideration at the
ittee's next meeting, on the 17th February. Mr. Pardey, the
sh Council's representative to the Hall Committee reported that
previous meeting the Committee had agreed to proceed with the
ed kerb" lay-out of the Car Park but had firstly to submit to
Insurers, for consideration, an application for "cover" for this.

Resolved to note the position.

Recreation Matters:

(a)Lock-Way Play Area Fence

With reference to Min.7(a) of the previous meeting, the
cil noted a report by the Clerk that Mr. Herring, M.R.H.Services,
ed to complete, within the week, renewal of the fence along the
-Way boundary line of the Play Area.

Renewal/Addition of Play Equipment - Lock-Way Play Area

Mole reported, with reference to Min.7(b) of the previous meeting that the Drayton Recreation Action Group was in the process of making its donation arrangements, to proceed with its proposals.

Broken Gate Fitting - Lyford Close Play Area

With reference to Min.11(b) of the 7th December, 1992, the Clerk advised a quotation received from M.R.H. Services for repair of the gate for the sum of £20.

Resolved that M.R.H. Services quotation be accepted.

Facility for Village Youth

The Chairman spoke of his concern that young persons in the village had nowhere to go during evening times, where they could amuse themselves without offence to others. He proposed and it was agreed, that prior to further consideration of this by the Council, he would, with the assistance of Mrs. Mole, Chairman of the Recreation Committee, canvass the views of the Drayton Hall Football Club; the Football Club; Drayton Recreation Action Group and, the Drayton Chronicle, seek any public comment on the subject.

Allotment Gardens

With reference to Min.8 of the previous meeting;

Mr. Caudle, Chairman of the General Purposes Committee, advised that prior to the Council's meeting the Committee had met the Allotment Holder Representatives and agreed the terms for a new agreement, to be effective from the 1st April, 1993 and in line with the National Association of Local Councils Model Agreement. The Allotment Holder Representatives, Messrs. Cox, Currey and Spencer had undertaken to collect rents from Tenants, for the period 1993/4 and the Clerk would be drawing up suitable documents for the administration of this.

(b) the Clerk reported that he had written to the two Church Lane allotments who had use of part of the Allotments entry area and had not received response from either, to date.

Resolved to note the reports made and in respect of (a) to (b) the arrangements agreed between the General Purposes Committee and the Allotment Holder Representatives.

County Council Review of Petty Sessional Divisions

The Clerk reported details of a communication from Oxfordshire County Council, enclosing proposals to be considered by its Magistrates' Courts Committee, which included a recommendation that Abingdon Court-house be closed, on a date to be agreed. This would result in persons who would have used the Abingdon facility having to travel to Court at Didcot or Wantage.

Resolved that the County Council be informed of the Parish Council's opposition to closure of the Abingdon Magistrates Court-house and the loss of the traditional association of Drayton with Abingdon for administrative purposes and the travel difficulties between Drayton and Didcot and Wantage for persons without private transport.

"Neighbourhood Watch" Schemes

The Chairman reported that some local residents had indicated an interest in creation of "neighbourhood watch" schemes at Drayton, but there were not being any at present.

Resolved that Hilary Green, the District Council employed "Neighbourhood Watch" Co-ordinator be invited to the Council's next meeting to talk on the subject and that interested members of the public be invited to the meeting.

ad Surface/Lighting Conditions - Steventon Road by A34 "Flyover"

The Council noted a report by the Clerk that, following information from Mrs. Bell, he had reported to the County Area Engineer that surface flooding was occurring on the Steventon Roadway, mainly because of mud blocked drains. Further, that the County had been requested to retain the improved lighting it had installed on Steventon Road, near to the "Flyover", (apparently to prevent vehicle access to the A34, during repairs), because it has an advantage for the Steventon Road.

Providing Care in Local Communities" - Social Services

Mr. Edwards addressed the Council on a meeting he had attended on the 14th January, 1993, which had been arranged jointly by the Parish Council Social Services Department and the County Local Authorities Association. He circulated for information and explained, the proposals of Oxfordshire Family Health Services Authority for "providing care in the Local Community", in consequence of Government cuts in health services.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Edwards for his attendance at the Grove and report to the Council.

Environmental Matters:a) Best Kept Village Competition, 1993

Resolved, on report by the Clerk of the Competition details for that the Council enter the Competition.

b) National Spring Clean, 16th-25th April, 1993

The Clerk reported details received from the White Horse District Council on its "Litter Blitz" arrangements for 1993 in support of the National Spring Clean.

Resolved that

(i) the Parish Council do what it is able toward the 1993 "Litter Blitz" and seek the active support of local Groups where possible.

(ii) the District Council be requested to supply litter sacks gratuitously and that these be distributed by Mr. Stimpson and Mrs. Stimpson as suitable.

c) "Village Caretaker" Contract

The Chairman reported that Mr. Tony Warwick of 210, Steventon Road offered his services as a "Village Care-taker" to undertake public area work which improved the local environment. The Clerk pointed out that for some years the Council had tried, without success, to recruit some person to do similar work.

Resolved that Mr. Warwick be informed that the Council would be prepared for him to do "Village Caretaking" work, by private contract. The contract would require submission of a monthly bill and in addition to this the Council would not pay more than £4 an hour for work carried out nor would it use his services for more than 20 hours in the period April to September inclusive and more than 10 hours a month during the period October to March inclusive.

d) Grasscutting/Litter Clearance Contract 1993/94

The Clerk pointed out that the present contract with Mr. Green expires on the 31st March, 1993. Mr. Green had been employed for the last two years because of his lowest quotation for the work carried out.

Resolved that Mr. Green be offered the opportunity to renew his contract for the year 1993/94, subject to his confirmation of what his charges will be and these being acceptable to the Council.

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Salvation Army Clothing Bank, Drayton School

The Clerk reported that Mr. Vickers, the District Council Officer, had informed him that the Salvation Army was concerned with the level of use of the Clothing Bank and therefore considering withdrawing it from the School site.

Resolved that Mr. Vickers be informed that the School location is not suitable to persons having association with the School; the Public House Car Park, Abingdon Road, as previously discussed, is a more prominent site but, generally, Drayton residents need the Clothing Bank within the County Council's Household area at Steventon Road.

Memorial Tree Planting to Mr. Hicks

The Clerk reported that the Council had undertaken responsibility (Min.8(b) of 6/1/92) to plant a tree in memory of Mr. Dick at the request of his Masonic Lodge, which would meet the costs. Greenacres had been agreed but the tree planting had still not taken place.

The Chairman said that he would endeavour to arrange immediate action on the proposed planting.

Communications Received:

The Clerk reported details of correspondence received in

Traffic North of Didcot - River Thames Crossings - Letter from County Engineer regarding a meeting at Abingdon on the 17th February 1993, to which one Member of the Council was invited.

Appointment of Transport Co-ordinator for Disabled Persons of White Horse Area - Letter from Oxon Council for consideration.

County Council Play/Recreation Grants - Letter from Oxon Association, pointing out inadequacy of County budgeting and suggesting representation to local County Councillor.

Resolved in respect of

that Mr. Caudle attend the 17th February meeting.

That the communication be referred to Mrs. Stimpson (Transport Rep.) and that communication on the situation be made to County Councillor Caudle.

Matters Raised by Councillors:

Broken Lych Gate to War Memorial

Resolved, on report by Mr. Stimpson that he had found a gate broken and this, via the Clerk, had been referred to Mr. Buckingham (County Engineer) for the Gate, for the repair need, to confirm this action.

Obstruction of Lyford Close Entry Area by Parked Vehicles

Mrs. Lewis queried whether it was possible, by road markings, to solve this problem and it was agreed by the Council, from past experience, that the County Council, as Highway Authority would not be involved in relation to it.

Henleys Lane Roadside Footway - Surface affected by Leaves

The Chairman said that he would arrange attention to an area on Henleys Lane by Mrs. Bell as potentially hazardous.

Next Meeting

Resolved to confirm that the next meeting would be on Monday, 1st February 1993.

PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on 1st March, 1993, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 7.45p.m..

Present: Councillors Mr. Bax, (Chairman); Mrs. Barlow, Mrs. Bell, Caudle, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lewis, Mrs. Mole, Mr. Pardey, Stimpson and Mr. Thomas.

Five Members of the Public were also present.

Apology for Absence

An apology for absence was received from Dr. Bell.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 1st February, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

a) Local Government Review - Role of Parish Councils - Para.2(b)

The Clerk reported on receipt from the District Council of an "Agenda" for those attending the Meeting on the 4th March, and the Council noted that the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Clerk, should be attending the Meeting, had copies of the basic Agenda.

b) Road Surface Floodwater, Steventon Road - Para.10

The Council noted a report by the Clerk of a communication from County Council Area Engineer, which acknowledged the occurrence of ice flooding on the Steventon Road and explained that it was due to drainage maintenance needs for the A34 major road and the same was now being dealt with.

c) Traffic North of Didcot, River Thames Crossings - Para.13(a)

Mr. Caudle reported on the Meeting held on the 17th February, 1993, Abingdon, by Mr. J. Fletcher, Assistant County Engineer. This had revealed that there was not prospect of a southern by-pass for Abingdon new bridge over the Thames in the foreseeable future. Traffic lights were to be installed on Culham Bridge but, directly concerning the town, traffic calming measures for the High Street had low priority consideration. Mr. Caudle had himself raised the considerations of extension of the Steventon Road speed restriction further towards Steventon and the need for two pedestrian crossings on the Drayton to Abingdon Road. These had not however received response of positive consideration for action.

Resolved to note the information given by Mr. Caudle and to thank him for his attendance at the meeting.

d) Divestment of Responsibilities of Official Custodian for Charities - Para.2(a)

The Clerk reported that formal communication was still awaited from the Drayton Hall Committee, in confirmation of its apparent opinion that supervision of the Recoupment Fund remain with the Parish Council. With regard to the Fund itself, notice had been received from the Charities Official Investment Fund indicating that the Accumulation Share holding in the Fund had, at the 31st December, a current valuation of £3,954.50, in relation to investment to date of £858.50.

Resolved to note the Clerk's report.

e) Broken Lych Gate to War Memorial - Para.14(a)

The Council noted a report by Mr. Stimpson that the Gate had now been very satisfactorily repaired by Mr. Buckingham.

Proposed New Reservoir, South West of Abingdon

reference to Min.3 (c) of the previous meeting, the reported on attendance at the Thames Water Utilities presentation at Abingdon on the 9th February, 1993 and the of shock amongst those present because of the size of now proposed. The Clerk reported that the Water Company had to give a public presentation at Drayton and this had arranged for 7.30p.m. on Tuesday, 13th April, 1993, at Drayton

Clerk also reported details of a motion, opposing the as proposed, adopted by the Vale of White Horse District meeting on the 17th February last. Further, the District had invited all Members of the Parish Council to a meeting Reservoir which would be held at the Guildhall, Abingdon, on Friday, 26th March, 1993.

After extensive discussion of the subject, the Council resolved

that it record its conclusion that the proposed Reservoir is unacceptable and that it support the District Council's views scale is appalling and shocking and its size,"of 900 football with 80ft. high embankments would be an environmental eyesore heart of the Vale of White Horse.

that as many Members as possible would attend the District Council's meeting on the 26th March next. Further, the Council suggest to the East Hanney and Steventon Parish Councils that occasional joint representative meetings, as the Parishes directly affected, in the interest of a common understanding and on the Reservoir development.

to confirm the arrangements for the Thames Water presentation on 13th April next and request the Thames Water Company to be at that meeting, if possible, some graphic detail indicating the Reservoir could have on locations in the Parish, the Oxford Close area, which would have prominence in viewing the Reservoir.

General Planning Matters:

The Council had before it the following Development Applications for Confirmation of the Planning Committee's Action:

<u>P.C.</u>	<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Decision</u>
4995/1.2	Peep O' Day Lane, Oxcon Ltd..	No Objection
169/2	Change of Use of Garage to living accommodation, erect garage & access. 85, Abingdon Road, Mr.&Mrs.Dix.	-do-
476/8	Conversion of Car Port to bedroom, etc., Erect Conservatory. The Garden Studio, Gravel Lane, Dr.&Mrs.Martin.	Recommend Refusal

Clerk reported receipt by the Parish Council of a copy letter of objection to this Application, sent to the District Council by Mr. L. Barnard of 2, Gravel Lane).

13054	Erection on non-illum. sign, 9, The Green, Mr. Cunningham.	No Objection
	Siting of Mobile Home, land adj. to Brook Farm, Milton Rd., Mr.&Mrs. Humphrey.	Recommend Approval

Resolved to confirm the Planning Committee's action.

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(b) The Council had before it the following Decisions of the Planning Authority;

	<u>Prop.Development</u>	<u>Par.Coun.Obsvns.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
	Change of use of garage, Erect new garage&access,85, Abingdon Rd.,Mr&Mrs.Dix	No Objection	Permit
1-D	Erection of dwelling & Garage,land adjg.6,The Green,Mr.Morris.	-do-	-do-

(c) Department of Environment Public Enquiry in to Appeal from, of "East Paddocks", Drayton Mill against Planning Enforcement Action by the Vale of White Horse District Council

Resolved to note, without further action, details given by and seen by the Planning Committee, of an Appeal by Mr. [Name] against issues subject of planning enforcement action notices [Name] him by the District Council; the Appeal hearing to be at [Date] on the 16th March, 1993.

(d) Department of Environment Inspector Decision on Appeal by Paul Caudwell Trust, with regard to refused development Application for 9, Gravel Lane

Resolved to note a report by the Clerk on a communication from the Department of the Environment detailing it's Inspector's decision for refusal of the Appeal by the Paul Caudwell Trust.

(e) Proposed Felling of Walnut Tree, 83, High Street

The Clerk reported details of an application made to the District Council for permission to fell the Tree on safety grounds. Application had been circulated to the Planning Committee which decided that "No Objection" be made to the felling of the tree.

Resolved that the District Council be informed that the Council had "No Objection" to the tree being felled.

"Neighbourhood Watch Schemes"

The Council for this Item suspended the formal business of meeting to allow Hilary Green, "Neighbourhood Watch" Co-ordinator for the Vale of White Horse District Council, to address and discuss with all persons present the subject of "Neighbourhood Watch Schemes".

Hilary Green explained the arrangements for operation of schemes and the role she undertook as Co-ordinator for the Vale of White Horse District Council's area. She dealt with questions on the subject and made available literature to allow further consideration of a scheme or schemes at Drayton. On behalf of all present the Chairman thanked her for her attendance and helpful talk.

Financial Matters:

(a) The Council had the following Accounts before it for payment;

Services - Installation of Play Area Fence(£300))	£
Quarterly Inspection of Play Areas(£13)	313.00
Green - Litter Clearance February	18.00
Hire Rural Community Council-"Best Kept" Village)	8.00
Contribution,1993 - Entry Fee	
Salary (£177.94)and Expenses(£25)March;Post(£22.21)	235.75
Telephone Calls(£10.60)Dec-Feb inclusive.	

Resolved that the Accounts be approved and cheques drawn for their payment.

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(b) Recreation Ground Grasscutting Undertaken by Football Club

The Clerk reported details of a communication received from Football Club setting out the total cost of £285 for the of the Recreation Ground grass between the period April to er, 1992 and requesting that, as previously, the Parish Council alf of the cost.

Resolved that Drayton Football Club be paid the sum of toward the grasscutting costs and that a cheque be drawn ingly.

(c) Council for Protection of Rural England - Donation Request

Resolved, on report by the Clerk of a request from the for Protection of Rural England for a special donation toward a campaign to prevent intrusion of the Countryside by building ment, not to respond to the request but to continue to support ncial by annual membership subscription.

Environmental Matters:

(a) National Spring Clean, 16th-25th April, 1993

With reference to Min.12(b) of the previous meeting, the reported that arrangements had been made for delivery, by the t Council of Litter Sacks to Mrs. Mole and Mr. Stimpson. He ed that Councillors notify him of any suggested organisation to acted in relation to the availability of the Sacks.

(b) Grasscutting/Litter Clearance Contract 1993/94

Resolved, with reference to Min.12(d) of the previous meeting receipt from the Clerk of Mr. Green's proposed charges for the to confirm that he be requested to continue with his contract e financial year, 1993/94.

(c) "Village Caretaker" Contract

With reference to Min.12(c) of the previous meeting, the m reported that Mr. Warwick had been informed of the Council's iness for him, as a Private Contractor, to undertake "Village er" work, for monthly billing to the Council. He had been the nature of the service which would be required and had astically embarked on the work. Mrs. Bell submitted the onthly account received from Mr. Warwick, which detailed work ng 21 hours, during February and cost of materials bought for k.

Resolved

(i) to confirm the commencement of Mr. Warwick's services February and that his account for £90.50 be approved and a for payment be drawn accordingly.

(ii) that the Clerk confirm in writing to Mr. Warwick the opcn which the Council would pay for his services, stressing is would be for a maximum of 20 hours a month until the end umber; then a maximum of 10 hours until the end of March, en future use of his services would be reviewed in relation to provision at that time.

(iii) that Mrs. Bell be appointed the Council's representative y Mr. Warwick of the work required by the Council.

(iv) with regard to any litter clearance required by the . Mr. Warwick would be provided with suitable disposal sacks picker" instrument by the Council, to assist his work.

(v) Mr. Pardey, as the Council's representative to the Hall Management Committee ask that Committee whether it se and pay for, Mr. Warwick's services for regular litter ce from the Hall and Car Park area.

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(d)Memorial Tree Planting to Mr. Hicks

Resolved, with reference to Min.12(f) of the previous meeting a report by the Chairman that he had arranged for the Tree planted by the Vale of White Horse District Council and this ected to be done in the near future.

Drayton Hall Car Park

With reference to Min.5 of the previous meeting, Mr. reported that he had addressed the Hall Committee on his ls for the Car Park Gateway. Members of that Committee had objections to a locked gate, because of difficulties they saw tion to access needs to the Car Park for various needs, at ng times throughout the day and he had felt obliged to accept ation.

Resolved to note the position.

Play/Recreation Matters:(a)Inspection of Equipment at Lock-Way and Lyford Close

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Resolved to note the detail given by the Clerk on M.R.H. Quarterly report which stated the Play Equipment to be in ctory condition, subject to some corrosion of "U" Bolts on abing Frame at Lock-Way.

(b)Re-Furbishment of Lock-Way Play Area

Resolved, with reference to Min.6(o) of the previous meeting a report by Mrs. Mole that the Drayton Recreation Action as now in a position to pass on to the Parish Council ent funds raised to finance the installation, with a safe play , of a new slide at Lock-Way Play Area. Further that ents had been made for early implementation of the work.

(c)Facility for Village Youth

With reference to Min.6(d) of the previous meeting, the a reported on an informal meeting that he and Mrs. Mole had h representatives of the Police, the Drayton Hall Committee yton Football Club, which had proved to be very worthwhile resulted in agreement for a further meeting. This would be the Football Club's building on the 11th March next and local persons would be invited to attend. A further report would e made to the Council's next meeting.

Resolved to note the position

Allotment Gardens, off Church Lane

With reference to Min.7(b) of the previous meeting the reported that further discussion on this subject could be al to private individuals.

Resolved that this item be deferred for discussion in ential session at the conclusion of the remainder of the as on the Agenda.

Communications Received:

The Clerk reported details of correspondence received in t of;

(a)Supervision of Public Rights of Way - Letter from the rs Association offering some assistance to Parish Councils.

(b)Family Health Services Directory - Communication from ealth Authority.

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(c) Boys Football Competitions in Vale of White Horse
Council - Letter from Organiser of events sponsored by
Wick Council.

(d) "The Friends of the Ridgeway" - Notice from the
Association of its Annual General Meeting, to be held at Grove on
14th March.

Resolved to note the communications received and in respect
 (a) that it be referred to Dr. Bell, as Chairman of the
Wick Committee.

(c) that it be passed to Mrs. Mole for reference to any
relevant local organisation.

Reports from Councillors for Approval for Action:

(a) Broken Roadside Bollard

Resolved that the Clerk refer to the County Council
 to prepare a report by Mrs. Bell of a broken roadside bollard
at the junction of the High Street service area with Steventon

(b) Crossing Need, Abingdon Road

Referring to item 3(c) of these Minutes, Mr. Edwards
 raised the concern about traffic speeds and the need for a
pedestrian crossing, expressed by residents of Abingdon Road. He
 requested to collate these views in to a Petition for onward
submission to the County Council, if the Parish Council found this
reasonable.

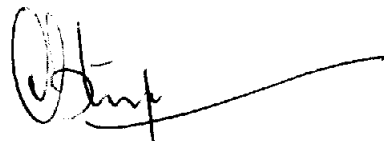
Resolved to consider any Petition raised by Mr. Edwards,
 upon submission to the County Council.

Next Meeting

Resolved to confirm that the Council's next meeting
 will be on Monday, 5th April, 1993.

Confidential Business

Resolved, with reference to Item 11 previous, that the
public and the Public be excluded from the remainder of the
 Council's business, within the terms of the Public Bodies (Admission
 to Meetings) Act 1990, because of the special and private nature of
 the matter to be discussed.



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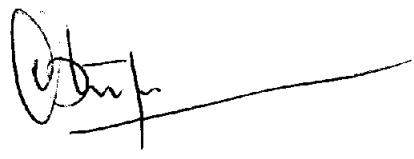
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ent Gardens, off Church Lane - Licences Held by Householders
Church Lane for use of Part of the Allotments Access Land

With reference to Min.7(b) of the Council's meeting on the
February, 1993, the Clerk reported that response had still not
received from the two Residents adjoining the Allotment access
He said that he personally delivered letters to the persons'
names and gave details of the contents, which principally
derived from the Householders confirmation that the Licences,
with the former owners of their properties, had been transferred
to them and also invited comment on future rent arrangements,
the land used by them, pending construction by the Parish Council
of a roadway to within the allotment land.

Resolved that, prior to further communication with the
Councilors, legal advice be sought from the Association of
Parish Councils as to whether, at law, provision exists for review,
modification, of long standing covenants relating to property
interest.



CHAIRMAN

PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on Monday, 5th 1993, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 7.45pm.

Councillors Mr. Stimpson (Vice-Chairman "in the Chair"); Mrs. Dr. Bell, Mr. Caudle, Mrs. Mole, Mr. Pardey and Mr. Thomas. The ... Mr. Bax was present for the latter part of the Meeting.

Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie; Sergeant Deacon and Police Constable ... (Thames Valley Police) and five Members of the Public also

Public Participation - Vehicles Using Abingdon/Steventon Road through Drayton at Excess Speed

... of 95, Steventon Road, complained about the speed at which ... were driven in to and out of Drayton on the Steventon Road side of ... Village and the potential danger this had for pedestrians and cyclists. ... suggested that this problem could be reduced if the speed limit ... for Steventon and Drayton was continued through-out the Road ... the Villages. The Clerk reported that he had received a similar ... from Mrs. Bailey of 140, Abingdon Road, about vehicles entering ... Drayton from the Abingdon direction.

Discussion of these complaints, the Chairman, with the agreement of ... Council, explained to Mrs. Pimm that the Parish Council would write to ... County Engineer requesting consideration of one speed limit on the ... Road, through-out the combined Drayton and Steventon Parishes and ... that some traffic management measure be considered for the junction of ... Drayton Golf Club and The County Council Household Waste site access ... junction with Steventon Road, because of the number of vehicles ... and joining the Steventon Road at this location. Further, the ... would write to the Police Traffic Department requesting attention to ... complaints by herself and Mrs. Bailey about vehicles exceeding the ... limit within Drayton.

Police Information - Improved Youth Facilities

Reference to Min.10(c) of the Council's previous meeting, Police ... Langford told the Meeting that as agreed at the meeting of the ... Group which had been considering local youth needs, a redundant shed ... from Abingdon Police Station would be delivered to Drayton Hall ... 6th April. Further, with regard to recreation land availability, he ... that Mr. Binning, who farms land adjoining the present Drayton ... Recreation Ground, might be interested in disposing of some land.

Chairman thanked Mr. Langford for his information.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for Absence were received from the Chairman, Mr. Bax (for later ... at the Meeting) and from Mrs. Bell, Mr. Edwards and Mr. Lewis.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 1st March, 1993, were read and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Local Government Review - Role of Parish Councils - Para.3(a)
The Council noted a report by the Chairman and the Clerk on the matters which had been discussed at the District Council's meeting on the 4th March 1993, the principal feature being that the Group of Parishes present generally with the Drayton views on the need for Parish Councils to have more importance in the Local Government decision making process than responsibility for more services and thereby increased bureaucracy being created.

Divestment of Responsibilities of Official Custodian for Charities (d)

The Clerk reported that the Drayton Hall Committee had now confirmed in its wish that the Parish Council retain responsibility for the management of the Drayton Hall and Recreation Ground Charity Recoupment Funds. He added that in relation to the Divestment Process the Commission had drawn attention to the need for Charity Trustees to be aware of their responsibilities and had published guidance information to that effect. It was agreed that the Clerk should circulate, as appropriate, the Commission's guidance information, particularly to Members and the Finance Committee.

"Neighbourhood Watch" Schemes - Para.6

The Council noted that no information had been received to date on the creation of any scheme at Drayton.

National Spring Clean. 16th-25th April, 1993 - Para.8(a)

The Council noted that sacks were now available for allocation to any person wishing to take part in the "spring Clean" venture.

"Village Caretaker" Contract - Para.8(c)

The Clerk gave details of a report by Mrs. Bell on the work for the Council undertaken by Mr. Warwick during March and also proposals for work that he would undertake during April. The Clerk explained that Mr. Warwick had been engaged for additional work in March, a total of six hours at cost of £24 for representations received from the District Council Environmental Department about the littered state of the Drayton Hall Car Park. He considered it right that the Council should respond because of the approaching "Best Village" Competition but the ongoing responsibility for the Hall Car Park should, as previously, rest with the Hall Committee.

The Council was asked to note the report on the Village Caretaker's work and to agree, in respect of March, to confirm the action by the Clerk with regard to clearing for litter to be cleared from Drayton Hall Car Park and that the Finance Committee be invited to pay the £24 for the cost of this work and to agree its own direct contract with Mr. Warwick in future. (Cont../3.)

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With regard to work proposed to be offered to Mr. Warwick during the included the need for the bench seats through-out the Village to maintenance treatment.

Broken Roadside Bollard - Para.13(a)

It reported that the Area Engineer was to replace the bollard.

Applications for Permission to Carry Out Development:

The Council had the following Application before it for Confirmation

Planning Committee's Action;

<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
77 Demolition of exstg.bldg. & erect single storey unit, 7, East Way, Mr. Osbourne.	No Objection

Resolved to confirm the Planning Committee's action.

The Council had before it the following Decisions of the Local

Planning Authority;

<u>Prop. Devlpmnt.</u>	<u>Par. Co. Recmmdtns.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
1.2 Infill part of Gravel Pit, Peep O' Day Lane, Oxcon Ltd.	No Objection	Withdrawn by Applicant
2A Erection of Non.Illum. sign, 9, The Green, Mr. J. Cunningham.	No Objection	Permit
8 Conversion of Car Port & erect conservatory, The Garden Studio, Gravel Lane, Dr.&Mrs.Martin.	Recommend Refusal	Permit

Resolved to note the Planning Authority Decisions.

Financial Matters:

Donations toward Play Area Development

It reported that D.R.A.G. had made a donation to the Council of £100 for the cost of the current installation, with safe play surface, new Slide acquired for the Lock-Way Play Area. Mrs. Mole said that D.R.A.G. donation was to be supplemented by one for £250 from the Youth Centre Charities.

Resolved to note, with appreciation, the donations by D.R.A.G. and the Youth Centre Charities.

The Council had before it for Consideration for payment details of

<u>Following Annual Subscriptions:</u>	<u>£</u>
11 for the Protection of Rural England	15.00
shire Association of Local Councils - Fee £171.00)	
" " " " -Journal Subs. 11.50)	182.50
Fieldpaths Society	2.00

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and that the Subscription payments be approved and cheques drawn singly.

The Council had the following Accounts before it for Approval for

	£
Litter Clearing, Mar. (£18) & Cutting Bur.Grd.Hdge. (£96)	114.00
City Council - Agenda Printing	21.20
Birmingham - Repair War Memorial Gate	35.50
White Horse D.C. -Litter Sacks (£6.35) & Tree Planting (£25)	31.35
Bar & Lee - Supply Litter Picking Implements	32.67
Mund Services - Install Play Equipment	470.00
Warwick - Village Caretaker Duties	119.00
Salary (£177.94) & Exp. (£29.16) April + Purch. Vill. Map (£3.95)	211.05
Ball - Room Hire, Jan. to March.	18.00

and that the Accounts be approved and cheques drawn for their payment.

Recreation Matters:

Installation of Equipment, Lock-Way Play Area

reference to Min.10(b) of the previous meeting, Mrs. Mole, Chairman of Recreation Committee, confirmed that the new slide, together with "play" surface had been installed. Further, she reported that the Recreation Action Group, (D.R.A.G.), with the support of Dr. Bell, Councillor, had received grant allocation of £10,000 from the Vale White Horse District Council, for Recreation Projects during the financial year 1993/94. D.R.A.G. would be considering how best this Grant be applied.

and to thank Mrs. Mole for her report which was noted with action.

Lyford Close Play Area

Mr. Froud reported that he had been contacted by Mr. Froud, of 23, Lyford who had complained about the section of slide lying in the Play Area. Mr. Froud was concerned that some mature persons could lodge the slide section into a position where it could then be knocked down on any person at play. The Clerk added that Mrs. Bell had been consulted and arrangements made for the "Village Caretaker" to take action to secure the slide section securely in to an earth mound, as originally intended.

Mr. Simpson reported that the pedestrian gate to the Lyford Close Play Area was missing, also that part of the fencing had been damaged. Finally, the bench seat provided by the Drayton Wives Group had not yet been installed. The Clerk explained that the Pedestrian Gate had been taken for repair by M.R.H. Services, following an earlier acceptance by the Council of a quotation for the work.

and that Mrs. Mole and Mr. Caudle would take action to assist secure installation of the slide section and also installation of the seat; the Council would request a quotation from M.R.H. Services for repair of the

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Facility for Youth

Reference to Min.10(c) of the previous meeting and Item 2 of these, the Council noted that the meeting of interested parties, held at the Football Club on the 11th March had resulted in the redundant shed being provided from Abingdon Police Station. Councillor Thomas stated he was arranging with others in the Group the suitable location to be used in the Recreation Ground. The Group would have further discussions in due course to consider what other facilities could be arranged.

Allotment Gardens, off Church Lane

Reference to Min.7 of the meeting on the 1st February, 1993, Mr. [Name], Chairman of the General Purposes Committee, reported that he had met with his Committee and the Clerk he had met the Allotment Holder Representatives, prior to the Council's meeting and the Representatives had agreed to settle new agreement issue and 1993/94 rent collection arrangements on behalf of the Council and had been given the necessary information for each plot holder, as prepared by the Clerk. One plot had been vacated and there were two new plot-holders; one of these was taking on a plot which had not been cultivated for a number of years and it was agreed that in these circumstances rent not be charged the first year.

It was agreed to confirm with thanks the action taken by the Committee and Clerk and that new allotment holders taking on "rough ground" do not pay rent during the first year of plot occupation.

Thames New Reservoir

Reference to Min.4 of the previous meeting, the Council Chairman, Mr. [Name] (who arrived at the Meeting) gave a report of the meeting held by the Council on the 26th March, which had indicated absolute objection to the latest Thames Water proposal by the District Council and Parish Councils closest to the Project Site but some other Parishes had suggested that they saw some benefits to be gained from the Reservoir. Mr. Stimpson reported on attendance at a meeting at East Hanney on the 31st March 1993, of a local Group there which had adopted the title H.A.G.A.R., (Hanney Against the Reservoir) and had invited Parish Council to have a representative involvement with their meetings. It did not appear advisable for Parish Councillors to be directly associated with the Group because of their unofficial style of operation.

Reference to the planned Thames Water presentation at Drayton on the 13th April, 1993, Mr. Bax reported that he had arranged a leaflet for distribution and delivery to publicise the meeting.

It was agreed to note the position and confirm the arrangements for the Thames Water presentation on the 13th April next.

Communications Received - The Clerk reported details as follow:

- a) Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils Information Circular 1/93
- b) Parish Council Burial Ground - Reservation of Plot - Letter from Malin, High Street, enquiring on Mrs. Malin Senior request to reserve next to her son.
- c) Street Lighting, Steventon Road - Ref. Min. 10 of 1/2/93, letter from City Engineer confirming that temporary additional lights at Steventon by A34 Flyover, installed for A34 works, would be retained.
- d) County Council Chairman's Meeting for Parish Council Representatives, Banney, 23rd April, 1993.

to note the communications received and that in respect of:
 a) as formal advance reservation is not possible, the Clerk be given
 b) at the discretion to meet Mrs. Malin's wish if possible.
 c) the Vice-Chairman, (Mr. Stimpson) and the Clerk attend.

Matters Raised By Councillors

a) Interment of Cremated Remains in Parish Council Burial Ground
 The Clerk reported that he had been asked whether this was possible in the Burial Ground as well as the Church Yard, which was generally used at present. The Clerk said that he had not received an application for this and would check the Regulations on use of the Burial Ground.

b) Intrusion on to Footpath of Hedge Overgrowth, Farmland, Abingdon Road, Hilliat Fields
 The Clerk agreed to examine for reference to the Land-owner or County Area for a report by Mrs. Barlow regarding the extent of hedgegrowth.

c) Parish Councillor Report - Consideration of Street Light Installation
 Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie spoke of the poor illumination of the junction of the Milton Road with the Drayton/Sutton Courtenay Road, which less coincided with the Parish boundaries. She requested consideration of joint Parish Councils action on this.

and that the County Council be requested to provide a quotation for installation of a Street Light, for the matter to be considered further.

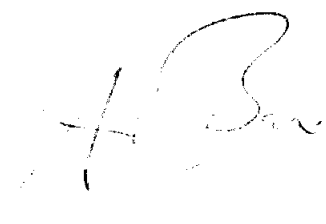
Future Meetings - Annual Parish Council and Parish Annual Assembly

and to confirm that the meetings be on Monday, 10th May, 1993.

Confidential Business

and to exclude the Press and Public from the remaining business of the special and private nature of the matter for discussion.

CHAIRMAN



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Monday, 5th April, 1993

Minutes of Confidential Business Considered

Retreat Gardens off Church Lane - Licences Held by Householders in Church Lane for use of Part of the Allotments Access Land

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

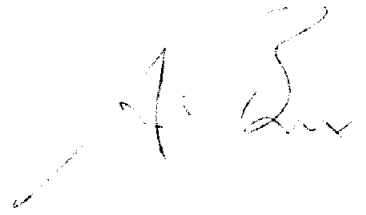
Minutes of the Confidential discussion of this subject at the Council's meeting on the 1st March, 1993, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Current Situation

Clerk reported that a response had been received from the National Association of Local Councils indicating that there was not legal opportunity for the terms of the Licences held by the Householders to be negotiated and any variation would only be achieved by agreement between Council and the Householders.

Resolved that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman be appointed to have informal session with the Householders, Mr. Haste and Mr. Williams, on the possible future use by the Council of the access land, with a view to ascertaining their views on their ongoing licensed use of part of the land.

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PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on Monday, 7th, 1993, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 8.15p.m..

Present: Councillors Mr. Bax (Chairman), Mrs. Barlow, Mrs. Bell, Dr. Caudle, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lewis, Mrs. Mole, Mr. Stimpson and Mr.

Members of the Public were also present.

Election of Chairman of the Council for the Year 1993/94

Mr. Stimpson proposed, seconded by Mrs. Mole, that Mr. Bax be re-elected Chairman of the Council. There were no other nominations and the proposal was unanimously adopted.

Declaration of Acceptance of the Office of Chairman

Mr. Bax made and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of the Office of Chairman.

Election of Vice-Chairman of the Council for the Year 1993/94

Mr. Stimpson proposed, seconded by Dr. Bell, that Mr. Stimpson be re-elected Vice-Chairman of the Council. There were no other nominations and the proposal was carried unanimously.

Proxy for Absence

A proxy for absence was received from County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie.

Treatment of Committees/Representatives to Other Bodies

The Council considered its appointments for the Year 1993/94 and decided that

Appointments be made to Committee Membership as follows:

- Mr. Stimpson (Ch'man), Mr. Caudle, Mr. Lewis, Mrs. Mole and Mr. Edwards.
- Mr. Stimpson (Ch'man), Mrs. Barlow, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Pardey and Mrs. Mole.
- Dr. Bell (Ch'man), Mrs. Bell, Mr. Caudle and Mr. Edwards.

Purposes - Mr. Caudle (Ch'man), Mrs. Barlow, Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edwards.

Representatives to other Bodies or for other Purposes be:
- Mrs. Mole (Ch'man), Mrs. Bell, Mr. Edwards and Mr. Pardey.
- Mr. Bax, to be Ex-Officio Member of all Committees.

Representatives to other Bodies or for other Purposes be:

- Transport - Mrs. Stimpson.
- Ball Management Committee - Mr. Pardey.
- Youth Centre Charity - Mrs. Mole.

An Electricity Supplies Liaison Officer not be appointed because of a request from Southern Electricity for this.

Standing Orders

that the Council, for the regulation of its business during the 1994, adopt for guidance, as applicable, the Model Standing Orders by the National Association of Local Councils.

Smoking at Meetings of the Council and its Committees

that smoking be banned at Council and Committee Meetings.

Enclosure Award

that, as in recent years, the Enclosure Award be retained in the name of the Council's Chairman, in order that it be readily available for inspection, if required.

Business of the Previous Meeting

Business of the previous meeting, held on the 5th April, 1993, were read and signed by the Chairman.

Business Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Vehicle Speeds on B4017 (Abingdon/Steventon Road) through Village - Introduction of Traffic Management Measure near to Golf Club/Waste Site junction with the Road - Paragraph 1

It was reported that the Police Traffic Department had responded stating that no action would be given to the speeding problems. The County Council was in agreement with the judgement that no adjustment of the present speed limit on the Drayton/Steventon Road were necessary nor was there need for a traffic management measure at the junction of the Golf Club/Waste Reception Centre driveways with the B4017. After considerable discussion and County Council communication it was agreed that County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie be requested to pursue with the Police Officers the desirability of speed limit adjustment on the B4017 Steventon Road and ideally that a 40m.p.h. limit be applied between Steventon and Drayton. Also, that Mrs. Mackenzie be requested to bring for consideration by the County Council of the need for some traffic management measure at the junction of the Golf Club/Waste Reception Centre driveways with the Road.

Guidance Information for Charity Trustees - Para.5(b)

It was noted with reference to the Council's responsibility as Custodian of the Drayton Hall and Recreation Ground Charity, circulated to the Council a copy of a recently issued Charity Commission leaflet on the duties of Charity Trustees. He also submitted for perusal of the Finance Committee some more extensive guidance information, from the Charity Commission, in relation to Charity Trust Management. The Council was informed that the Clerk had also passed copies of the Commission's

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ons to the Hall and Recreation Ground Management Committee, as
Trustees of Drayton Hall and Recreation Ground Charity.

National Spring Clean, 16th-25th April, 1993 - Para.5(d)

il noted a report by the Clerk on a letter received from the
Council Chief Environmental Health Officer which thanked Parish
for their part in the Spring Clean and requested return of any
ch had not been required.

Litter Clearance Drayton Hall Curtilage and Car Park - Para.5(e)

man reported that as a result of the Clerk's communication to the
ittee of the Council's decision at its last meeting he had had a
call from the Hall and Recreation ground Management Committee
Mr. von Hoven, seeking a special meeting on the subject between
atives of his Committee and the Parish Council. Because of other
nts early arrangement of this was not possible for the Council's
therefore it was suggested to Mr. von Hoven that his Committee
atives attend the next Parish Council meeting. The response to
been a letter (read by the Chairman) disclaiming responsibility by
Committee for the Hall Car Park and surrounds and, in general
eing quite unhelpful toward resolution of the litter problem.
rman suggested that it was quite inappropriate to give the letter
response.

l that the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk represent the Council
ting with the Hall and Recreation Ground Management Committee, to
ged as soon as possible, to clarify the situation on management
ibility for the Hall surrounds and Car Park.

Interment of Cremated Remains in Parish Council Burial Ground -

(a)

rk confirmed that the Fee Regulations provided for the burial of
d remains in the Council's Burial Ground but added that no
tion for use of this facility had been recently received. It was
that if the practice did commence the smaller section of ground on
tern side of the central path should be used and sufficient space
l to provide for a number of such burials in the same area.

Overgrowth of Farm-land Hedge - Para.11(b)

rk reported that he had spoken to Mrs. Cook at Manor Farm, Gravel
about the overgrowth and she had suggested that the County Council
ngineer had usually dealt with growth intrusion on to the roadside
th but the latter had not been able to confirm this and was to
t the landowner. Mrs. Barlow and other Members pointed out that
s Lane was also affected by overgrowth from the same land.

ed the Clerk would write to Mr. de Haan, Manor Farm owner, about the

Applications for Permission to Carry Out Development:

The Council had the following Applications Before it for
Action of the Planning Committee's Action;

	<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
10/1	Demolish rear bldgs. & erect two storey extn., 55, Abingdon Road.	Refusal
145	First floor extn., 4, Gravel Lane.	No Objection
120	Erectn. of Temp. Club-house, Drayton Golf Club.	-do-

and to confirm the Planning Committee' action.

The Council had before it the following Decisions of the Local
Authority;

	<u>Prop. Dvlpmt.</u>	<u>Par. Coun. Recmndtn.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
1054	Siting of Mobile Home	Recommnd. Approval	Permit
1077	Demlsh. exstg. Bldg., erect extension, 7, East Way.	No Objection	-do-

and to note the decisions of the Local Planning Authority.

Proposed New Thames Water Company Reservoir

In reference to Min. 10 of the previous meeting, the Chairman summarised
matters discussed at the Thames Water Presentation at Drayton Hall on
13th April, 1993. The meeting had been well attended and would no
be followed by others as Thames Water developed its Planning
Application and there was necessity for local resident consultation upon

The Clerk reported details of copy correspondence received by the Parish
Council in respect of representations made to Thames Water by Mrs.
Wilson of 4, Lock-Way and Mr. Canfield of 9, Whitehorns way, much of
detail having been raised at the meeting on the 13th April. He also
sent a letter to the Parish Council, from Mr. Barlow of 7, Whitehorns Way,
setting out objections to the proposed development, in the light of the
information available from the Thames Water presentation. Finally, the
Clerk reported an invitation from Ardington Parish Council, inviting
Council representative attendance at a meeting arranged with Thames Water
Company officials on the 9th June next, at Ardington.

and that

in the details currently known, the Parish Council maintain its absolute
loyalty to the Thames Water Company Reservoir development proposal.
The Council's representatives at the Ardington Parish Council meeting
with Thames Water Company on the 9th June, 1993, would be Mrs. Bell and Mr.
Barlow, who would not express any views on behalf of the Council but would
take an "observer" role at the meeting.

Financial Matters:

Request by Botley Alzheimers Home for Grant Aid

The Clerk reported a request from the Home for financial assistance toward
the cost of care for residential patients.

The Council decided to inform the Home, with regret, that the Council believes it
would be unreasonable use of its financial resources to give what would
be an excessive amount of revenue support for the Home.

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Rights of Way" - Drayton/Marcham

... reported that with reference to its agreement to assist, by ... the cost of signing "rights of way" between Drayton and Marcham, ... Marcham Parish Council had enquired about the current situation with ... to the proposed scheme.

... Footpaths Committee Chairman, reported that the scheme was ... because application by Mr. Caudwell for necessary Diversion Orders ... yet been settled. He would endeavour to speak to Mr. Caudwell. ... to note the current situation.

Allotment Management

... to note a report by the Chairman that he had received information ... Mr. Spencer, an Allotment Holders' Representative, that his collection ... of the Allotment rents would be paid at the Council's next meeting.

County Council Meeting for Parish Councils, East Hanney, 23rd April

... reference to Min.11(d) of the previous meeting, the Council noted a ... by the Vice-Chairman and Clerk on the meeting, the principal matters ... had having been the County's services in respect of Highways, Social ... and Education.

Matters Raised at Annual Parish Assembly

... Council noted a report by the Clerk that the badly pot-holed condition ... Way, raised at the Parish Assembly, (immediately prior to the ... 's meeting), would be referred to the County Area Engineer.

Communications Received

... reported details as follow:

Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils Circular 2/93

Felling of Walnut Tree in Conservation Area, 83, High Street -

... 15(e) of the 1st March, 1993, notice from the Vale of White Horse ... Council that it had given its approval for the work.

District Council Planning Department Letter on "Planning Evening"

Parish Council Representatives, to be held on the 28th June, 1993.

... to note the communications received and in respect of (c) that ... Mr. Edwards, Mr. Thomas and Mr. Stimpson would attend.

Matters Raised by Councillors

Grasscutting, Hilliat Fields Estate

... that the Clerk refer to the District Council a report by Mr. Lewis ... the unsatisfactory cutting of the Hilliat Fields grass verges.

Disposal of Excess Earth from Burial Ground

... that the Clerk, as requested by Mr. Caudle, seek the approval of ... and Son, of Oday Hill, for the Council to dump in the Company's ... site there, excess earth from the Burial Ground.

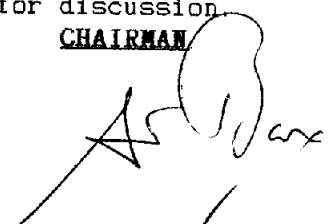
Next Meeting

... to confirm that the Council's next meeting be on Monday, 7th June.

Confidential Business

... to exclude the Press and Public from the remaining business ... of the special and private nature of the matter for discussion.

CHAIRMAN



CONFIDENTIAL

DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Monday, 10th May, 1993

Minutes of Confidential Business Considered

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the Confidential Business at the Council's meeting on the 5th April, 1993, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Plot Gardens off Church Lane - Licences Held by Householdors in Church Lane for use of Part of the Allotments Access Land

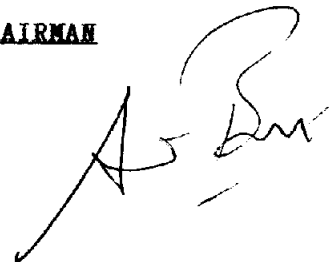
In reference to the Confidential Minutes of the 5th April, 1993, the Chairman reported that it had not yet been possible for the Vice-Chairman to interview the two householders, having licensed use of the present access area land, but they would be seen as soon as possible.

Possible Acquisition of Additional Recreation Land

The Chairman referred to item 2 of the principal minutes of the Council's meeting on the 5th April and information by the Local Police Officer, Mr. Langford, that Mr. Binning might be willing to sell land adjoining the present Recreation Ground.

It was agreed that the Chairman make informal contact with Mr. Binning to ascertain, if possible, his views with regard to sale of land adjoining the Recreation Ground.

CHAIRMAN



PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on Monday, 7th 1993, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 7.45pm.

Present: Councillors Mr. Bax, (Chairman); Mrs. Bell, Dr. Bell, Mr. Caudle, Mrs. Mackenzie, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Pardey Mr. Stimpson and Mr. Thomas.

Also present: Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie and three Members of the Public also present.

Public Participation - Condition of Roadway Surface, Lock-Way

Mr. Knott of 36, Lock-Way spoke to the Council about the poor surface condition of Lock-Way. The Clerk explained that this had recently been discussed with the Council and referred for the attention of the County Area Engineer, (as Min.18 of the previous meeting).

Apology for Absence

An apology for absence was received from Mrs. Barlow.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 10th May, 1993, were read and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Vehicle Speed Restrictions/Traffic Management, Steventon Road - (Para. 10)

Mr. Knott reported that the Council's request for County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie to make representation to County Officers had been passed to her. Mrs. Mackenzie confirmed that she would be raising the matters at a meeting she would be having in the near future with the County Engineer.

Litter Clearance Drayton Hall Surround and Car Park - Para. 10(d)

Mr. Knott reported that together with Mr. Stimpson (Vice-Chairman), Mr. Lewis (The Council's Representative to the Hall and Recreation Ground Management Committee) and the Clerk he had had a meeting with Mr. von Stille, the Chairman of the Hall and Recreation Ground Management Committee and other Members of the Committee, on the 14th May last. By reference to the original Order creating the Hall and Recreation Ground Charity and the subsequent communications between the Council and the Committee, it was agreed to inform the Committee representatives that they had responsibility for the management of the Hall surrounding areas and Car Park. They were told that any request their Committee made for grant toward the cost of keeping the Car Park litter free would be considered by the Parish Council. Mr. Knott reported that the Hall and Recreation Ground Committee had not reached a conclusion on this subject at its subsequent meeting but had agreed to set up a Sub-Committee to consider the situation and report back.

In discussion of this matter it was generally agreed that it was not in the

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... of the Community for the problem of management of the external ... to Drayton Hall to continue unattended for an indeterminate period ... it was

... that the Council seek a joint meeting with the Hall and Recreation ... Management Committee as early as possible, Monday, 21st June next ... a suggested date, with the object of reaching agreement on the future ... ment of the various elements of property within the ownership of the ... Hall and Recreation Ground Charity.

Attention to Slide Climber, Lock-Way Play Area - Para.14(a)

... Council noted a report by the Clerk that the Playground Services ... had repaid to the Council the £10 incurred in attention to the ... ment.

"Rights of Way", Drayton to Marcham - Para.15

... Council noted a report by Dr. Bell that he had not yet been able to ... this matter.

District Council "Planning Evening", 28th June, 1993 - Para.19(c)

... Clerk confirmed that the District Council had been notified that ... rlow, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Stimpson and Mr. Thomas would represent the ... Council at the event.

Grasscutting, Hilliat Fields Estate - Para.20(a)

... Council noted a report by the Clerk on a communication received from ... District Council's Chief Engineer indicating that the grasscutting ... ctor had been spoken to about the standard of grasscutting at Hilliat

Applications Made to the Vale of White Horse District Council for ... ion to Carry Out Development:

The Council had before it the following Applications to Confirm the ... g Committee's Action in respect of District Council Consultation;

<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
131/ Two storey side extension, single storey front and rear extns., 68, Whitehorns Way.	No Objection
16/1 Side extension for Garage, 80, Whitehorns Way.	-do-

...olved to confirm the Planning Committee's action.

The Council had before it the following Planning Decision taken by ... istrict Council;

<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Par. Co. Recmmndtn.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
145 First floor extension, 4, Gravel Lane.	No Objection	Permit

...d to note the District Council's decision.

Proposed Thames Water Reservoir

... Council received a report from County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie that ... l been invited to be Chairman of a an organisation to be known as the ... Against the Reservoir Development (G.A.R.D.). It was hoped that ... B. would include representatives from the four Parish Councils most ... Cont/...../3....

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ly affected by the proposed development, i.e. Steventon, Drayton, and East Hanney and that it would ensure a co-ordinated standing of and therefore response, to the proposals for the Mr. G.A.R.D. was planning to hold a public meeting, to which the Water Company would be invited, at East Hanney on the 8th July, It would be holding a prior meeting, also at East Hanney, on the 17th next in respect of its own organisational matters. and to support the principle of the formation of G.A.R.D. and that Mr. and Mr. Edwards represent the Council at the Group's organisational on the 17th June. Further, that it be noted that Dr. Bell would attend the meeting, in his position as District Councillor for

Special Matters:

The Council had the following Accounts before it for Approval for

	£
- Grasscutting/Litter Clearance, May	180.54
- Stationery supplies	28.34
City Council - Agenda and Form Printing	29.37
Salary (£177.94)&Exp. (£29.16) JUNE ; Post. (£25.90)&Tel.)	
(£14.00) Mar-May; Veh. Damage Claim (£10.69)*	257.69
Morland & Son, Solicitors-Fees regarding transfer of footpath)	
Hanney Close/East-Way from Carpenter Estate to Council)+	239.00
White Horse District Council-Photocopying Charges)	
to May, inclusive	16.95

reference to the Accounts the Clerk reported that in respect of: this vehicle damage claim, this referred to theft of a wheel trim on his car whilst he was attending the Council's last meeting. the Morland & Son Solicitors' Fees the Company was also suggesting the Widow of late Mr. Jack Newman, (former long-term Clerk to the Council), be paid the sum of £75 as a fee for work undertaken by Mr. Newman prior to his death, in assisting, by the extent of his local duties, the preparation of evidence for the transfer of the footpath to the Council, because of the inadequacy of the available land map records. and that consent of the Accounts be approved. account be accepted from Morland & Son for payment to Mrs. Newman of £75 for the work of the late Mr. Jack Newman.

Audit of Accounts 1992/93

The Council noted a report by the Clerk that the Audit of the Council's Accounts would be carried out by KPMG Peat Marwick, at the District Council, Abbey House, Abingdon, between 5th and 26th July, 1993.

Audit Costs

The Council noted a report by the Clerk on correspondence from the District Council forwarding explanation from KPMG Peat Marwick on their Audit Fee Estimates, following query from some Parish Councils with regard to the fees applied in setting the fees.

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Play Area Matter - Lyford Close Play Area Seat

With reference to Min.14(b) of the previous meeting, the Council noted a report from Mr. Caudle that arrangements for siting the seat on the Play Area had not yet been settled but he would deal further with this.

Allotment Gardens, Church Lane - Rent Collection

The Council noted a report by the Clerk that the total rents due for the year 1993/94, a sum of £153.45 had now been collected. Also that all allotment holders had now entered in to formal agreements, for use of their plots, with the Council as new owner of the Allotment Land.

Burial Ground:

(a)Footpath Improvement

Mr. Caudle, Chairman of the Council's General Purposes Committee, pointed out that the Council now held £1,044 in its Burial Ground Footpath repair fund and he proposed that quotations be sought for repair of a first section of the path, in more durable materials than existed. He resolved that Mr. Caudle's proposal be adopted and that he be requested to formally draw up a specification to assist quotations, for repair of a section of the Path, being obtained from a number of suitable contractors.

(b)Trimming of Inner Area Hedge

Mr. Caudle also reported that the boundary hedge of the inner area of the Burial Ground required trimming at the top and sides. He resolved that the Clerk invite a number of suitable contractors to submit quotes for trimming the hedge.

Communications Received - The Clerk reported details as follow:

(a)Street Lighting Installation Junction of Milton Road with Drayton/Sutton Courtenay Road - Reference Min.12 of the 5th April, 1993, a letter from County Engineer giving cost quotes of £1,548 and £3,451 respectively, for alternative lighting schemes for the junction.

(b)Applications for National Health Trust Status by Various Units in Oxfordshire Area Health Authority - Letter from Health Authority giving applicant details and inviting any comments by the 10th August.

(c)Amenity Tree Planting - Letter from District Council inviting nomination of possible sites for 1993/94 planting season.

(d)Drayton Park Golf Club - Justices "On Licence" for Liquor Sales - Letter from the Club's Solicitor giving statutory notice of application to Justices for issue of the Licence.

(e)Abingdon and Didcot Area "Ring-a-Ride" Bus Services - Letter from County Council detailing current arrangements for operation of the services.

(f)Oxford to Wantage Routes Financially Supported Bus Services, which serve Drayton Parish - Letter from the County Council seeking the Parish Council's views in relation to review of the Services for decision on whether financial support should be continued. Also, related communication from Mrs. Stimpson the Council's Public Transport representative,

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...ending that the County Council be urged to retain the present level financially supported services.

(g) Dangers to Ground Maintenance Workers from Discarded Needles and Materials used by Drug Takers - Letter from District Council advising are necessary by persons working in areas which may be affected by drug activity.

...ved to note the communications received and that in respect of:

(a) because of the cost involved, not to proceed further with alteration of lighting at the junction.

(c) Roadside Verges by 22, High Street (where a previously planted tree died) and at Hilliat Fields Estate be offered as sites for planting.

(f) the County Council be urged to retain the present level of financially supported bus services.

(g) to confirm the Clerk's action in supplying details of the information to persons employed by the Council on ground maintenance works.

Matters Raised By Councillors

(a) Drayton Youth Centre Charity Account, 1992/93

Stimpson submitted for the Council's retention a copy statement of the account, this not having been available at the Annual Parish Assembly on 10th May, 1993.

(b) Lych Gate War Memorial, Treatment Required to Gate Surfaces

...ved, following report by Mr. Stimpson, that Mr. Buckingham, who owned the Gates, be requested to give maintenance treatment to their poor condition.

(c) Roadside Gutter Weedgrowth, Hilliat Fields

...ved that the Clerk refer to the District Council, as principal estate agent, a report by Mr. Lewis about weedgrowth.

(d) Facility for Youth

In connection with the shelter provided in the Recreation Ground for Youth Mr. Pardey said that he had been handed a dart board and darts for donation to local youth use, if required. Mr. Thomas undertook to receive items for allocation as appropriate.

(e) High Street Almshouses - Maintenance and Access Problems

Caudle and Mrs. Mackenzie mentioned matters requiring consideration for attention and it was agreed that they would refer these to Members of the Estates Committee.

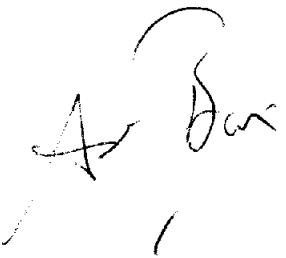
Next Meeting

...ved to confirm that the Council's next meeting will be on Monday, 5th June, 1993.

Confidential Business

...ved to exclude the Press and Public from the remaining business because of the special and private nature of the matter for discussion.

CHAIRMAN



CONFIDENTIAL

DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Monday, 7th June, 1993

Minutes of Confidential Business Considered

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the Confidential Business at the Council's meeting on the 10th May, 1993, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Allotment Gardens off Church Lane - Licences Held by Householders in Church Lane for use of Part of the Allotments Access Land

In reference to the Confidential Minutes of the 10th May, 1993, the Chairman reported that together with the Vice-Chairman he had now had discussions with Mr. Williams of 28, Church Lane and Mr. Haste of 30, Church Lane. Neither had claimed to have documentary agreements for their tenancy of parts of the allotment land access area and both had indicated a wish to buy the land they present occupied, if possible. It had been explained to them that the Council wished to keep ownership of all the allotment land access. It was agreed that Messrs. Williams and Haste be invited to confirm that they had no formal past agreement for rental use of part of the allotment land and if this should be the case, they be requested to confirm if they wished to continue their present rental occupation of land until approved by the Council and be also prepared to pay a new level of rental, £52 per annum.

Possible Acquisition of Additional Recreation Land

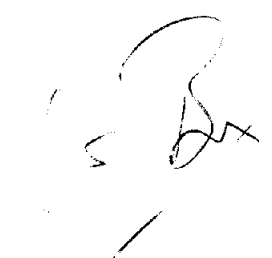
The Chairman referred to Para.3 of the Confidential Minutes of the previous meeting and reported that he had spoken to Mr. Binning, who had offered to consider whether his family felt able to dispose of land to the Parish Council. When subsequent contact had been made with him, for the decision to be made, he had indicated that if the Parish Council made an offer for purchase of an area of land adjoining the present Recreation Ground then this should be considered.

It was agreed to agree that the Chairman seek further discussion with Mr. Binning to ascertain if possible the level of payment his Family would wish to receive for sale of land for recreation use, in order that the Parish Council could consider its ability to proceed with such a purchase.

Consideration of Preservation Order Application - Drayton Copse

It was requested that this item be placed on the Agenda for the Council's next meeting.

CHAIRMAN



PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

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Present: Councillors Mr. Bax, (Chairman); Mrs. Barlow, Mrs. Bell, Mr. Mole, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Pardey Mr. Stimpson and Mr. Thomas.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Mole and County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 7th June, 1993, were moved and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

(a) Vehicle Speed Restrictions/Traffic Management, Steventon Road - Para. 4(a)

Council noted a report by the Clerk on information received from County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie that she had now discussed these matters with Mr. Mole, the County Engineer. Further, that he had agreed that a common speed restriction for the B4017 through-out Drayton and Steventon should be included in a programme for consideration of installation when finance allowed but he was not optimistic about resource allocation for any tactical measure at the junction of the Golf Club and Household Waste sites at the B4017.

(b) Litter Clearance - Para. 4(b)

(i) Drayton Hall Surround and Car Park

Council noted a report by the Clerk that the Drayton Hall and Recreation Ground Management Committee had not been able to arrange for its members to attend a joint meeting with the Parish Council on the 21st June 1992 proposed Monday, 12th July, 1992, at Drayton Hall, at 8p.m.

Resolved to agree to the Joint Meeting on the 12th July next and that as many Members of the Council, as possible attend.

(ii) "Village Caretaker" Contractor

Clerk reported that he had received a letter from Mr. Warwick informing Council that he was unable to continue with litter clearance and other duties in the Village for the Council, because of personal circumstances.

Mrs. Bell explained that she understood that Mr. Warwick had now taken on other employment commitments which did not allow him time for the "caretaking" work. The Clerk added that he had written to Mr. Warwick, on behalf of the Council, expressing its appreciation to him for his work in the Parish.

Resolved to note the position and confirm the Clerk's communication to Mr. Warwick.

(c) "Rights of Way", Drayton to Marcham - Para. 4(d)

In the absence of Dr. Bell it was agreed to defer this item to the Council's next meeting.

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(d) District Council "Planning Evening", 28th June, 1993 - Para.4(e)
Council noted a report by the Vice-Chairman (Mr. Stimpson) on his attendance with colleague Councillors at the "Planning Evening" and the business discussed. The one particularly important matter raised was the District Council's willingness for its Planning Committee Chairman and Chief Planning Officer to meet, by appointment on a Thursday morning, with Parish Council representatives with regard to any development proposal affecting a Parish, which attracted consideration of special or difficult circumstances.

(e) Application for Trust Status by Health Authority Units - Para.11(b)
Council noted a report by the Clerk that the Community Health Council Oxfordshire had, for consultation purposes, arranged for its representatives to be available at the Town Hall, Oxford, on Friday, 9th July, 1993, to provide further information on the proposals, where required also to receive any representations in relation to them.

(f) Amenity Tree Planting - Para.11(c)
Council noted a report by the Clerk that, as requested by some Councillors, he had taken up with the District Council whether it was possible for higher stakes to be used for trees newly planted, in an effort to counteract the common vandalism of trees being broken off alongside the top of the retaining stake. He had received the response that use of higher stakes did create difficulty when planting, because of the need for appropriate step ladders then to be used on soft and uneven ground. The District Council was considering planting smaller trees, without stakes, believing that these could attract less attention and also use of a root ball and staking support, (as an alternative to a visible stake).

Applications Made to the Vale of White Horse District Council for Permission to Carry Out Development:

(a) The Council had before it the following Applications to Confirm the Planning Committee's Action in respect of District Council Consultation;

<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
13234 Alterations and Extension, 14, Steventon Road.	Recmnd. Approval
635/21 Erect 2 Semi-Detached Dwellings for Greenkeeper Staff, Land off Steventon Rd., Drayton Golf Club.	Recmnd. Refusal
In connection with this Application the Committee had taken account of an application made to the District Council and copied to the Parish Council, by Mr. X. Read, 214, Steventon Road).	
635/22 Extension to Temporary Club-House, Drayton Golf Club, Steventon Road.	Recmnd. Refusal
Resolved to confirm the Planning Committee's action.	

(b) The Council had before it the following Planning Decision taken by District Council;

<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Par. Co. Recmndtn.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
63616/1 Erctn. side Extension, 80, Whitehorns Way.	No Objection	Permit
635/16 Erctn. 2 Semi-Det. Dwellings, land off Steventon Rd., Drayton Golf Club (for Staff).	-do-	-do-

Min. 4(b) Cont/.....

Resolved to note the District Council's Decisions.

Proposed Thames Water Reservoir

Further to Min.6 of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported information from County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie that G.A.R.D. would be holding an organisational meeting at East Hanney on Sunday evening the 11th July, 1993, at which the Parish Council was invited to be represented. Also, Mr. Middle and Mr. Edwards indicated their intention to attend the Public Meeting at East Hanney on the 8th July, 1993.

Ms. Bell and Mr. Thomas reported on their attendance at a Public Meeting at Ardington on the 9th June, (Min.12(a) of 10/5/93 refers), arranged by Ardington Parish Council and to which representatives of other Parish Councils and also Thames Water had been invited. Many of the previous objections to the proposed reservoir were again discussed but as far as Ardington Parish Council itself was concerned, the impression was given that it was looking toward the Reservoir Development as providing an opportunity for gain, particularly in regard to present adverse road and rural spring water conditions.

The Clerk reported a communication from Thames Water proposing that the Parish Council agree to creation of a local Liaison Committee, which would comprise representatives of Thames Water, the Parish Council and Local Residents and would meet about four times a year to discuss the Development proposal and these meetings would have formalised records, minuted by Thames Water. This was discussed in the light of the Parish Council's stance on the Reservoir to the present and the fact that its only resolution of opposition to date had been in relation to support for the District Council's with regard to the size and environmental impact of the proposal, (Min.44(a) of the 1st March, 1993 refers).

Resolved that

The Council be mindful of the need, when appropriate, to fully debate and determine, for record, its own current conclusions on the proposed Reservoir Development.

Thames Water be informed that, for the present, the Council is content with it, in full Membership, to meet representatives of the Company to discuss the Reservoir proposals.

Financial Matter:

The Council had the following Accounts before it for Approval for the year ended 31st March 1994:

Green-Grasscutting/Litter Collection/Footpath Clearance, June	208.54
Cat Services - Agenda Printing	8.23
Mr. J. Newman - Salary (£177.94) & Expenses (£29.16) July	207.10
Ston Hall - Meeting Room Charges, April to June inclusive	18.00
Thames Water Utilities - Burial Ground Water Supply, half year	15.09
Mr. J. Newman & Son, Solicitors-Footpath Land Transfer Fees	46.00
Mr. J. Newman-Work undertaken by late Mr. Newman re. land transfer	75.00

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reference to the Account from Oriand and Son the Clerk reported that sum now payable was due to detail omissions when the Firm submitted its account which had been approved for payment at the Council's previous meeting, (Min.7(a)of7/6/93).
resolved that payment of the Accounts be approved.

Play Area Matter - Lyford Close Play Area Seat

reference to Min.8 of the previous meeting, the Council noted a report from Mr. Caudle on the arrangements now concluded for installation of the seat.

Burial Ground:

(a)Footpath Improvement

reference to Min.10(a) of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported that a specification drawn up by Mr. Caudle had been circulated to four contractors to enable the Council to consider at its next meeting any quotations received.

(b)Trimming of Inner Area Hedge

reference to Min.10(b) of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported that two quotations received, the lowest from N. Green being in the sum of £179.
resolved to defer a decision on acceptance of Mr. Green's quotation until Council's next meeting, when the Clerk would report on the Council's Secretary position.

(c)Removal of Surplus Earth

reference to Min.20(b) of the 10th May, 1993, Mr. Caudle reported that Mr. Curtis and Son had agreed to accept disposal of the excess soil but it would be necessary to incur cost of about £50 in transporting the earth to Curtis' infill site.
resolved to approve transport cost to the approximate level reported by Mr. Curtis.

Communications Received - The Clerk reported details as follow:

1) Removal of Unauthorised Signs on the Highway - The Clerk reported that the Council had received a communication from the County Council inviting it to accept agency powers for removal of unauthorised signs, which it had accepted. This authority was now due for renewal.

2) Diversion of Drayton Footpath 12 in respect of Drayton Golf Club - Letter from the District Council inviting comment on the proposed Order for the Diversion.

3) Drayton Play-Group, Open Afternoon - Letter from the Group inviting Councillors to the event, at Drayton Hall, on the 18th July, 1993.

4) Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils Informatory Circular 3/93.

5) Police "Country Watch Scheme" - Letter from Police Divisional Superintendent on the introduction of the Scheme.

6) County Council "News" Publication for June, 1993.

7) Development Applications Consideration-Advice Booklet received from the Council for Protection of Rural England.

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(h) East-Way Bridle-Way - Letter from Messrs. Buckell and Ballard, Surveyors and Land Agents, Wantage, asking if the Parish Council owned any of the Bridleway land, to which the Clerk had given negative response. Resolved to note the communications received and in respect of:

- (a) that the County Council be requested to continue the Agency arrangement.
- (b) to refer the Proposed Order to Dr. Bell, Chairman of the Footpaths Committee, for comment.
- (d) that the Clerk would take up with the Associations' National Office whether there was possibility of it undertaking a replacement loan, because subsequent interest rate reductions, in respect of the Allotment land purchase in 1992.
- (f) the Clerk would, for Parish Council viewing, seek loan of the County Council Video film in respect of "traffic calming" measures.
- (g) the Advisory Booklet be circulated to Planning Committee Members.

Matters Raised By Councillors

(a) Condition of Footpath to School from Abingdon Road

Council agreed that Mr. Edwards would refer to the Drayton School Head-teacher, for reference for County Council attention if possible, a report by Mr. Lewis on the untidy and damaged state of the Path.

(b) Roadside Verge Overgrowth, Junction of Sutton-Wick Lane with Abingdon Road

Fardey reported that the drivers of vehicles leaving the Lane had their view obstructed by the verge overgrowth on the Abingdon side of the junction.

Resolved that the Clerk refer the report to the County Council Area Committee.

(c) Car Boot Sales held on Sherwood Farm Land, Abingdon Road, on Sunday Mornings

Marlow, joined by other Councillors, reported on the unsatisfactory nature of the Sales because of the extensive area of unlawful highway parking, both for advertisement and traffic regulation purposes and the danger created for road users by vehicles leaving and entering the Site, particularly when assisted by persons standing on the roadway to direct traffic.

Resolved that the Clerk would take the matter up, as appropriate, with the District Council Planning Department, the County Engineer and the Police.

(d) Vehicle Speed Control by Camera Use

Marlow referred to the present ability of the Police to use Cameras for detection of excess speed by vehicles and the fact of highway signs being erected to indicate the threat of this style of police supervision. In response to the Council's request for police action on the B4017 at Drayton he suggested whether it was possible for involvement of camera use and appropriate signing.

Resolved that the Clerk ascertain from the County Engineer the policy and responsibility for erection on the highway of signs indicating use of cameras for vehicle speed detection purposes.

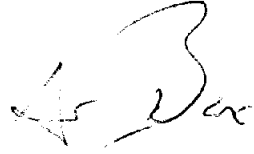
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Meeting

to confirm that the Council's next meeting will be on Monday, 2nd 1995.

Confidential Business

to exclude the Press and Public from the remaining business of the special and private nature of the matter for discussion.

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CHAIRMAN

CONFIDENTIAL

DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Monday, 5th July, 1993

Minutes of Confidential Business Considered

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the Confidential Business at the Council's meeting on the 5th July, 1993, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Plant Gardens off Church Lane - Licences Held by Householders in Church Lane for use of Part of the Allotments Access Land

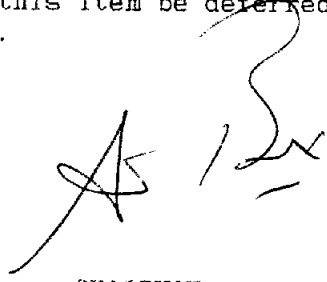
In reference to Paragraph 2 of the Confidential Minutes of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported that he had written, by recorded delivery, to Mr. Williams and Haste informing them of the Council's decision and asking for their comments. He had not received response to date. The Chairman noted the current position.

Possible Acquisition of Additional Recreation Land

In reference to Paragraph 3 of the Confidential Minutes of the previous meeting, the Chairman explained further discussion he had had with Mr. Williams and the impression that the latter had then given that he might be able to donate part of his parcel of land, between the Steventon Road and the A34 Trunk Road, for local community recreation use, if he was able to develop the land for other local need, e.g. improved employment opportunities and the Parish Council felt able to support such a proposal. A considerable discussion of this subject took place with the Council. It was agreed that the District Council's Director of Development and Leisure be invited to receive the Parish Council's Chairman and Vice-Chairman to discuss the planning considerations of provision of additional recreation land at Drayton.

Consideration of Preservation Order Application - Drayton Copse

In reference to Paragraph 4 of the Confidential Business of the previous meeting, it was agreed that discussion of this Item be deferred until Dr. Williams was available to speak on the subject.



CHAIRMAN

PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on Monday, 2nd August, 1993, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 7.45pm.

Present: Councillors Mr. Bax, (Chairman); Mrs. Barlow, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Mole, Mr. Pardey, Mr. Stimpson and Mr. Thomas.
Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie was also present.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Bell and Mr. Caudle.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 5th July, 1993, were read and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Litter Clearance - Meeting with Drayton Hall and Recreation Ground Management Committee - Para.3(b)(i)

The Council discussed the meeting with the Membership of the Hall and Recreation Ground Committee, which had been held on the 12th July, 1993 and at which the Council had been represented by the Chairman, together with Mr. Edwards, Lewis, Pardey, Stimpson, Thomas and the Clerk. It was noted that it had been made clear to the Committee that the Council understood that the Committee's management responsibilities for the Drayton Hall and Recreation Ground Charity included, within the terms of the Charity Commissioners' Order creating the Charity, supervision of all the Charity's property. Subordinate to this the Parish Council had, in 1974, agreed to assist the Charity Management Committee by maintaining the Recreation Ground and Childrens' Play Area only.

The Chairman reported details of a letter addressed to him by the Chairman of the Management Committee, following the 12th July meeting, which stated in consequence of the meeting that the Committee was prepared to clear the Hall Car Park of litter on a temporary basis and would seek reimbursement of costs from the Council, but in general terms the Committee expected the Council to take management responsibility for all external areas of the Hall because of their unrestricted access for public use. The Committee would then pay to the Council an agreed share of the cost of this general advisory work. After much consideration the Council decided that the Chairman of the Drayton Hall and Management Committee be informed, for the information of his Committee, that the Parish Council would not accept management responsibility (and therefore litter clearance duties) for the Drayton Hall Car Park. The Council was, subject to the Management Committee's agreement, prepared to continue its earlier commitment to assist the Committee by taking maintenance responsibility for the Recreation Ground and Childrens' Play Area.

"Rights of Way", Drayton to Marcham - Para.3(c)

In the absence of Dr. Bell it was agreed to defer this item to the Council's next meeting.

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(c) Removal of Unauthorised Signs on the Highway - Para.9(a)

The Clerk reported that the County Council had renewed, until further notice, its arrangement for the Parish Council to have delegated responsibility for County Council powers to remove unauthorised signs. Council resolved to note the Parish Council's continued authority to act as agent for the County Council and for the satisfactory conduct of this arrangement. The Parish Council, in turn, appoints its Council Members as its representatives for the removal of unauthorised signs.

(d) Footpath 12 Diversion - Para. 9(b)

The Clerk reported that the consultation communication had now been withdrawn by the Vale of White Horse District Council because some of the information within it was found to be too small to be satisfactorily read. A new draft order was to be issued. Council resolved to note the communication and that the new draft order be forwarded to Dr. Bell, Chairman of the Footpaths Committee, for his consideration and recommendations to the Parish Council.

(e) Traffic Calming Measure Video - Para.9(f)

Council noted a report by the Clerk that the Video Film, which has a running time" of about 15 minutes, would be loaned by the County Council for viewing at the Parish Council's next meeting.

(f) Condition of School Footpath - Para. 10(a)

Council noted a report by Mr. Edwards that on examination of the Path had found that it was now generally improved in tidiness (and without notable surface damage).

(g) Verge Overgrowth, Sutton Wick Lane/Abingdon Road junction - Pa.10(b)

Council noted a report by the Clerk that the County Council Area Officer had agreed to attend to the overgrowth.

(h) Car Boot Sales, Sherwood Farm-land - Para.10(c)

Council noted a report by the Clerk that he had referred the matter to Police, County Engineer and the District Council. Further, that replies had been received from the County Engineer, reporting the difficulty for his Department in effectively dealing with unauthorised parking over a large area and the District Council Planning Enforcement Officer on action taken to ensure that the number of "Boot Sales" held on the land did not exceed the level permitted by Planning Regulations.

(i) Vehicle Speed Control by Camera Use - Para.10(d)

Council noted a report by the Clerk on a response from the County Engineer, stating that his Department took responsibility for signing of signs for police surveillance of vehicle speeds by camera use. The primary use of this signing in Drayton Parish would be considered when circumstances permitted.

Applications Made to the Vale of White Horse District Council for Permission to Carry Out Development:

Min. 4 Cont/.....

(a) The Council had before it the following Application to Confirm the Planning Committee's Action in respect of District Council Consultation;

	<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
PA/13282	First floor extension, 16, Steventon Road.	Recommend Approval

Resolved to confirm the Planning Committee's action.

(b) The Council had before it the following Planning Decision taken by the District Council;

	<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Par. Co. Recmmdtn.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
PA/12031/	Two storey side & single storey front & rear extns., 68, Whiteborne Way.	No Objection	Permit
PA/13234	Alterations & extension, 14, Steventon road.	Recommend Approval	-do-

Resolved to note the District Council's Decisions.

Proposed Thames Water Reservoir

Further to Min. 5 of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported a communication from Thames Water proposing a meeting with the Parish Council at Drayton Hall on either the 13th or 20th September next. The communication also enclosed, for the Council's reference, a number of "before and after" photo-montage illustrations of the proposed reservoir. In addition, the Clerk gave details of a letter from Councillor Terry Cox, Leader of the White Horse District Council, in relation to Thames Water holding local liaison meetings with Parish Councils and others and suggested this could be divisive for local Parishes and result in applications for the District Council as Planning Authority. Mrs. McKenzie reported that she was aware of arrangement for the District Council to now have a meeting with Thames Water Officials on the 20th September.

Resolved that Thames Water be informed that in view of its intended meeting with the District Council on the 20th September the Parish Council preferred to defer consideration of any meeting with the Company's Officials pending information from the Company's meeting with the District Council. Further, that the Leader of the District Council be notified of the Parish Council's position with regard to a "liaison" meeting with Thames Water and it be suggested to him that a meeting be called to ensure there were not conflicts of interests through differing Councils dealing with Thames Water.

Financial Matters:

(a) The Council had the following Accounts before it for Approval for

	<u>£</u>
Men - Grasscutting/Litter Clearance, July	180.54
Cat Services - Agenda Printing	9.40
Salary (£177.94) & Expenses (£29.16) August	207.10
Moulton - Removal of Surplus earth from Burial Ground	58.75
Services - Quarterly Inspection of Play Areas	13.00

Resolved that payment of the Accounts be approved.

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(b) Loan Interest Rate for Allotment Land Purchase

In reference to Min.99(d) of the previous meeting, the Council noted a report by the Clerk that he was awaiting communication from the Officer, at the National Association's Offices, who dealt with loan matters.

Play Area Matters

Clerk gave details of M.R.H. Services (Mr. Herring) report on the quarterly inspection of the Play Areas undertaken in July. In respect of Ford Close the equipment was found satisfactory but a loose section of slide (awaiting installation at the Play Area) had been removed because one had, unsafely, leant it against a timber unit. With regard to Lock-Way, the equipment was in satisfactory condition for use but the "Single Gym" Climbing frame was showing continuing corrosion of "U Bolt" fittings and around the newly installed slide there was a prominent surface which required attention to avoid tripping.

Mrs. Mole, Chairman of the Recreation Committee, said that she would be talking to Mr. Herring about permanent installation of the slide part at Ford Close and also removal of the deteriorating Climbing Frame and attention to the Slide surface at Lock-Way. The latter would be in connection with D.R.A.G. proposals for continued refurbishment at Lock-Way, use of the substantial grant promised by the District Council. Mrs. Mole outlined the Drayton Recreation Action Group suggestions for further equipment and surface treatment at Lock-Way.

Resolved to note the reports received and in respect of the safety issues raised by Mr. Herring, to agree to arrangements being made by Mrs. Mole for their attention.

Installation of additional equipment and surface treatment at Lock-Way agreed in principle to D.R.A.G. proposals, subject to eventual receipt of details and thereafter the ordering of work and payments for it from District Council Grant, being undertaken by the Parish Council because of its ongoing responsibility for management of the Play Area.

Financial Ground:

(a) Footpath Improvement

In reference to Min.8(a) of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported details of two quotations received, (from a total of four Contractors who had tendered for the work). It was agreed that consideration of the quotations received be deferred to the Council's next meeting, when Mr. Caudle, who prepared the work specification on the Council's behalf, could be present.

(b) Trimming of Inner Area Hedge

In reference to Min.8(b) of the previous meeting, the Clerk gave details of the Council's financial position with regard to proceeding with the work during this Financial Year.

It was agreed that Mr. Green's quotation of £179 for attention to the hedge be accepted and the work put in hand.

"Best Kept" Village Competition, 1993

Clerk gave details of the Judges' report on Drayton Parish, with regard to its entry for the Oxfordshire Rural Community Council organised competition. The Council noted, within a generally good report, critical comments about a disused glass structure on the Allotments Gardens and excessive litter on the Drayton Hall Car Park and Recreation Ground. In regard to the litter situation on the Council supervised Recreation Ground the Chairman referred to a recent local advert by a Mr. Bott, regarding work of general nature.

It was noted that the Competition Judges comments on the Allotment Structure be referred for consideration by the General Purposes Committee, in consultation with the Allotment Users Liaison Group. Drayton Hall Car Park would, as appropriate, be referred by the Chairman to the Hall Committee Chairman. The Recreation Ground be acted upon by ascertaining if Mr. Bott, in absence of a regular "Village Caretaker" Contractor, was prepared to undertake work for clearing litter from the area. The Chairman and Clerk to be delegated responsibility for acceptance of a suitable quotation and arrangements for payment for the work undertaken.

- Communications Received - The Clerk reported details as follow:
- (a) Overgrowth of Bridleways - Letter to Chairman and telephone call to Clerk by Mrs. M. Beadie, 68, Steventon Road, representing British Horse Society and expressing concern about obstruction overgrowth had for horse riders.
 - (b) "Pavements are for People" - Posters and Car Stickers received from District Council Chief Engineer, with regard to publicity campaign being undertaken by County Council, Police and the District Council to deter obstruction of roadside pavements by parked vehicles.
 - (c) Planning and Development in the Vale of White Horse District Council - District Council half-year report for October, 1992 to March, 1993.
 - (d) "Road Safety" Plan, 1993/94 - Copy of Oxfordshire County Council publication.
 - (e) Oxfordshire Bus and Rail Map - Copies of 1993 edition of the County Council publication.
- It was noted to note the communications received and that in respect of (a) the Clerk had explained to Mrs. Beadie that the County Council had prior responsibility for Bridleways.

Matters Raised By Councillors

- (a) Drayton Copse
Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie reported that her attention had been drawn to the value of the Copse in respect of flora and fauna in the parish and the desirability of it being preserved.
- (b) Overgrowth of Roadside Boundary Hedge, Manor Farm
Councillor Mr. Morley and the Chairman spoke on the overgrowth impeding on the road, both in Abingdon Road and Henleys Lane. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to the Farm owner, Mr. de Haan.

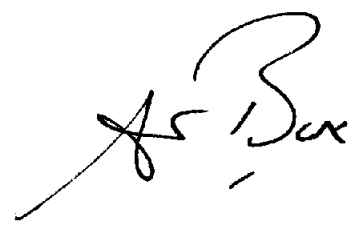
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Next Meeting

Resolved to confirm that the Council's next meeting will be on Monday, 6th September, 1993.

Confidential Business

Resolved to exclude the Press and Public from the remaining business because of the special and private nature of the matter for discussion.



CHAIRMAN

CONFIDENTIAL

DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Monday, 2nd, August, 1993

Minutes of Confidential Business Considered

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the Confidential Business at the Council's meeting on the 27th July, 1993, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Allotment Gardens off Church Lane - Licences Held by Householders in Church Lane for use of Part of the Allotments Access Land

In reference to Paragraph 2 of the Confidential Minutes of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported that he had recently spoken on the telephone to Mrs. Williams and Haste and both had promised response on the Parish Council's letter with regard to future rental arrangements. A reply had not yet been received from Mr. Williams to date however and he had confirmed that he was unaware whether a previous licence for use of the land had been transferred to him but he had signified that he would be interested in future rental at £52 per annum.

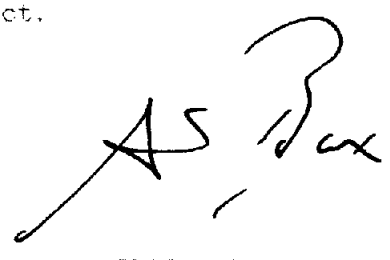
It was resolved that the Clerk seek the advice of the Association of Local Authorities with regard to the Parish Council's ability to arrange new rental arrangements if an existing tenant could not claim possession of a present licence.

Possible Acquisition of Additional Recreation Land

In reference to Paragraph 3 of the Confidential Minutes of the previous meeting, the Council noted a report by the Chairman that he awaited information from the District Council Director of Leisure and Development in respect of meeting arrangements.

Consideration of Preservation Order Application - Drayton Copse

In reference to Paragraph 4 of the Confidential Business of the previous meeting, it was agreed that discussion of this item be deferred until Dr. Williams was available to speak on the subject.



CHAIRMAN

PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

The Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on Monday, 6th September, 1993, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 7.45pm.

Present: Councillors Mr. Bax, (Chairman); Mrs. Barlow, Mrs. Bell, Dr. Bell, Mr. Caudle, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Stimpson and Mr. Thomas.

Members of the Public, (Mr. J. Beames and Mr. Tucknott), attended

Public Participation

(a) Disturbance by Use of Drayton Hall Car Park (and Drayton Hall)

Beames and Mr. Tucknott complained to the Council about the continued late night disturbance from the Hall Car Park, caused by the manner in which local young persons, in the course of congregating there, used the Car Park with their vehicles. The complainants asked what had become of the proposal to create a new "lay-out" for the Car Park, to prevent nuisance activity by vehicles and said that they had delayed complaint because of the continuing expectation that the work would soon be done.

Gentlemen also raised the problem of late night noise disturbance from the Hall itself, principally because of the Building's doors being left open. On Friday last, 3rd September, the nuisance had been aggravated by persons moving out through the doors and standing "drinking" in external areas. This had resulted in the Police being called.

Chairman informed Messrs. Beames and Tucknott that the matters raised would be forwarded to the Hall Committee for its consideration. The Council would also point out that it was itself keen to know what had become of the proposed "lay-out" works for the Car Park.

(b) Parish Council Allotment Gardens, Church Lane

Tucknott asked whether the Council had any plans for creation of a private driveway in to the Allotment Gardens area, from Church Lane. The Chairman said that it was the Council's wish to improve upon the present pedestrian/cyclist only access facilities to the Allotment Gardens but, because of the probable cost of the work, it would have to be viewed as a long term commitment.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. Lewis, Mr. Pardey and County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 2nd August, 1993, were read and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Traffic Calming - Oxfordshire County Council Video Film - Para.3(e)

Council viewed the Film and noted it as providing helpful information for consideration/implementation of "traffic calming" schemes.

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Blitter Clearance - Consultation with Drayton Hall and Recreation Management Committee - Para.3(a)

Council noted a report by the Clerk that the Hall Management Committee was notified of the Council's decision and response was still awaited.

"Rights of Way"

(i) Drayton to Marcham - Para.3(b)

Council noted a report by Dr. Bell that he was shortly to meet Mr. Bell, landowner of areas crossed by Drayton to Marcham Bridleways. (Copy of the matter of proceeding with Diversion Orders to formalise the routes used.)

(ii) Footpath 12 Diversion - Para.3(d)

Clerk reported that the new "Divert Order" for the diversion had been received from the Vale of White Horse District Council and, because of the need for response, forwarded to Dr. Bell, Chairman of the Footpaths Committee. Dr. Bell had recommended that the Parish Council should fully support the District Council's proposed diversion of Footpath 12. This conclusion had been notified to the District Council.

Dr. Bell added, for information and record only, that Footpath 12 near to Moor in the vicinity of the Thames Water Sewage Works remained unmarked and unofficially diverted.

Dr. Bell noted the present situation and to confirm the decision reached by Dr. Bell and forwarded to the Vale of White Horse District Council.

Allotment Gardens Management

(i) Disused Glass Structure - Para.9(i)

Further discussion of this matter it was agreed that the Clerk arrange an "on site" meeting between Mr. Caudle (Chairman of the General Purposes Committee) and the Allotment Holders Representatives, Messrs. T. Cox, G. Currey and J. Spencer to consider any further action in respect of the disused structure (and any other relevant matters raised), for report to the Council's next meeting, for information.

(ii) Entry Path Overgrowth

Mr. Simpson reported that the Allotment access path from Church Lane was severely restricted by surface and adjoining boundaries overgrowth. It was agreed that Mr. Green, the Council's grasscutting contractor be requested to provide a quotation for cutting and removing the overgrowth.

Car Boot Sales, Sherwood Farm Land - Para.3(h)

Clerk reported for information that he had made clarification enquiry with the District Council's Planning Department with regard to the total number of days, in any one Year, upon which events, of varying nature, could be held on the Sherwood Farm Land. He had been informed that a total of 14 days use was possible but, within this, uses for "Car Boot Sales", "Racing", or Vehicle Racing, were each restricted to a total of 14 days.

Applications Made to the Vale of White Horse District Council for Permission to Carry Out Development:

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(a) The Council had before it the following Applications to Confirm the Planning Committee's Action in respect of District Council Consultation:

	<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
DRA/8983/2	First floor extn., 39, Whitenorn's Way.	No Objection.
The Clerk reported that the Council had received a copy of representations made to the District Council by Mr. Morgan, of 136a, Whitehorn Way, in respect of this Application. He gave details of this communication, which had also been circulated for the Planning Committee's information).		
DRA/8570/2	Two storey extn., 55, Abingdon Road.	No Objection.
Resolved to confirm the Planning Committee's action and to note that the matters raised by Mr. Morgan, in respect of Application DRA/8983/2, were largely technical and for consideration of District Council adjustment by addition to any approval given.		

(b) The Council had before it the following Planning Decision taken by the District Council:

	<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Par. Co. Recommendation</u>	<u>Decision</u>
DRA/635/2	Erctn. of 2 dwllgs., land off Steventon Rd., Drayton Golf Club.	Refusal	Refuse
DRA/13282	1st floor extn., 16, Steventon Rd.	Recommend Approval	Permit
Resolved to note the District Council's Decisions.			

Proposed Thames Water Reservoir

The Chairman and Mr. Caudle reported on a meeting of G.A.R.D., (Group for Action Against Reservoir Development), which they had attended at East Hanney on the 25th August last. They explained that the Group had its origins in the previous and now disbanded group based on East Hanney, G.A.R. (Hanney Action Group Against the Reservoir). That the new Group was well organised, well supported by a broad section of community interest, inclusive of Parish Council representation and had a responsible attitude toward representing its views, making it clear that its stance was in opposition to the Thames Water Company present proposals. Resolved that G.A.R.D. be informed that this Parish Council supports its opposition to the Thames Water Company's present proposals for development of a Reservoir, South-west of Abingdon and that the following Members of Parish Council are appointed to be its Representatives to attend, as available, meetings of G.A.R.D.: Councillors Caudle and Edwards and the Chairman of the Council (Mr. Bax).

Financial Matters:

(a) Loan Interest Rate for Allotment Land Purchase

In reference to Min.6(b) of the previous meeting, the Council noted a report by the Clerk that he had now been advised from the Office of the National Association of Local Councils that the cost of restructuring the Parish Councils loan could not, at present, be justified in relation to the interest rate which would be available and that currently paid.

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(b) Audit of Councils Books 1992/3

The Council noted a report by the Clerk that the audit of the Council's books had been completed, without Auditor query or report.

(c) Confirmation of Work Arranged and Account Paid

With reference to Min. 9(iii) of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported that Mr. Bott had submitted a quotation in the sum of £48 for clearance of litter from the Recreation Ground. This had been accepted by approval by the Chairman, the work had been carried out and a cheque drawn for payment. The Council resolved to confirm the action taken by the Chairman and the Clerk for attention to the Recreation Ground litter problem.

(d) The Council had the following Accounts before it for Approval for payment;

	£
Green - Grasscutting/Litter Clearance, August	180.54
Wright-Cat Services - Agenda Printing	22.03
Wright - Salary (£177.94) & Expenses (£29.16) September	
Post. (£28.27) & Tel. Calls (£14.70) June-August	250.07
Mole of White Horse D.C. - Attention to Fitting in Play Area	36.00

The Clerk explained that Mrs. Mole had reported an ill-fitting inspection cover in the surface of the Play Area and the District Council had been requested to take urgent action to correct the situation.

Peat Marwick - Audit of Accounts 1992/93	240.88
Wright & Sons Ltd. - Supply of Administrative Record Books	67.56

The Council resolved to confirm the action taken by the Clerk in respect of the Play Area work and that payment of the Accounts be approved.

"Village Caretaker" Contractor

The Chairman reported that a Mr. Green of 2A, Manor Close had offered to undertake litter clearance and other general work for the Parish Council.

The Clerk said that she had spoken to Mr. Green and confirmed that he was available, in his employment circumstances, to carry out work for the Council if it appeared suitable that his services were accepted for a three month trial period initially.

The Council resolved that Mr. Green's offer to undertake "Village Caretaker" work be accepted, that this be on a three month trial period initially, for a maximum of ten hours a month and a payment rate not exceeding £4 an hour.

The Council further resolved that Mr. Thomas be appointed as the Council's representative to liaise with Mr. Green on the work which was to be undertaken.

Footpath, Binning Close to East-Way

With reference to Min. 7 of the 7th June last, the Clerk reported that when Land and Son had submitted details to H.M. Land Registry, for record of part of the Footpath land gifted to the Council, the Registry Office replied that its records suggested that Mr. Carpenter had disposed of his interest in the Footpath land when disposing of the Binning Close site

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development. Moriand and Son doubted the correctness of this judgement and consideration was now being given to the information available to query with the Land Registry Office.
resolved to note the current situation.

Play Area Matters

With reference to Min.7 of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported that information was awaited from Mrs. Mole with regard to improved facilities at Lock-Way and arrangements made with Mr. Herring for attention to present gates in unsatisfactory condition. He added that he had asked Mr. Herring to remove the unsecured slide sections from Lyford Close until they were repaired for secure installation.

Caudie reported a fault in the metal work of the gate to Lyford Close play area and proposed that he arrange for Grace & Son, The Forge, Drayton, to undertake the work.

resolved to note the reports received and agree that Mr. Caudie arrange for Grace and Son to attend to the Lyford Close Play Area gate.

Burial Ground - Footpath Improvement

With reference to Min.8(a) of the previous meeting, the Council considered quotations received from M.R.H. Services and Messrs. Thomas and Jarvis. resolved to accept Messrs. Thomas and Jarvis quotation to undertake the work for the total sum of £2,792, (i.e Section "A" £1305; "B" £522 and "C" £965) and that they be requested to deal with Section "A" forthwith and to attend to attention to the remaining Sections.

- Communications Received - The Clerk reported details as follow:
- (a) Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils Circular 4/93 - Extracts relating to "Parish Constables" and "Parish Councils' Role in Community" previously circulated for the information of all Members.
 - (b) "Dog Fouling" Bye-Law Signs, Lyford Close - Request from Mr. Housing Warden, Vale of White Horse District Council, that the Parish Council consider installing signs by elderly persons dwellings.
 - (c) Lighting to District Council Garage Areas - Letter from District Council regarding problem of unilluminated garage areas.
 - (d) Oxfordshire County Council - Minerals and Waste Local Plan - Deposit 1993

resolved to note the communications received and in respect of (a) Caudie would seek to install any unused signs held by the Parish Council; (c) the District Council be informed that there were no known unilluminated areas at Drayton.

Matters Raised By Councillors

Burial Ground - Tree Planting

Caudie suggested that consideration be given to additional tree planting at the Council's Burial Ground.
resolved that the District Council be requested to include the Burial Ground within the 1993/94 Amenity Tree Planting programme.

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(b) Speed Limit Areas and Road Surface "Rumble Stripping"

With reference to possible traffic Calming measures (Item 4(a) of these minutes), Mr. Thomas queried the possibility of commencement of 30mp.h. speed limit areas in the Parish being marked by "rumble stripping" in the road surface.

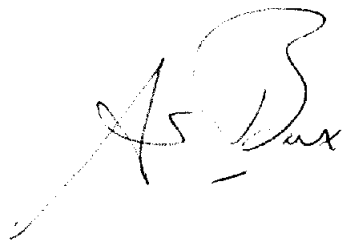
Resolved that the Clerk take the matter up with the County Engineer.

Next Meeting

Resolved to confirm that the Council's next meeting will be on Monday, 4th October, 1993.

Confidential Business

Resolved to exclude the Press and Public from the remaining business because of the special and private nature of the matter for discussion.



CHAIRMAN

CONFIDENTIAL

DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Monday, 6th September, 1993

Business of Confidential Business Considered

Business of the Previous Meeting

Business of the Confidential Business at the Council's meeting on the 22nd September, 1993, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Business of Gardens off Church Lane - Licences Held by Householders in respect of use of Part of the Allotments Access Land

In accordance with Paragraph 2 of the Confidential Minutes of the previous meeting the Clerk reported that, after further communications to him, Mr. [Name] now produced a copy of the original licence agreement, for use of the allotment access land, made in 1966 between Miss Bradfield (owner of the Allotments land) and the first occupant of the land now owned by Mr. Haste. Mr. Haste had not explained how the copy was to be passed to him. The Clerk added that response was still awaited from the National Association of Local Councils on the further action sought by the Council. The Clerk will note the current position and to await the further legal advice from the National Association of Local Councils.

Business of Acquisition of Additional Recreation Land

In accordance with Paragraph 3 of the Confidential Minutes of the previous meeting the Chairman stated that he and the Vice-Chairman had now had a meeting with District Council Planning Department representatives. They advised that some minor development might be possible on Mr. [Name] land and this information had been conveyed to him. It appeared that this was not acceptable within his more ambitious plans however and he has sought professional advice on the subject. The matter must therefore be considered as the Council is concerned. The Clerk will note the present conclusion of this subject.

Business of Preservation Order Application - Drayton Copse

In accordance with Paragraph 4 of the Confidential Business of the previous meeting Mr. Bell explained that there could be local environmental benefits from the Parish Council seeking implementation of a Preservation Order on Drayton Copse. The Clerk will ascertain from the District Council the criteria for creation of a Preservation Order, to allow the Council to consider this matter further at its next meeting.

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CHAIRMAN

CONFIDENTIAL

DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Monday, 6th September, 1993

Minutes of Confidential Business Considered

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the Confidential Business at the Council's meeting on the August, 1993, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Allotment Gardens off Church Lane - Licences Held by Householders in Church Lane for use of Part of the Allotments Access Land

In reference to Paragraph 2 of the Confidential Minutes of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported that, after further communications to him, Mr. [redacted] had now produced a copy of the original licence agreement, for use of [redacted] of the allotment access land, made in 1906 between Miss Bradfield (former owner of the Allotments land) and the first occupant of the [redacted] party now owned by Mr. Haste. Mr. Haste had not explained how the copy [redacted] came to be passed to him. The Clerk added that response was still [redacted] from the National Association of Local Councils on the further [redacted] advice sought by the Council.

[redacted] advised to note the current position and to await the further legal advice [redacted] from the National Association of Local Councils.

Possible Acquisition of Additional Recreation Land

In reference to Paragraph 3 of the Confidential Minutes of the previous meeting, the Chairman stated that he and the Vice-Chairman had now had a meeting with District Council Planning Department representatives. They indicated that some minor development might be possible on Mr. [redacted]'s land and this information had been conveyed to him. It appeared [redacted] this was not acceptable within his more ambitious plans however and he [redacted] seek professional advice on the subject. The matter must therefore [redacted] as far as the Council is concerned.

[redacted] advised to note the present conclusion of this subject.

Consideration of Preservation Order Application - Drayton Copse

In reference to Paragraph 4 of the Confidential Business of the previous meeting, Dr. Bell explained that there could be local environmental [redacted] in the Parish Council seeking implementation of a Preservation Order for Drayton Copse.

[redacted] advised that the Clerk ascertain from the District Council the criteria [redacted] for creation of a Preservation Order, to allow the Council to [redacted] further this matter further at its next meeting.


CHAIRMAN

PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on Monday, 4th
September, 1993, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 7.45pm.

Present: Councillors Mr. Bax, (Chairman); Mrs. Bell, Mr. Caudle, Mr.
Harris, Mr. Pardey, Mr. Stimpson and Mr. Thomas.
Member of the Public, (Mr. J. Spencer), attended.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Barlow, Dr. Bell and Mr.
Harris.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 6th September, 1993, were
approved and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

(a) Drayton Hall and Car Park - Paras. 1(a) and 4(b)

In reference to the disturbance arising from use of the Hall (Para.1(a))
Clerk reported a letter from Mr. Fleming, Chairman of the Drayton Hall
Recreation Ground Management Committee, expressing the concern of his
Committee also about disorderly events at the Hall and detailing
procedures, in relation to "bookings", now to be applied by the Committee
in an effort to overcome the problem.

In regard to the matter of improper use of the Hall Car Park (Para.1(a))
Chairman reported a communication to him from Mr. Fleming stating that
Committee had problems in progressing its intended kerbing scheme
because it felt unable to do it on its own responsibility, in particular
stating that new insurance risks were involved. The Committee's Insurers
did not provide for Car Park users who were visiting parts of the Site
other than the Hall. The Council was asked whether its Insurers would
provide this additional cover.

In relation to discussions which had been held with the Committee in
respect of its absolute responsibility for and the Parish Council's agreed
assistance with, management of the Hall and Recreation Ground
Charity's property, (Para.4(b) of the previous meeting and Para.3(a) of
1993) the Chairman reported that Mr. Fleming's communication to him
included copies of the correspondence of twenty years ago, whereby the
Council had agreed this assistance and also information on the Council's
expenditure incurred in providing the management aid. Much of this detail
had already been referred to in recent discussions with the Hall and
Recreation Ground Management Committee.

It was resolved that Mr. Fleming be informed, with regard to:

(i) insurance risk cover for users of Drayton Hall Car Park that as
the Council had not management responsibility for the Car Park it could not
assist with insurance arrangements.

(ii) management of the Drayton Hall and Recreation Ground Charity's
property, the Council would at its next meeting, on the 1st November, 1993,
consider whether it should now terminate its previous agreement to take

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management responsibility for the Play Area and Recreation Ground. It was therefore desirable that his Committee's wishes or views on this should be known to the Council before its meeting.

(b) "Rights of Way"

(i) Drayton to Marcham - Para.4(c)

Council noted a report by the Chairman that he understood from Dr. Bell that he had discussed with Mr. Caudwell the matter of process of diversion for applications to regularise the present bridleway routing and Mr. Caudwell had agreed to take responsibility for initiating the necessary action.

(ii) Binning Close to East-Way Footpath - Para.9

Council noted a report by the Clerk that enquiries were still in hand to identify evidence upon which Morland & Son could make response presentation to the Land Registry Office.

(c) "Village Caretaker" Contractor - Para.8

Thomas reported on Mr. R. Green's work, which had totalled 10 hours during September. He submitted the Account submitted by Mr. Green and the Council discussed the work that he could be invited to undertake during the month of October.

(d) Dog Fouling Bye-Law Signs, Lyford Close - Para.12(b)

Caudle reported that several signs were in hand and available for use at Lyford Close. The Council agreed that Mr. Stoner, the District Council's Housing Warden, be requested to contact Mr. Caudle to discuss the best locations the signs could best be used and arrangements for their installation.

(e) Burial Ground Tree Planting - Para.13(a)

Clerk confirmed that the tree planting proposal had been referred to District Council with request that Mr. Caudle be contacted on any suitable work. The Council noted that Mr. Caudle had not yet received any contact from the District Council.

Applications Made to the Vale of White Horse District Council for Decision to Carry Out Development:

(a) The Council had before it the following Application to Confirm the Planning Committee's Action in respect of District Council Consultation;

<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
V5052/2 First floor extension, 52, Whitehorns Way.	No Objection

resolved to confirm the Planning Committee's action.

(b) The Council had before it the following Planning Decisions taken by District Council;

<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Par.Co.Recommndtn.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
V5052/2 1st Floor extn., 52, Whitehorns Way.	No Objection	Permit
V8570/2 Two storey extn., 55, Abingdon Road.	-do-	-do-

resolved to note the District Council's Decisions.

Proposed Thames Water Reservoir

Council noted a report by the Chairman that in response to an enquiry B.B.C. Radio Oxford he had confirmed the Council's decision to not, the present, consult with Thames Water officials without reference to District and other Parish Councils. (Min.5 of 2/8/93 refers).

Accounts for Approval for Payment

Council had the following accounts before it for approval for payment;

	£
Green - Grasscutting/Litter Clearance, September	180.54
Cat Services - Agenda Printing	9.40
Clark - Salary (£177.94)&Expenses (£29.16) October	207.10
Wilton Hall - Room Hire, July-September	18.00
R. Green - "Village Caretaker" Work - September	40.00

Resolved that payment of the Accounts be approved.

Play/Recreational Area Matters

Council noted that there were no matters requiring consideration.

Allotment Gardens:

(a) Management Meeting with Allotment Holder Representatives;

In reference to Min.4(d)(i) of the previous meeting, Mr. Caudle reported he had had a meeting with the Allotment Holders Representatives on the 15th September last and this had been combined with an inspection of the allotments. In general the allotment gardens were well cultivated and very well maintained. The representatives had agreed that the Plot-holder of the unsightly glass structure was located should be asked to dismantle and remove it. Further, that the person renting an uncultivated plot situated immediately on the left of the allotment entry area should, because of its detrimental appearance, be asked if he wished to give up the use of the Plot as use was not made of it.

Resolved that the Clerk communicate with the Plotholders responsible for the glass structure and the uncultivated allotment, respectively, regarding removal of the structure and a decision on continuation of use of the uncared for plot.

(b) Quotation for Attention to Entry Path Overgrowth

In reference to Min.4(d)(ii) of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported that Mr. Green had submitted a quotation of £10 for attention to the overgrowth. Mr. Caudle reported that his site meeting with Allotment Representatives had indicated that ideally not only the over-growth on the entry path but its surface should be attended to, by "weedkiller" application, leveling and gravel surfacing as necessary.

Resolved that Mr. Green be invited to re-quote for the more extensive attention, as described by Mr. Caudle, to the allotment entry path and the area and Vice-Chairman be given delegated authority to approve any suitable quotation, if this is received well in advance of the Council's next meeting.

Local Government Review - Role of Parish Councils

Clerk referred to meetings which had taken place during March last
been representatives of the District Council and local Parish Councils,
in.5(a) of the 5th April, 1993 last refers) in consequence of Central
Government's current review of the structure of Local Government. He
reported fully a communication now received from the District Council
setting out matters raised by Parish Councils for improved service
co-operation with the District Council and the decisions taken by the
District Council in these respects. The Council noted the current position
that the District Council would be arranging further consultation
meetings during 1994.

Communications Received - The Council noted details reported by the
Clerk, as follow:

- (a) Proposed Fried Fish Shop, Abingdon Road - Telephone call received by
Clerk from Mrs. Richardson, 86(b), Abingdon Road, objecting to an
parent proposal to change use of nearby Shop premises to a "Fried Fish
Shop". Mrs. Richardson had been told that the Parish Council was not aware
of this and advised to consult the District Council Planning Department.
- (b) "Church Cottage", Church Lane - Letter from District Council
Clerk reporting the re-naming of this address from previous "Tw Newydd".
- (c) District Council Environmental Health Department Annual Report
1993
- (d) District Council Environmental Department Advisory Information on
Availability of publicity material in relation to "Healthy Diet"; "Bonfire
Night" and "Play-Ground Safety".

Matters Raised By Councillors

- (a) Railway Services
Stimpson reported a communication received from the Rural Community
Council by Mrs. Stimpson, the Council's Public Transport Representative, on
subject of railway services for the area. Mrs. Stimpson would be
organising local distribution of this information.
- (b) Building Development, 12, Haywards Road
Stimpson referred to erection of an external structure at this address,
in respect of which the Council had not been consulted by the District
Council in relation to planning approval. It was agreed that the Clerk
should query with the District Council the planning status of the Building.
- (c) Highway Maintenance Needs
It was agreed that the Clerk would refer to the County Council Area
Clerk items raised by, Mr. Thomas about the poor state of repair of
wide footway surfaces at Whitehorns Way; the Chairman about similar
conditions at the corner of Henleys Lane/Abingdon Road and Mrs. Bell about
wide footpath weed overgrowth restricting surface widths on the eastern
side of Abingdon Road between Gravel and Henleys Lane junctions.

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(d) Need for Cycle Track B4017 Drayton/Abingdon Road

Resolved that the Clerk refer to the County Engineer a proposal by Mr. [redacted] that assessment be given to installation of a "Cycle Track" alongside the B4017 Road between Drayton and Abingdon. For many years cyclists had used the roadside footway but with restriction of this, because of boundary property overgrowth, they were now being forced back on the roadway, in competition with the fast and heavy volume of motor vehicle traffic.

(e) Regularity of Council Member Attendance at Meetings

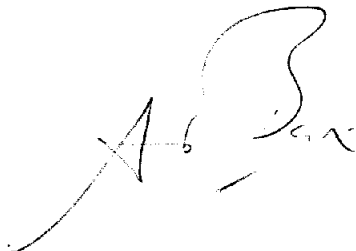
Chairman requested that this item be placed on the Agenda for the Council's next meeting.

Next Meeting

Resolved to confirm that the Council's next meeting will be on Monday, 1st [redacted]ber, 1993.

Confidential Business

Resolved to exclude the Press and Public from the remaining business because of the special and private nature of the matter for discussion.



CHAIRMAN

CONFIDENTIAL

DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Monday, 4th October, 1993

Minutes of Confidential Business Considered

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the Confidential Business at the Council's meeting on the 24th September, 1993, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

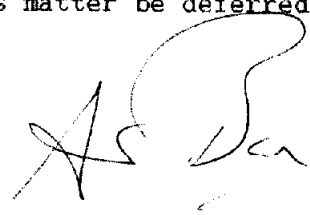
Allotment Gardens off Church Lane - Licences Held by Householdors in Church Lane for use of Part of the Allotments Access Land

In reference to Paragraph 2 of the Confidential Minutes of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported that advice had now been received from the Secretary to the National Association of Local Councils stating that in his view Licences between Miss Bradfield and the original owners of the properties at 28 and 30 Church Lane were no longer valid unless formally "assigned" to the present property owners. Therefore, in the absence of evidence of this "assignment" the Parish Council was entitled to negotiate Licences with the present owners.

It was resolved that this advice to the Council be referred to the owners of 28 and 30 Church Lane and that, in the absence of them having evidence of "assignment" of the original Licences to them, they were offered new Licences by the Council, to be effective from the 1st January, 1994 and in the terms decided at Confidential Min.2 of the 7th June, 1993.

Consideration of Preservation Order Application - Drayton Copse

In reference to Paragraph 4 of the Confidential Business of the previous meeting, it was agreed that discussion of this matter be deferred until Dr. [Name] was present.



CHAIRMAN

PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on Monday, 1st
November, 1993, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 7.45pm.

Present: Councillors Mr. Bax, (Chairman); Mrs. Bell, Mr. Caudle, Mr.
Lewis, Mr. Pardey, Mr. Stimpson and Mr. Thomas.
Members of the Public, (Mr. Beames and Mr. Tucknott), attended. The
Police Officer, Mr. Langford, paid a brief visit to the Meeting.

Public Participation

Garden Rubbish Dumped on Bridleway, off Lock-Way
Mrs. Beames, of Lock-Way complained to the Council that garden refuse was
dumped on the Bridleway, accessed from Lock-Way by Drayton Hall.
The Chairman said that he would arrange comment in the Drayton Chronicle
regarding this improper behaviour with the request that it cease.

Bad Surface Conditions, Lock-Way and Adjoining Bridle-Way (No.2)
Mrs. Beames and Mr. Tucknott, both resident in Lock-Way, complained to the
Council about the poor surface condition of Lock-Way, some damage
recently being caused by the extensive use of the Road by Agricultural
Machinery, in order to access adjoining Bridle-Ways. A particularly bad
area was where Lock-Way was crossed by use of the Bridleway (No.2)
leading by the Drayton Caravan Premises, on the Abingdon Steventon Road
The Bridleway at the main road end itself was badly churned up by
Machinery use.
The Council agreed that the Clerk would refer the condition of Lock-Way and
Bridle-Way No.2 and the possible cause, for the consideration of the County
Council Area Engineer.

Overgrown Shrubbery, at The Green
Mr. Tucknott reported to the Council that overgrown shrubbery from the home
of Mr. Burt, at The Green, was intruding upon and reducing the width of the
footpath. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to Mr. Burt.

Police Matters

The Police Officer, Mr. Langford, informed the Council that there were
no particular local matters to bring to its attention at present.
He informed Mr. Langford that house boundary hedges in Hilliat
were being damaged, during evening times, by young persons throwing
heavy weight on to the hedges. Mr. Langford said that he would watch
for this behaviour.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Barlow, Mrs. Mole and County
Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 4th October, 1993, were
read and signed by the Chairman. /2...

Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Drayton Hall and Car Park - Para 3(a)

Chairman and Clerk reported on communications received by them, respectively, from Mr. Fleming, Chairman of the Hall and Recreation Ground Committee. These indicated that the Committee would meet on the 8th of November next and be requested to endorse a recommendation that the Parish Council continue its supervisory responsibility for the Play Area and Recreation Field and that the Council be also asked for a £600 Grant toward the maintenance costs of the Car Park.

In view of the probability that the Council would be requested to continue its supervisory responsibility for the Play Area and Recreation Ground, the Chairman informed Mr. Fleming that the Council would be prepared to consider a recommendation from his Committee for grant assistance for the Car Park but this would have to be related to formal acknowledgement of the Committee's present responsibility for the Car Park. Also, to assist the Council's administrative process and "Book-keeping" for Government Audit purposes, a recommendation would be required of the Committee's projected and indeed presently committed expenditure on the Car Park.

"Rights of Way"

(i) Drayton to Marcham - Para. 3(b)(i)

The Council noted that in the absence of Dr. Bell it could not consider the matter in its present position on this matter.

(ii) Binning Close to East-Way Footpath - Para. 9

The Council noted a report by the Clerk that enquiries had failed to establish the present existence of Messrs. Field Wright, the Development Company which had created Binning Close and, thereby, ascertain the Company's attitude to ownership of the Footpath land. Further that, Messrs. Field & Son, Solicitors, had now to consider whether it would be appropriate to submit to the Land Registry Office a statement from a Mr. James, a former Agent of Mr. Carpenter, the original owner of the Binning Close land, expressing his view that Mr. Carpenter retained ownership of the Footpath area.

(iii) "Village Caretaker" Contractor - Para. 3(c)

It was reported upon 10 hours litter clearance work which had been undertaken by Mr. R. Green during October. It was suggested that Mr. Green be again employed for 10 hours litter clearing work in November.

(iv) Dog Fouling Bye-Law Signs, Lyford Close - Para. 3(d)

The Council noted that Mr. Stoner, the District Council's Housing Warden, had not yet contacted Mr. Caudle regarding siting of the Signs.

(v) Building Development, Haywards Road - Para. 11(b)

The Council noted a report by the Clerk that response had been received from the District Council Planning Department indicating that it had received notice of the construction of a "Summer House" and this was considered to be "Permitted Development", within the terms of the Government's General Development Order.

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(f) Cycle Track Need B4017 Drayton/Abingdon Road - Para.11(d)
Council noted a report by the Clerk that response had been received from the County Council Road Safety Group Manager, acknowledging the advantage of a Cycle Track and that arrangements would be made for the assessment of this, for consideration within a future works programme in relation to the funds available.

Applications Made to the Vale of White Horse District Council for Permission to Carry Out Development:

The Council had before it the following Applications to Confirm the Planning Committee's Action in respect of District Council Consultation:

	<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
13397	Rear extension, 5, Greenacres.	Approval
4827/7	Demolish Farm Buildings, alter access from Highway; erect 9 Detached Houses, Sutton Wick Farm, Abingdon Road.	Application be considered by full Parish Council.

Resolved in respect of
A/13397 to confirm the Planning Committee's action.
A/4827/7 to Recommend Refusal of the Application, it being opposed on grounds of

(i) absence of inclusion of a substantially constructed and designated "public right of way" between Abingdon Road and Sutton Wick Lane, (the availability of which has been represented on the occasion of previous applications and was indeed accepted by the Appeal Inspector in regard to application DRA/4827/6X).

(ii) the inadequacy of proposed access facilities, in relation to the traffic which will be generated from the Site and the existing public highway uses of Abingdon Road and Sutton Wick Lane. In respect of the any enhancement of the driveway by the Duck Pond could be detrimental to local amenities. Generally, one access road would be more suitable and this should be constructed with traffic management consideration of the principal road in mind, e.g. some form of roundabout junction with Abingdon Road.

Proposed Thames Water Reservoir

Mr. Caudle and Mr. Edwards reported on a meeting held by G.A.R.D. (Group for Reservoir Development) on the 21st October, 1993. Of principal interest to G.A.R.D. at present was Thames Water's failure, to date, to provide evidence of the necessity for the Reservoir and the Group was making representation to OFFWAT about Thames Water's need to justify the project on financial grounds. On general aspects, Thames Water had provided for Schools a study pack, relating to the proposed Reservoir and G.A.R.D. was planning to counter this with material of its own. G.A.R.D. was also hoping to interest the B.B.C. "Country File" Programme in the connection to the Reservoir; it was planning a drive for Membership recruitment and would publish articles in local and community papers about its activities on the Reservoir, and follow this, as much as possible, by "door-to-door" visits. Mr. Caudle was examining how the latter could be achieved at Drayton. It was not suggested to be a Parish Council exercise

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at Councillors taking part would be welcomed. G.A.R.D.'s next meeting would be at Steventon on the 18th November, 1993. Resolved to thank Messrs. Caudle and Edwards for their attendance at and report on G.A.R.D.'s meeting.

Financial Matters:

(a) The Council had the following Accounts before it for Approval for payment:

	£
Green - Litter Clearance, October/Trimming Bur.Grd. Hedge	197.36
Poppy-Cat Services - Agenda Printing	8.23
Clerk - Salary (£177.94) & Expenses (£29.16) November	207.10
R. R. Green - "Village Caretaker" Work - October	40.00

Resolved that payment of the Accounts be approved.

(b) Donations/Subscriptions

Resolved that, as provided for within its 1993/94 Budget, the Council;
1) Donate £25 to the Royal British Legion for its 1993 Poppy Day Appeal.
2) Pay £10 Subscription to the Oxfordshire Rural Community Council for 1993/94.

(c) Budget/Precept Considerations 1994/5

Resolved that the Finance Committee meet at 7.30p.m., Monday, 13th December, 1993, to formulate recommendations to the Council on its Budget and Precept for 1994/95. Further, that Councillors be invited to report at the 6th December meeting any Budget proposals they wish considered.

(d) Clerk's Salary

The Clerk reported that notice, (copy supplied to the Chairman) had been received from the Association of Local Councils on the Recommendations it had agreed with the Society of Local Council Clerks in respect of Salary Payment to Clerks effective from the 1st July, 1993. Under the previous year's agreement Clerks salaries had changed from the 1st April, 1993 to £1.23 per Elector for the Parish, (rather than per Community Charge Payer which applied to the 31st March) and it was recommended that the per Elector payment be increased to £1.25 from the 1st July, 1993. The Clerk added that the Salary Recommendations also included for the first time recognition of Examination Qualification and related this to a Course offered for Clerks by the Cheltenham and Gloucester College of Further Education, with incremental payment being related to level of achievement. He pointed out that following examination success he held the professional qualification of Membership, at the highest level as Fellow, of the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators, (Certificate produced) and on this basis, and his maturity of experience in public and local government service he requested salary increment, at the highest rate, of the supplement now recommended for qualification success. Resolved that the Clerk's application in relation to the Salary Recommendations be deferred until the conclusion of the meeting and then considered as a matter of Confidential Business, following exclusion of the public, because of the special and personal nature of the subject.

Provision of Christmas Tree for Tower of St. Peter's Church

Stimpson reported that to the disappointment of members of the community the Church Tower had not in 1992 been decorated with a Christmas tree. He advised that Mr. Stimpson consult with the Church Warden on the possibility of a tree being erected on the Tower at Christmas 1993, to enable the Council to make grant assistance if appropriate.

Play/Recreational Area Matters

Council noted a report from Mrs. Bell, on behalf of Mrs. Mole, Chairman of the Recreation Committee, that she hoped to report to the Council shortly on precise proposals for Play Area expenditure, in relation to the offer offered by the District Council, in support of Drayton Recreation Group. (See Min.7 of 2/8/93).

Allotment Gardens Management:

(a) Plot Care;

Council noted, with reference to Min.8(a) of the previous meeting, that Plotholders had not yet acted on the matters referred for their attention.

(b) Quotation for Attention to Entry Path Overgrowth

With reference to Min.8(b) of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported that Green had submitted a quotation of £38-£43 for attention to the Entry Path as per the revised work need. He advised that Mr. Green's quotation be accepted.

Communications Received - The Clerk reported details of items received, as follow:

(a) Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils Circular 5/95

(b) Traffic Calming Measures - Letter from County Engineer, (with reference to Min.13(b) of the 6th September, 1993), which questioned the necessity of "rumble strips" at commencement of speed limit areas at Drayton, but promised examination generally of possible traffic calming measures when funds permitted.

(c) Review of Subsidised Bus Services - Letter from County Council Transport Section reporting, (with reference to Min.11(f) of the 7th June, 1993), arrangements made for continuing the existing level of services.

(d) Vale of White Horse District Council "Local Plan" - Details of presentation on 25th November, 1993 of the Draft Plan and subsequent objections in relation to it.

(e) Hackney Carriages - Copy of Vale of White Horse District Council Local Bye-Laws.

He advised to note the communications received and in respect of (d), the Chairman, Mr. Caudle and the Clerk would, if possible attend the District Council's formal presentation of the Draft Plan, on the 25th November next.

Irregular Attendance of Councillors at Meetings

Chairman spoke of his disappointment at the irregularity (Cont.6/...)

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attendance of some Councillors at meetings.
resolved that the Clerk publish at the Council's Annual Meeting a record of
Councillors' attendance during the preceding Year.

Matters Raised By Councillors

(a) Water Pipe Leakage, High Street

Caudle reported that there had been leakage for some weeks from a pipe
located near to a Thames Water Pumping Station, in Messrs. Poulton's Yard
High Street. Water Company officials had inspected the leak but not
repaired it.

resolved that the Clerk communicate to the Water Company the Council's
concern about water supply waste through lack of attention to repair needs.

(b) Obstruction of Footpath, The Green

Caudle reported a complaint received by him from Ms. Knight of 4, The
Green about obstruction of the roadside footway outside of her house by a
neighbour's vehicle.

resolved that the Clerk inform Ms. Knight that only the Police could take
action on this problem but as a neighbour was involved it was a matter for
her judgement as to whether she firstly spoke to the person.

(c) Dalton Barracks, Abingdon

Stimpson reported that he understood the Military Authorities had
regular liaison meetings with local Councils, to avoid public conflict over
activities at the Barracks and adjoining Airfield. As the Drayton Parish
had been affected by past incidents stemming from the Airfield it seemed
appropriate for the Council to be involved in the liaison meetings.

resolved that the Clerk take the matter up with Lt. Col. Thompson, the
Barracks Staff Officer.

(d) Lighting Fault, Lamp No.2, Lyford Close

was agreed that the Clerk refer to the County Council a report by Mr.
Stimpson about this lamp failure.

Next Meeting

resolved to confirm the Council's next meeting be on Mon., 6th Dec., 1993.

Confidential Business

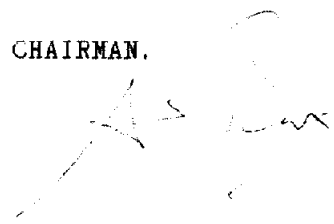
resolved to exclude the Press and Public from the remaining business
because of the special and private nature of the matters for discussion.

Clerk's Salary

This matter was considered, following on from Min.8(d) previous and it was
resolved unanimously that the Clerk be paid the Salary Recommended for
Full-time Clerks supplemented by 16% for professional qualification and
experience, effective from the 1st July, 1993. Further that this decision be
included on public record.

Other Confidential Business discussed was retained on Restricted Record).

CHAIRMAN.



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DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Monday, 1st November, 1993

Minutes of Confidential Business Considered

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

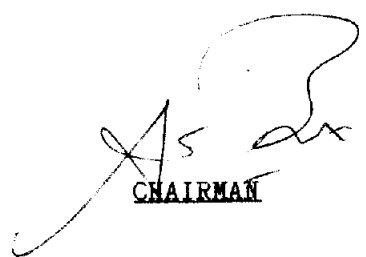
Minutes of the Confidential Business at the Council's meeting on the 28th October, 1993, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Allotment Gardens off Church Lane - Licences Held by Householders in Church Lane for use of Part of the Allotments Access Land

In reference to Paragraph 2 of the Confidential Minutes of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported that he had written to the Owners of Nos. 28 and 30, Church Lane informing them of the Council decision. Neither had responded to date. The Chairman asked to note the position.

Consideration of Preservation Order Application - Drayton Copse

The Chairman decided, with reference to Paragraph 3 of the Confidential Minutes of the previous meeting, not to consider this matter further unless again proposed for inclusion on an Agenda for discussion by the Council.


CHAIRMAN

PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

The Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on Monday, 6th December, 1993, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 7.45pm.

Present: Councillors Mr. Bax, (Chairman); Mrs. Barlow, Mrs. Bell, Dr. Bell, Mr. Caudle, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Pardey, Mr. Stimpson and Mr. Thomas.
County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie and two Members of the Public (Mr. Tucknott and Mr. Rudell) also attended.

Public Participation

(a) Dog Fouling of Footways

Mr. Tucknott of Lock-Way spoke to the Council on the nuisance of Dog owners allowing their animals to foul roadside footways in Lock-Way.
The Chairman explained to Mr. Tucknott the necessity of his giving evidence with corroborative support if wishing offending owners to be prosecuted.
The Clerk said that the District Council was re-issuing "sticker notices" on the illegality of dog fouling and he would obtain some for Mr. Tucknott to post in Lock-Way if he wished.

(b) Enquiry on Development Application

Mr. Rudell, of 53, Steventon Road, enquired for information about a development application (see Para. 4(a) following) in respect of 51, Steventon Road. Having been shown the relevant plans Mr. Rudell said that he did not wish to make representation to the Council on the Application.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 1st November, 1993, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

(a) Surface Condition, Lock-Way and Bridle-Way No.2 - Para.1(b)

The Council noted a report by the Clerk that the County Area Engineer had responded promising maintenance attention to Lock-Way. Further, that with regard to the condition of the Bridle-Way, the Engineer had passed on to the County's Leisure and Arts Department the details of the Parish Council's representation.

(b) Drayton Hall and Car Park - Para.5(a)(ii)

The Chairman and Clerk reported that they had not to date received communication from the Management Committee Chairman (Mr. Fleming) in response to the decision of the Council.
Mr. Pardey, the Council's Representative on the Management Committee, reported that the Committee had now accepted its responsibility for management of the Car Park and had arranged regular collection of litter there. He believed that further consideration was being given to the matter of application to the Council for assistance with this cost.
The Council resolved to note the current position.

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(c) "Rights of Way"

(i) Drayton to Marcham - Para.5(b)(i)

Council noted a report by Dr. Bell that agreement had been reached for Sandwell, as Landowner over which the Bridle-Ways passed, to apply, for District Council's process, for Diversion Orders to record the "rights of way" over the routes now actually used.

(ii) Binning Close to East-Way Footpath - Para.5(b)(ii)

Clerk reported that he had had a meeting with Mr. Buchanan of Morland & Co., Solicitors, Abingdon, who had recommended application to the Land Registry Office for copy of the deed for transfer of the Binning Close land to Field Wright Development Company, in order to ascertain whether this deed had any information which assisted the Company's acceptance of application by the late Mr. Carpenter of "right of way" from Binning Close to East-Way. This Enquiry would incur fee payment of £16 to the Land Registry Office and Mr. Buchanan had indicated that, in the circumstances, Morland & Co. were not likely to require further legal fee payments from the Council.

It was agreed to confirm the Land Registry enquiry to be undertaken by Morland & Co.

D Christmas Tree, Church Tower - Para.9

Hampson reported that he had spoken to representatives of the Parochial Church Council about the possibility of a Christmas Tree again being installed on the Church Tower and had received the response that the Council Authority was not enthusiastic about the arrangement because of difficulty in securely installing a tree and the consequent damage which it would have caused to the Tower.

It was agreed to note the position with a view to making further representation to the Parochial Church Council in the New Year, if it is then appropriate to seek any further expression of public feeling on the subject.

Water Pipe Leakage, High Street - Para.14(a)

Council noted a report by Mr. Caudle on response that Thames Water had agreed to the leakage.

Applications for Permission to Carry Out Development:

The Council had before it the following Applications to Confirm the Planning Committee's Action in respect of District and County Council Applications:

<u>(i) District Council Consultation</u>	<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
15/2	Improvement of Existing Access, former Brook Farm House, Milton Road.	Approval
16/36	Rear Extensions, Ground and First floors, 26, Binning Close.	-do-
16/49	Single Storey Extension, 51, Steventon Rd.	-do-
17/35/	Demolish Garage, erect two Storey Side Extension, 9, Gravel Lane.	Refusal ("out of keeping" with exstg.bldg.)
17/35/	Demolish Garage, 9, Gravel Lane.	No Objection

It was agreed to confirm the Planning Committee's Action.

(a) Cont/..

(ii) County Council Consultation

	<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
4	Six Years Extension of Time Limit on	No Objection
1.4	Skip Storage Area, J.C. Waste, Sutton Wick.	
4	Infill of Land with Commercial and	-do-
1.5	Industrial Waste, J.C. Waste, Oday Hill, S.Wick.	

Clerk reported that two further Applications had now been received from County Council, in respect of Applications by J.C. Waste in relation to operations at Sutton Wick. These were:

	<u>Proposed Development</u>
4	Extension of Time Limit until 31st December, 1999 of existing
1.3	Infill operations at Peep-O-Day Lane, Sutton Wick.
4	Location of "Site Office" and Tractor Shed at Peep-O-Day
1.4	Lane working site.

Resolved to confirm the Planning Committee's action in respect of the first J.C. Waste Applications and that similar response be made to the County Council on the subsequent two Applications, subject to any permission for siting of works buildings being specific to that style of building only and conditional upon removal of the buildings immediately work is completed.

(b) The Council had before it the following Planning Decision taken by District Council

	<u>Prop. Dvlpmt.</u>	<u>Par. Co. Rcmndtn.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
13397	Rear Extn., 5, Greenacres.	Approval	Permit

(c) Parish Council Representations to the District Council on Development Applications

Clerk reported details of a communication received from the District Council, which detailed the arrangements now made by the latter to give explanation of the reason for planning decisions, when they differed from Parish Council recommendations; also, re-stated the representation processes available to Parish Councils and forwarded a "Guide for Councillors" on Development Control.

Resolved to note the communication and that the "Guide for Councillors" publication be circulated for information of Planning Committee members.

Wale of White Horse District Council "District Wide" Draft Local Plan

In reference to Min.12(d) of the previous meeting, Mr. Caudle and the Clerk reported on their attendance at the District Council's "launch" of the Draft Plan and the process arranged for extensive consultation on its contents. The Parish Council had been supplied with two copies of the Plan, which consolidated all previous plans applicable to the District Council's area of responsibility.

Resolved that the Draft Plan would be made available for scrutiny by all members of the Council in order to allow consideration at the Council's February meeting of any comments, which had to be made to the District Council by the 7th March, 1994.

Proposed New Thames Water Reservoir

Further to Min.7 of the previous meeting, this matter (Cont/.....4/...)

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discussed by the Council in the light of Thames Water's public announcement on the 15th November, 1993, that it now intended to defer for at least five years any planning application for development of a Reservoir west of Abingdon.

Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie and Mr. Caudle informed the meeting of considerations which had still been undertaken by G.A.R.D. toward objection to the proposed Reservoir and its concern now to act to bring an end to the "blight" on local property values, which would follow the uncertainty created by the Thames Water announcement. He moved to note the current position.

"Village Caretaker" Employment

In reference to Min.8 of the 6th September, 1993, accepting the offer of Mr. Green of 2A, Manor Close to undertake "Village Caretaker" duties, the Council considered the position at the conclusion of three months work with Mr. Green.

He moved to continue with Mr. Green's services, under the liaison arrangements of Councillor Thomas, the maximum monthly commitment by the Council, on the present work available for Mr. Green, being 10 hours work a calendar month at £4 an hour.

Financial Matters:

(a) The Council had the following Accounts before it for Approval for payment:

	£
Woods and Jarvis - Resurface Burial Ground Footpath	1533.37
Abingdon Amenities Chronicle Fund - Postal Subscription	4.50
Woods - Litter Clearance, November	18.36
Green - Village Caretaker work, November	40.00
Woods - Cat Services - Agenda Printing	13.16
Woods of White Horse District Council - Photocopying June-Nov. '93	15.65
Woods - Salary (£212.42) & Expenses (£29.16) December; Salary Arrears to 30 November (£179.18)	420.76

He moved that payment of the Accounts be approved.

(b) Budget/Precept 1993/94

In Min.8(c) of the previous meeting, there were not any proposals made for consideration by the Finance Committee.

Play/Recreational Area Matters

In ref. to Min.10 of the previous meeting and the absence of Mrs. Mole at this meeting, it was agreed that the Clerk would contact Mrs. Mole requesting early information on Play Area proposals if the Grant offered by the District Council was to be utilised within the financial year.

Allotment Gardens Management:

The Council noted a report by the Clerk, with reference to Min.8(a) of the 10th October, 1993, that the glass structure had now been removed but the overgrown plot had not yet been attended to.

Communications Received - The Clerk reported details of items received, as follow:

- (a) Naming and Numbering of Small Developments - letter received from the District Council Chief Engineer on naming of "The Conifers", 86, Hitehorns Way and "New Cottage", 11, Halls Close.
- (b) Removal of Unauthorised Signs from Highway - (Ref.Min.3(c) of 10/93), letter from County Engineer explaining precise terms of the Parish Council's delegated responsibility.
- (c) Street Lighting Faults - Letter from County Engineer's Department giving details of its Freephone reporting service available to the Public.
- (d) Relocation of Hospital Services Presently Available at Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford - Letter from Community Health Council on consultation on Area Health Authority proposals to close Radcliffe Infirmary.
- (e) "Whats on in Vale" - Letter from District Council offering terms for use of its proposed new publication.
- (f) Dog Fouling Byelaws - Letter from District Council Environmental Health Department on availability of "stick on" notices publicising the byelaws.

Resolved to note the communications received and that the Clerk would retain copies of the Dog Fouling Bye-Law notices for use locally.

Matters Raised By Councillors

- (a) Public Notice Board, Steventon Road
Stimpson spoke of the need for a notice board in the vicinity of the Doctor's Surgery in Steventon Road. It was agreed that this would be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting for consideration of quotation and invitation.
- (b) Trip Hazard of Prominent Inspection Chamber Lid
It was agreed that the Clerk would notify the County Area Engineer of a report by Dr. Bell of the existence of this hazard, in the footway at the junction of Abingdon Road and Henleys Lane.
- (c) Dog Fouling, Abingdon Road
Edwards reported the desirability of the Bye-Law notices (Min.11(f) previous) being used in Abingdon Road.
- (d) Discarded "Telegraph Poles"
It was agreed that the Clerk refer to the County Area Engineer a report by Thomas about the presence of a number of poles on the roadside verge in Henleys Lane.

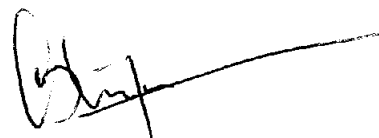
Meetings, 1994

Resolved to confirm that the Council's meetings in 1994 would commence at 7.30p.m. (rather than 7.45p.m. as present) and would be on Mondays; 4th January; 7th February; 7th March; 11th April; 9th May; 6th June; 3rd July; 1st August; 5th September; 3rd October; 7th November and 5th December.
The 9th May meeting would be preceded by the Annual Parish Assembly.

Confidential Business

Resolved to exclude the Press and Public from the remaining business because of the special and private nature of the matters for discussion.

CHAIRMAN



CONFIDENTIAL

DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Monday, 6th December, 1993

Minutes of Confidential Business Considered

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the Confidential Business at the Council's meeting on the 2 November, 1993, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Allotment Gardens off Church Lane - Licences Held by Householders in Church Lane for use of Part of the Allotments Access Land

In reference to Paragraph 2 of the Confidential Minutes of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported that he had still not received response from the occupants of either Nos. 28 or 30, Church Lane. He reported details of a new Licence he had drafted for agreement with those Occupants for their use of the Council's allotment land to access their properties and said he thought that the National Association of Local Councils would be prepared to edit, without charge, the suitability of the construction of the Licence.

The Council resolved to agree the proposed Licence terms and the Clerk seek the advice of the National Association of Local Councils in approving their own suitability.

Consideration of Preservation Order Application - Drayton Copse

In reference to Paragraph 3 of the Confidential Minutes of the previous meeting, Dr. Bell raised the matter of consideration of a Preservation Order Application.

The Clerk reported details given by the District Council on the criteria which would be applicable for a valid Application.

The Council resolved not to consider the matter further.

CHAIRMAN

