

PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on
Monday, 10th January, 1994, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at
3.30p. m. .

Present: Councillors Mr. Stimpson (Vice-Chairman - in "the
Chair"); Mrs. Barlow, Mrs. Bell, Mr. Caudle, Mr. Edwards, Mr.
Harris, Mrs. Mole and Mr. Thomas.
Member of the Public (Mr. Spencer of Sutton Wick Lane)
attended.

Public Participation

(a) Parish Council Allotments

Spencer requested information on the current situation
with regard to overgrowth clearance/levelling of the Pathway
at Church Lane to the Allotment Gardens. Also, whether the
Council had arranged attention to unlet and overgrown plots.
Clerk explained that the Council had issued an order to a
contractor to deal with the Pathway and Mr. Caudle (Chairman
of the Council's General Purposes Committee) said that he was
considering how action could best be arranged to deal with
the overgrown plots.

(b) Vehicle Speeds, Abingdon Road, Junction with Sutton
Wick Lane

Spencer asked whether the Council could make
representation for the 30mph speed limit signs on the Abingdon
Road to be moved to a location some distance beyond the
junction side of the the Sutton Wick Lane Junction, because of
the speed of vehicles using the Abingdon Road and the
dangerous conditions thereby created for vehicles driven from
the junction. The Chairman explained that the Parish Council had
previously sought movement of the restricted speed limit
signs, as suggested and this had been refused by the County
Council. Always mindful of the problem raised, the Parish
Council took every opportunity possible to bring to the
attention of the Police, Highway and Planning Authorities the
need to consider action which would improve control of vehicle
speeds on the Abingdon Road.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from the Chairman (Mr.
Mr. Pardey and County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

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

Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

(a) Drayton Hall and Car Park - Para. 3(b)

Council noted a report by the Clerk that he had now received a letter from Mr. Fleming, Chairman of the Hall Committee, stating that his Committee would be considering at a meeting on the 10th January, 1994, the Parish Council's decision with regard to assistance on Hall/Recreation Ground maintenance matters, (Para. 5 of the Minutes of the Council meeting on the 1st November, 1993 refers to the Council's last communication to the Hall Committee on this subject).

(b) Christmas Tree, Church Tower - Para. 3(d)

Simpson reported that there appeared to have been a considerable local disappointment about there not being a tree in the Tower for the recent Christmas period and he understood that the Parochial Church Council would be considering the position for Christmas 1994. He stated that the principal Church Warden, Mrs. Barton, believed that, on behalf of the local community, the Parish Council would like the previous arrangement for a Christmas tree in the Tower to be re-introduced and the Council was asked to consider a grant toward the cost of this.

(c) Proposed Thames Water Reservoir - Para. 6

Windle and Mr. Edwards reported on a meeting held by the Group during December last. The Group had then decided, in response to Thames Water's decision to delay action toward the reservoir development, to reduce its meetings to three a year for the purposes of keeping the situation under review. At present, G.A.R.D. would endeavour to obtain legal advice on whether action could be taken against Thames Water in respect of those whose property values had suffered as a result of Thames Water's originally published proposals. The Clerk was asked to note the position.

(d) Highway Matters - Para. 12(b) and (d)

Council noted a report by the Clerk that the County Area Council had replied stating that attention would be given to the highway trip hazard and British Telecom was being asked to remove the discarded poles.

(e) Condition of Bridleway No. 2 - Para. 3(a)

Council noted a report by the Clerk that the County Council's Fieldpaths Officer (County Leisure and Arts) had responded that the condition of the Bridleway was kept under review but action could not be taken about its maintenance whilst the "right of way" was still in a state which permitted its use by horses, walkers and cyclists, which was the present situation.

Applications for Permission to Carry Out Development:

Applications Received for Consultation and Considered
Parish Council's Planning Committee;

<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
3/ Erection of 2 Agricultural dwlgs., Manor Farm land.	No Objection
3/ First floor extension, 39, Whitehorns Way, (Amended Prpsl.).	Approval

to confirm the Planning Committee's action.

Planning Decision Notices Received from the District

<u>Prop. Development</u>	<u>Par. Co. Rcmndtn.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
2 Improved access, Brook Farm House, Milton Road.	Approval	Permit
6 Rear ground & first floor extensions, 26, Binning Close.	Approval	-do-
Demolish rear bldgs., erect 2 storey extn., 55, Abingdon Road.	Refusal	Appln. Withdrawn
Single storey extn., 51, Steventon Road.	Approval	Permit
First floor extn., 39, Whitehorns Way.	-do-	-do-

to note the Decisions of the Local Planning

Special Matters:

Budget and Precept 1994/95;

all received the report and related financial
(previously circulated and copies appended to this
record) of the meeting of the Finance Committee,
13th December, 1993.

in respect of the Financial Year 1994/95, to adopt
recommendations of the Committee's report at

Para. 4(a) in respect of Expenditure and Budget
cuts.

Para. 4(b), for Precept of £11,000.

Accounts Received for Approval for Payment;

	<u>£</u>
Services - Play Areas Inspection	13.00
- Litter Clearance Dec.	18.36
Services - Agenda and Form Printing	77.56
Room - Room Use, Oct-Dec., 1993	30.00
Salary (£212.42) & Expenses (£29.16) January, (£21.68) & Tel. Calls (£13.65) Sept-Nov. 1993	276.91
Village Caretaker duties, December	60.00

reference to the R. Green Account, Mr. Thomas reported
the extent of litter in the Parish during the

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Christmas Holiday period, he had arranged for Mr. Green to do additional five hours work. In relation to the Drayton Account the Clerk said that it included £6, for use of Hall for the 1993 Village Carol Concert. Mr. Stimpson had said that, as the Annual Concert was a community matter, Parish Council pay the Hall hire charge. Moved to confirm the action taken by Mr. Thomas for Mr. Stimpson's work; also, to adopt Mr. Stimpson's proposal on the Hall hire charge and the Accounts be approved for payment.

(c) Payments of Grants/Donations to Other Bodies

The Clerk referred to the Council's Budget provision for 1994, of which £175 remained. Also, grant requests, mentioned at Para.4 of the Finance Committee Report. Further he considered subsequent applications from the Abingdon and District Volunteer Centre and the newly formed Drayton Group P.A.S. (Provision of After-School Weekly Support).

Moved (i) to make the following Grants,

	£
Abingdon and District Citizens Advice Bureau	60.00
Abingdon and District Volunteer Centre	70.00
Oxfordshire Playing Field Association	30.00

(ii) that the P.A.W.S. Group be informed that the Council would consider its Grant request in the Financial Year commencing April next and in the light of what information the Group was then able to give about its financial situation, following its first school term period of operation.

(d) Purchase of Additional Public Notice Board

Moved, reference Min. 12(a) of the previous meeting, That Mr. H.W. Poulton, who supplied the Notice Board on the previous meeting, be invited to quote similar for Steventon Road.

Play/Recreation Matters

(e) Refurbishment Works at Lock-Way and Lyford Close Play Area

In reference to £10,000 Grant made by the Vale of White Horse District Council to the Drayton Recreation Action Group (D.R.A.G) for expenditure in this Financial Year, Mrs. Mole presented the Group's expenditure proposals. Firstly, purchase of equipment for Wicksteed Leisure of two new replacement items of play equipment for installation in Lock-Way; also related details and quotations sought from Charles Lawrence and Company for installation of safe play surfaces for the new equipment and from M.R.H. Services for ground preparation work, erection of new equipment and installation of new fencing on the Car boundary of the Play Area. In addition, Mrs. Mole presented a proposal for M.R.H. Services to install an item of play equipment, earlier purchased by D.R.A.G., in the Lyford Close Play Area, together with erection there of slide parts previously removed from Lock-Way. (Cont/...../5....)

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and that, subject to the proposals being completed in financial Year, to have the benefit of payment by the District Council's Grant, the Council would accept ongoing care and maintenance responsibility for the new installations in the Play Areas. Further, the Parish Council assist the Grant expenditure process by liaising with District Council on the matter of payment of accounts to from its Grant.

Inspection of Play Areas

Clerk reported details of M.R.H. Services latest Service inspection of the Play Areas. Faults found were a trip hazard Slide and Swing Seats cut but still serviceable, at by. Clerk noted to note the report and that the trip hazard be addressed in the course of the new equipment ground works at by.

Allotment Gardens Management

Clerk referred to Para.3 of the Minutes (copy appended to Minutes in Minute Book record) of the meeting of the Finance Committee on the 13th December, 1993, which appended, for comparison purposes, details being obtained of allotment rents in adjoining Parish areas. Clerk agreed to adopt the Finance Committee recommendation and the Clerk endeavour to obtain comparison details to allow for consideration at the Council's March meeting, prior to issue of the next annual rent notice to Allotment tenants.

Communications Received

Clerk reported details of items received, as follow:

- (a) Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils Circular 6/93 - Available Items relating to the Local Government Commission Review of Local Government in Oxfordshire; the Home Office discussions on consideration of "Parish Constable" Schemes and National Association of Local Councils Centenary "Draw".
 - (b) County Council Presentation on Local Government Review - Parish Council Chairman and Clerk invited to this and Buffet Dinner at Kennington on the 17th January, 1994.
 - (c) Council for Protection of Rural England Meeting on Government Review - Parish Council Representatives invited to attend, at Wallingford on 1st February, 1994.
 - (d) Work Proposed to be Undertaken on Trees in Conservation - Letter from District Council detailing work scheduled to be undertaken at 35, Henleys Lane.
- Clerk noted to note the communications received and in respect of (a) to support the "Centenary Draw" if possible. (b) to agree that the Chairman (or Vice-Chairman in lieu) Clerk attend the 17th January Presentation.

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(d) to raise no objection to the proposed tree works.

Matters Raised by Councillors:

(a) Breach of Planning Condition

Caudle reported that a Barn, situated at Brook Farm, on Road, which was to have been demolished, by Condition Development Approval for the Site, was still standing. Resolved that the Clerk take the matter up with the District Council Planning Department.

(b) Highway Verge Damage, Village Green, High Street

Stimpson referred to damage caused to the Village Green, currently by large vehicles accessing Messrs. Webbs business premises at 8, High Street. Resolved that the Clerk take the matter up with the County Council Area Engineer.

Next Meeting

Resolved to confirm that the Council's next meeting be on the February, 1994.

Confidential Business

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



CHAIRMAN

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PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance Committee held on Monday, 13th
December, 1993, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 7.45p.m..

Present: Councillors Mr. Stimpson (Chairman), Mr. Caudle, Mr. Lewis and
Mrs. ...

Apology for Absence

Apology for absence was received from the Chairman of the Council, Mr. ...

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the Committee's previous meeting, held on the 14th December,
1993, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Matter Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting - Allotment
Income - Para.4(a)

The Committee discussed the desirability of keeping rents under review and
to Recommend to the Council that the Clerk obtain, for comparison,
of allotment rents charged by other Local Councils in the area to
the Council opportunity at its February meeting to decide whether
allotment holders should, on payment of rent for the Year 1994/95, be given
of increased rent for the following Year, 1995/96.

Parish Council's Budget and Precept 1994/95

The Clerk submitted a statement, previously circulated, detailing the
Council's Expenditure and Balances for 1991/92 and 1992/93; its original
budget for 1993/94 and possible revision of this in the light of the
current position with regard to expenditure. In addition he reported
on a number of communications in respect of Subscription Membership, received

- from the Keep Britain Tidy Group and
- P.I.S.E. (Sane Planning in the South East);
- in respect of Donation support requests from
- Kingdon Citizens Advice Bureau
- Northamptonshire Playing Fields Association
- Committee of White Horse District Council Neighbourhood Watch
- Eliminator Scheme
- Northampton and District Victim Support Group
- Northampton Council for Protection of Rural England Campaign against Excessive
- Extraction of Earth Minerals.

In discussion of the information before it the Committee
decided to Recommend to the Council that its
Budgeted Expenditure for 1994/95 be as shown on the Appended
Financial Statement, it being noted that this provides for
(i) Subscription for only one Local Councils Journal (the Clerk to
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peruse this for any necessary information to the Council);

(11) the sum available for donation to local organisations increased to £250, (with allocation from this sum being decided

the financial year, as appropriate);

(111) closure of the Burial Ground Footpath Replacement F

recommended that works recently undertaken be met from general

the accumulated Fund, to date, be used to complete, early in the

Financial Year, the outstanding areas of path requiring replac

(1v) nil application of Parish Council funds for Play Area

because of the substantial grant which the District Council has

available for use by D.R.A.G., by the end of the current financial

(v) creation of an Allotments Development Fund to assist

to undertake any necessary future improvements at the Allotment

(b) Precept for 1994/95 be £11,000 (the same as for 1993/94).

5. Other Financial Matter

The Committee noted a report by the Chairman (Mr. Stimpson) that invited the Organisers of the 1993 Drayton Christmas Carol Concert Drayton Hall, to send the Hall accommodation bill to the Parish it to consider its payment, as a donation toward the cost of a community activity.

CHAIRMAN

PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

BUDGET AND REVISED ESTIMATED

1991/92 & 1992/93 FOR INFORMATION; 1993/94

	1991/92	1992/93	1993/94	1993/94	1994/95
	ACT. EXP	ACT. EXP	BUDGET	REV. BUD	BUDGET
£	£	£			
GENERAL					
REGISTRATION					
- Salary	2018.82	2112.15	2150.00	2455.00	2550.00
As	243.41	300.00	350.00	350.00	350.00
As	88.32	133.18	140.00	100.00	100.00
Home Calls	33.00	85.60	80.00	80.00	80.00
Library/Printing	198.00	208.46	220.00	420.00	300.00
Office	72.00	84.00	100.00	80.00	80.00
Postage	208.08	187.89	220.00	209.00	280.00
Telephone Fee	217.37	235.00	250.00	241.00	250.00
Bus. Loc. Cos.	142.00	149.00	160.00	171.00	190.00
Bus. Loc. Journal	8.30	10.00	10.00	12.00	8.00
Fieldpaths Soc.	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Prot. of Rur. Eng.	-	12.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Hire Rur. Comm. Co.	-	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Sept Village Comp.	8.00	8.00	6.00	8.00	8.00
Hall Rec. Payt.	50.50	50.50	51.00	51.00	51.00
etc.	5.00	10.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Council Elections	37.00	-	-	-	-
GRANT FOR OTHER					
BODIES					
Grants - Total Provsn.			200.00	200.00	250.00
GRANTS GIVEN TO:					
Ambulance	50.00				
Big Fund	25.00	25.00			
Police Bureau	50.00	50.00			
Vol. Centre	30.00	50.00			
Playing Fields Assoc.	30.00	30.00			
PUBLIC GROUND					
Street/Litter	372.00	392.00	400.00	424.00	450.00
Street Upkeep	52.00	100.00	150.00	238.00	200.00
Water	35.72	38.42	40.00	40.00	50.00
Replacement Fund	-	500.00	500.00	500.00	-
Building	-	-	-	1534.00	1500.00
RECREATION GRDS					
Street/Litter	102.00	277.50	260.00	180.00	200.00
Maintenance	201.55	607.80	500.00	250.00	250.00
Grant	1084.41	4714.16	1000.00	4000.00	-
Close - Purchase	880.12	-	-	-	-
Forward	6244.60	10382.66	6864.00	11620.00	7224.00

Brought Forward		1991/92		1992/93		1993/94	
F. OPEN SPACES							
408.00	823.00	600.00	692.00	408.00	823.00	600.00	692.00
Amty. Imps./Bus Stops, etc	190.88	34.00	100.00	50.00	190.88	34.00	100.00
Village "Caretaker"	67.66	90.50	1000.00	600.00	67.66	90.50	1000.00
Seats/H. Boards	-	200.22	200.00	100.00	-	200.00	100.00
Var Memorial	-	-	-	80.00	-	-	80.00
F. ALLOTMENTS							
-	-	23837.86	-	-	-	-	-
Purchase	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loan repayments	-	-	2250.00	2250.00	-	-	2250.00
Maintenance	-	-	250.00	200.00	-	-	200.00
Development fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
G. RIGHTS OF WAY							
180.55	-	-	100.00	200.00	180.55	-	100.00
Maintenance	-	-	100.00	200.00	-	-	100.00
Signs, structures	-	347.57	300.00	460.00	-	-	460.00
H. FOOTWAY LIGHTING							
1456.56	2784.10	-	-	-	1456.56	2784.10	-
Energy	1456.56	-	-	-	1456.56	-	-
Maintenance	1835.91	2784.10	-	-	1835.91	2784.10	-
Reprs. replacements	322.80	-	-	-	322.80	-	-
10706.96	38499.91	11764.00	16152.00	12706.96	38499.91	11764.00	16152.00
Less Int'l Trust.	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	10706.96	37999.91	11264.00	15652.00	10706.96	37999.91	15652.00
FUND BALANCES							
OPENING BALANCES		1991/92		1992/93		1993/94	
TRUSTEE SAVINGS BANK	2997.32	4341.71	6077.79	2997.32	4341.71	6077.79	2997.32
NATIONAL SAVINGS INVESTMENT A/C	11988.08	15371.66	12232.14	11988.08	15371.66	12232.14	11988.08
INCOME :							
PRECEPT	11000.00	11000.00	11000.00	11000.00	11000.00	11000.00	11000.00
FUNDS BORROWED	-	-	17475.00	-	-	17475.00	-
ALLOTMENT RENT	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DISTRICT COUNCIL GRANTS	886.00	31.33	-	886.00	31.33	-	886.00
V.A.T. REFUND	1311.73	1182.52	656.00	1311.73	1182.52	656.00	1311.73
BANKING INTEREST	1865.76	1660.78	1100.00	1865.76	1660.78	1100.00	1865.76
CONSOLS INTEREST	1.44	1.44	1.00	1.44	1.44	1.00	1.44
BURIAL GROUND FEES	245.00	115.00	200.00	245.00	115.00	200.00	245.00
DONATIONS	-	-	275.00	-	-	275.00	-
INSUR CLAIMS/REFUND PAYMENTS	75.00	-	10.00	75.00	-	10.00	75.00
STRIMMER & SHED SOLD	-	70.00	-	-	70.00	-	-
TOTAL	30420.33	56309.84	31704.00	30420.33	56309.84	31704.00	30420.33
LESS EXPENDITURE	10706.96	37999.91	15652.00	10706.96	37999.91	15652.00	10706.96
CLOSING BALANCES	19713.37	18309.93	16052.00	19713.37	18309.93	16052.00	19713.37
TRUSTEE SAVINGS BANK	4341.71	6077.79	6077.79	4341.71	6077.79	6077.79	4341.71
NATIONAL SAVINGS INVESTMENT A/C	15371.66	12232.14	12232.14	15371.66	12232.14	12232.14	15371.66
Comprised of Capital Fund	(2587.25)	(2816.24)	(1044.25)	(2587.25)	(2816.24)	(1044.25)	(2587.25)
Burial Grd. Path Fund	(500.00)	(500.00)	(500.00)	(500.00)	(500.00)	(500.00)	(500.00)
Open Spaces Fund	(2182.16)	(2375.30)	(596.18)	(2182.16)	(2375.30)	(596.18)	(2182.16)
Var Mem. Reimbmt. Fund	(580.32)	(5400.17)	(5400.17)	(580.32)	(5400.17)	(5400.17)	(580.32)
General Surplus	(9521.93)	(9521.93)	(9521.93)	(9521.93)	(9521.93)	(9521.93)	(9521.93)

DEC. 93/RCH.

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DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Monday, 10th January, 1994

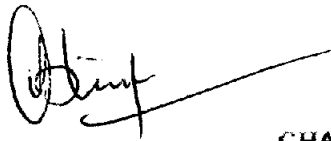
Minutes of Confidential Business Considered

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the Confidential Business considered on the 6th
ember, 1993, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Allotment Gardens off Church Lane - Use of Part of
Allotment Access Land by Adjoining Householders

With reference to Minute 2 of the Confidential Business of the
previous Meeting, the Clerk reported that proposed new Licence
forms had been submitted to the Association of Local Councils
for legal advice on their suitability. A reply was awaited.
Resolved to note the position.



CHAIRMAN

PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on
day, 7th February, 1994, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at
Op. m. .

Present: Councillors Mr. Stimpson (Vice-Chairman - in "the
Chair"); Mrs. Barlow, Mrs. Bell, Dr. Bell, Mr. Lewis, Mr.
Mole, Mrs. Mole and Mr. Thomas.
Members of the Public (Mrs. Sharps and Mr. Beames, both of
Lock-Way) attended.

Public Participation

(a) Noise Control, Drayton Hall

Mr. Beames said that as a Lock-Way Resident he welcomed the
steps taken by the Hall Management Committee to ensure that
doors of the building remained closed during events,
(except for any emergency need). This reduced considerably
the nuisance to local residents and he thanked the Parish
Council for taking the matter up with the Hall Committee.

(b) Vehicle Use of Bridle-Way No. 4 at Lock-Way to Access
Sutton Copse Clay Pigeon Shoot

Mr. Beames complained to the Council that nuisance was caused
to residents of Lock-Way by vehicle drivers using the Bridle-
Way (No. 4), at the southern end of Lock-Way to try and access
the Clay-Pigeon Shoot area.

The Council agreed that the Clerk would seek to clarify
the conditions of the Planning approval for establishment
of the Shoot prescribed access routes and would then, if
appropriate, arrange representation to the Shoot operators
regarding the use of Lock-Way.

(c) Sutton Wick Farm Development

Mrs. Sharps asked the Council if it had information on the
scope of development to be undertaken at the Sutton Wick Farm.
The Chairman told Mrs. Sharps that the Council had recently
been consulted on a Planning Application made to the District
Council which proposed erection of nine detached houses at the

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from the Chairman (Mr.
Mole, Mr. Caudle, Mr. Edwards and County Councillor Mrs.
Anzie.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 10th January,
were approved and signed by the Chairman.
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Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

(a) Drayton Hall and Car Park - Para. 4(a)

Clerk reported receipt of letter from Mr. Fleming, Chairman of the Hall Committee, stating that his Committee at meeting on the 10th January, 1994, had accepted the Parish Council's offer to continue its present "informal supervision" of the Drayton Hall and Recreation Ground Charities Party. Mr. Fleming's letter stated that his Committee now withdraw its application to the Parish Council for assistance toward Hall Car Park maintenance costs but he did not make it clear that the Committee would be exercising responsibility for maintenance of the Car Park. It was agreed that Mr. Fleming be requested to clarify his Committee's position in respect of its responsibility for the Car Park.

(b) Work on Trees in Conservation Area - Para. 9(d)

Council noted a report by the Clerk that the District Council had given approval for attention to the trees.

(c) Village Green Verge Damage - Para. 10(b)

Council noted a report by the Clerk that the County Council Area Engineer had written to Messrs. Webb to arrange discussion of the problem with a view to repair action.

(d) Grant Application by PAWS (Provision of After School Support) - Para. 6(c)

Clerk reported a communication received from PAWS seeking Parish Council's support for the Group obtaining a Grant from the Vale of White Horse District Council, which had stated it could only consider an Application when it knew Parish Council position with regard to grant aid. It was agreed that the Clerk notify the District Council of the Parish Council's intended consideration of but only limited ability to give assistance to PAWS.

(e) Attention to Allotment Gardens Entry Pathway - Para. 1

Chairman reported that the work to the Path had now been satisfactorily completed.

(f) Crime Prevention in Parishes - Para. 9(a)

Clerk reported that in consequence of the discussion about a "Parish Constable" or other local crime prevention scheme, she had asked the Milk Roundsman in the Village if he would be prepared to carry a telephone to contact the Police on criminal matters noted during his delivery round. He indicated willingness to assist with such a scheme. It was agreed that the Clerk contact the Police for their views on the proposed scheme, using Milk Roundmen's services and also any information available on cost details.

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

(a) The Council had before it the following Application
received for Consultation

Proposed Development

V/12735/3 Demolish Garage. Erect two storey extension,
UNDED APPLN. 9, Gravel Lane.

The Clerk reminded the Council that at its meeting on the 6th
December last it had confirmed its Planning Committee's
commendation that the original application be "Refused".
It was resolved that the District Council be informed that there was
"No Objection" to the amended application.

(b) Applications Received for Consultation and Considered
by the Parish Council's Planning Committee:

Proposed Development

Recommendation

V/13492 Demolish Bungalow. Erect House
and Swimming Pool, 10, Corneville Road.

Refusal

V/11294/2 Two Storey Extension and Erect
Double Garage, 28, Sutton Wick Lane. (subject to position
of neighbours re. impact on their property).

No Objection,

It was resolved to confirm the Planning Committee's action.

(c) Planning Decision Notices Received from the District
Council:

Prop. Development

Par. Co. Rcmndtn.

Decision

V/12735/
4-CA Demolish attached
Garage, 9, Gravel Lane.

No Objection

Permit

V/445/8 Erection of Bungalow
and Childrens Nursery, East Paddock, Drayton Mill.

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Withdrawn
by Aplnt.

V/445/9 Variation of Prev.
Planning Apprvl. to B1 Use, Drayton Mill.

No Objection

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It was resolved to note the Decisions of the Local Planning
Authority.

"District Wide" Draft Local Plan

In reference to Min. 5 of of the meeting on the 6th December,
1983, the Council considered whether any comment should be
made on the Plan, within the District Council's initial
consultation stage.

It was resolved that the District Council be requested to include
within "Minor Roads Improvements", at Para. 5.31 of the
Transport Section of the Plan, the desirability of
consideration of "traffic calming measures" on the B4016 and
B4017 roads through the Parish, because of the volume and
nature of "through traffic" using these roads and the
adverse environmental consequences for the local amenities and
environment, which is particularly relevant to the extensive
Conservation Area in the Village.

Financial Matters:

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(a) <u>Accounts for Approval for Payment:</u>	
Green-Litter Clearance & Grounds Maintenance, Jan.	58.36
Cat Services - Agenda Printing	9.75
Salary (£212.42) & Expenses (£29.16) Feb.	241.58
Wicksteed Leisure - Play Equipment	3084.38
L.C. Centenary Raffle	20.00
Green - Village Caretaker duties, January	40.00

reference to the Wicksteed Leisure Company Account the Clerk explained that payment for it, (less VAT which the Council could re-claim), would be paid to the Council by the District Council as Grant it had made to the Drayton Recreation Action Group, for refurbishment of the Parish Council's Play Areas. In respect of the "Centenary Raffle" grant, this would be compensated in the Council's accounts by payment therein of the equivalent sum collected from raffle sales.

Resolved that the Accounts be approved for payment.

(b) Grasscutting/Litter Clearance 1994/95 - Quotation

The Clerk reported that Quotations had been invited from three Contractors in respect of the Council's regular grasscutting and litter clearance needs for 1994/95. Only one quotation had been received, from Mr. N. Green of Bayworth, who currently did the work and he had submitted the same rates as presently applied.

Resolved that Mr. Green's quotation be accepted for continuation of his services during the Year 1994/95.

(c) Supply of New Public Notice Board

In accordance with Min. 6(d) of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported that Messrs. H.W. Poulton, had submitted a quotation of £87 (Plus VAT) for supply/installation of a notice board to the Doctor's Surgery in Steventon Road.

Resolved that Messrs. Poulton quotation be accepted.

(d) Drayton Hall and Recreation Ground Charity Recoupment - Annual Statement of Share Holding

The Clerk reported details of the Charities Official Statement Fund Certificate on the Share Holding, as at 31st December, 1993 and said that a copy of the Certificate would be forwarded for the information of the Charity Management Committee.

(e) Transfer of Funds

Resolved, on the request of the Clerk, to agree the transfer, with the authority of the three approved signatories, of £1,500 from the Council's National Savings Investment Account to its Current Account.

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(f) Parish Council Tax/Parish Precepts 1994/95

Clerk reported for information a communication from the District Council which detailed the Tax and Precept details of Parish Councils in its area for the Year 1994/95.

Review of Local Government in Oxfordshire

In reference to Mins. 9(a) and (b) of the previous meeting, Vice-Chairman (Mr. Stimpson) and Clerk reported on their attendance at the County Council presentation on the 17th January last. The County Council's principal point was that Oxfordshire should become a "Unitary Authority" for the present Oxfordshire County. The Clerk also reported a communication from the Vale of White Horse District Council, which countered the County Council's proposal, set out its own case for merger of the Vale of White Horse and West Oxfordshire District Councils, to become a Unitary Authority and requested the County Council to say whether or not it was in favour of this. The Clerk also detailed advice given by Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils to Parish Councils in considering Local Government change options.

- (a) After considerable discussion the Council resolved that the Local Government Commission and the Vale of White Horse District Council be informed that this Council
 - (a) Supports the principle of creation of Unitary Authorities;
 - (b) Is not in favour of a Unitary Authority for the present Oxfordshire County Area nor for one created by merger of the Vale of White Horse and West Oxfordshire District Councils;
 - (c) Would support a Unitary Authority based on the former Berkshire Area, i.e. Abingdon, Wantage, Didcot, Oxford and their environs.

Play Areas Refurbishment

In reference to Min. 7(a) of the previous meeting, Mrs. Mole, Chairman of the Recreation Committee, reported that M. R. H. Services had commenced their work at the Lock-Way Play Area. It would be followed as soon as possible by the laying of "Play" surfaces by Charles Lawrence Ltd. Clerk noted to note the position.

"Rights of Way"

(b) Binning Close to East-Way Footpath

In reference to Min. 3(c)(ii) of the 6th December, 1993, the Clerk reported a communication received from Messrs. Morland, Solicitors, which explained that examination of a copy of the title plan held by Land Registry showed that the late Mr. [Name] had sold the whole Binning Close development area,

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clusive of an indicated "right of way" to the adjoining path East-Way, to Field Wright Developments. This left the Parish Council, if it wished ownership of the land, to pursue an issue with the Development Company or its successor company (if applicable) but the view of Messrs. Morland was, that because of its identification in the development plans, it would be difficult now for the Developers to challenge any public use of the "right of way".

resolved to note the position and in view of the apparent established right of way between Binning Close and East-Way not to commit the Parish Council to any further expenditure on a land ownership issue,

(b) "Definitive Map" - Modification Order Applications

consequence of discussion of (a) preceding it was resolved that the County Council be requested to supply up-to-date information on the process of Modification Order applications made to it by the Parish Council in respect of both the Binning Close to East-Way Footpath and the Sutton Back Lane to Gypsy Way Bridle-Way.

Whitehorns Way Sewerage System

The Clerk reported that this item had been placed on the agenda because of complaints made to the Chairman about obligations being placed upon some Whitehorn Way Residents, by the District Council, in relation to attention to the private sewerage system serving Whitehorns Way properties. He now understood from the Chairman that the residents concerned had had direct meetings with District Council Officers and that there did not now appear need for them to involve the Parish Council in representations to the District Council. resolved to note the position.

Amenity Tree Planting - Parish Council Burial Ground

The Council noted a report by the Clerk that in connection with the Council having offered, to the District Council, the Burial Ground as a place where trees could be located during "Amenity Planting Season", Councillor Caudle (Chairman of the General Purposes Committee) and himself had met District Council Officers and agreed boundary areas for planting of several trees of suitable size growth.

National "Spring Clean" 1994 - 15th to 24th April

The Clerk reported that the District Council had, as in previous years, invited the Parish Council's involvement in the Event.

resolved that the Council support the "Spring Clean" by similar arrangements as for 1993.

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Communications Received

Clerk reported details of items received, as follow:

(a) District Council Liaison Meetings with Parish Councils Representatives - Letter from Vale of White Horse D.C. inviting two Parish Council Representatives to a meeting on 14th April.

(b) Police "Country Watch" Meeting - Letter from Police inviting Parish Council representation at meeting at Garford the 17th February.

(c) Council for Protection of Rural England "Fund Raising" Circular letter, inviting increased financial support for Council's work

(d) Doctor's Surgery, Mill Road, Abingdon - Letter from Family Health Services Authority, notifying closure of Surgery.

Resolved to note the communications received and in respect of

(a) the Chairman and Vice-Chairman be nominated to attend Meeting and the District Council be asked if it would lend the Parish Council's representation to three persons.

(b) to accept Mrs. Mole's offer to attend, if other commitments permitted.

Matters Raised by Councillors:

(a) Hedge Damage, Hilliats Field Estate
Resolved with reference to Min. 2 of the 1st November, 1993, that the Police be notified of a report by Mr. Lewis that hedge damage was again occurring on the Estate.

(b) Road-side Verge Damage, Hilliats Field Estate
Resolved that the Clerk refer to the District Council Housing Department a report by Mr. Lewis that verge damage was occurring by house No. 52 because of parking of residents' vehicles.

(c) Roundabout Need at Junction of Sutton Wick Lane and Abingdon Road
Resolved that a report by Mr. Pardey about the desirability of roundabout at the Junction, in the interest of road safety, referred to the County Council Road Safety Group in connection with its agreement to look at "traffic calming" measures at Drayton when possible.

(d) Church Lane to Henleys Lane Footpath - Maintenance Need
On the request of Mr. Stimpson it was agreed that this item should be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting.

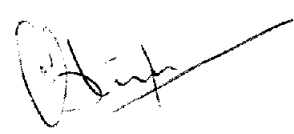
Next Meeting

Resolved to confirm that the Council's next meeting be on the 1st March, 1994.

Confidential Business

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

CHAIRMAN



CONFIDENTIAL

DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Monday, 7th February, 1994

Minutes of Confidential Business Considered

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

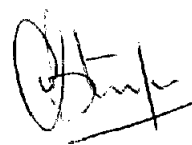
Minutes of the Confidential Business considered on the 21st January, 1994, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Allotment Gardens off Church Lane - Use of Part of
Allotment Access Land by Adjoining Householders

In reference to Minute 2 of the Confidential Business of the previous Meeting, the Clerk reported that proposed new Licence applications had been approved, as to suitability, by the Deputy Secretary of the National Association of Local Councils. In addition the advice had been given that the Licences should be described as "Deeds" and, on behalf of the Council, should be signed by two of its Members.

The Clerk added that he believed that the plans accompanying the Deeds should be redrawn for current dating.

It was resolved that the prepared Deeds be passed for the scrutiny of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman and that they be the nominated representatives to them, on behalf of the Council. Mr. Thomas's kind offer to redraw and re-date the Plans to accompany the Deeds be accepted.

 CHAIRMAN

PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

The Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on Monday, 7th March, 1994, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 7.30p. m. .

Present: Councillors Mr. Stimpson (Vice-Chairman - in "the Chair"); Mrs. Barlow, Mr. Caudle, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Pardey, Mrs. [unclear] and Mr. Thomas.
One Member of the Public, Mr. J. Spencer (of Sutton Wick Lane) was present.

Apology for Absence

An apology for absence was received from the Chairman (Mr. Bax). Mr. Stimpson explained that Mr. Bax was indisposed because of hospital surgery.
Resolved unanimously that Mr. Stimpson convey to Mr. Bax the Council's wishes, together with a suitable token, that his treatment would prove succesful and that he would soon recover to good health.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 7th February, 1994, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

(a)Clay Pigeon Shoot, Access via Lock-Way - Para.1(b)
The Council noted a report by the Clerk that from enquiries at the District Council Planning Department he had learned that there was not a prescribed access to "the Shoot" for vehicles. He had therefore written to the Dunmore Shooting Centre, in Abingdon, requesting that they advise their customers, using the Drayton Clay Pigeon Shoot, to take a route avoiding Lock-Way.

(b)Drayton Hall and Recreation Ground Charity, Property Management - Para.4(a)
The Clerk reported that he had written to the Chairman of the Hall Committee, seeking clarification of his Committee's position in respect of acceptance of its responsibility for the Car Park. There had not been reply to date.
In addition he had also referred for the Hall and Recreation Ground Management Committee's consideration a request from Messrs. Marshall & Galpin, Solicitors of Abingdon, that an intended purchaser of No.40, Steventon Road, Drayton, be granted, (similarly to some previous occupants of the address), a licence to have rear access to 40, Steventon Road, via the Hall Car Park and adjoining recreation ground. A reply from the Committee on this was also awaited.

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Mr. Pardey, the Council's Representative to the Management Committee said that it had arranged attention to litter clearance of the Car Park and, in respect of the request for vehicle rear access to 40, Steventon Road had decided that such an arrangement should no longer be permitted.

Resolved to note the situation with regard to correspondence with the Management Committee and in respect of the request from Messrs. Marshall and Galpin, for access facility to 40, Steventon Road, they be informed that the Parish Council concurred with the Management Committee's decision that a licence should no longer be granted for this purpose.

(c) Village Green Verge Damage - Para. 4(c)

The Council noted a report by the Clerk that the County Council Area Engineer had written to Messrs. Webb confirming an agreement with the Company that it would take responsibility for repairing the present damage and then the future situation would be kept under review..

(d) Grant Application by PAWS (Provision of After School Weekly Support) - Para. 4(d)

The Council noted a report from the Clerk that it seemed unlikely that PAWS would receive grant support from the Vale of White Horse District Council, because it was not that Council's policy to give what amounted to running cost aid to local organisations and it had also had a second application, concerning another local school. Relating to this, it now looked possible that the County Council, as Education Authority, would be making provision for after school Groups. Resolved to note the present situation, pending re-application to the Parish Council by PAWS, (as invited at Min. 6(c) of 10/1/94).

(e) Crime Prevention in Parishes - Para. 4(f)

The Clerk reported that he had spoken to Inspector Wagstaff, of Abingdon Police Station and he had said that he was not aware of any arrangement in his area for a milk roundsman to be a regular "look-out" to refer suspicion of criminal matters to the Police. He would not object to this arrangement but the Police could not assist with any running costs. Resolved that the Clerk publish an item in the Drayton Chronicle, seeking any public interest in employment of a milk roundsman as a "look-out" for criminal matters and also whether there would be support for financial donation toward the running cost.

(f) National "Spring Clean" - Para. 13

The Clerk reported that arrangements had been made for delivery to Councillors Mrs. Mole and Mr. Stimpson of 150 litter collection sacks, each, for issue to the Public. Resolved that the Clerk arrange publication in the Drayton

Min. 3(f)Cont/....

Chronicle of request for public support for the "Spring Clean" and the availability of litter sacks.

(g) District Council Liaison Meetings - Para. 14(a)

The Clerk reported that the District Council had agreed that the Council could be represented by three Representatives at the meeting on the 14th April next.

Resolved to settle revised representative attendance arrangements at the Council's next meeting.

(h) Roadside Verge Damage, Hilliat Field Estate - Para. 15(b)

The Clerk reported a response from the District Council which explained its reliance on the County Council, as Highway Authority, to take physical action to prevent roadside verge parking but stating that from the point of view of management of its own Council's housing it would seek to persuade the offending household to agree rental provision for installation of proper vehicle access facilities.

(i) Police "Country Watch" Meeting - Para. 14(b)

The Council noted a report by Mrs. Mole and the Clerk that it had been found that the meeting had been primarily arranged for attendance by Farmers and Landowners, rather than Parish Council Representatives.

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

(a) The Council had before it the following Application received for Consultation

Proposed Development

RA/11294/2 Two storey side extension; internal altns.; erectn. of double garage, 28, Sutton Wick Lane.
The Clerk referred the Council to its decision, (Min. 5(b) of /2/94), on the initial Application and also reported copies of objections to the proposals, submitted to the District Council by Ms. Bobbett and Mr. Ellis of 26, Sutton Wick Lane.
Resolved that the District Council be informed that the application should not be permitted if the objections of the residents of adjoining property are not satisfied in relation to loss of light amenity and also the impact the development could have on the character of their property.

(b) Applications Received for Consultation and Considered by the Parish Council's Planning Committee:

	<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
RA/3869/1	Remove Porch and Erect Conservatory, 43, Abingdon Road.	No Objection
RA/8813/3	Erection of Chalet Bungalow, Plot Adng. 2, Haywards Road	-do-

Resolved to confirm the Planning Committee's action. Cont/4..

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(c) Planning Decision Notice Received from the District Council;

	<u>Prop. Development</u>	<u>Par. Co. Rcmmdtn.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
W/12735/3	Demolish Garage,	No Objection	Permit
ENDED	Erect 2 storey Extn., 9, Gravel Lane.		

Resolved to note the Decision of the Local Planning Authority.

Review of Local Government in Oxfordshire

(a) Submission of Comments to Local Government Commission

With reference to Min. 8 of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported on information received from the County Association of Local Councils which indicated that the Commission's initial consultation stage had now been extended to the 8th April and the proposed date for the Commission's Draft proposals had been deferred to Mid. June, 1994.

Resolved to note the position.

(b) Consultation with Parish Council on Services

The Clerk also reported details of a proposal by the County Association of Local Councils that a Charter for services consultation with Parish Councils be agreed with Principal Councils (whether becoming Unitary Authorities or not).

Resolved to support the Associations proposed Charter.

Accounts for Approval for Payment

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F. Green - Litter Clearance, February	18.36
R. H. Services - Play Areas Inspection	13.00
Copy-Cat Services - Agenda Printing	10.58
Water Utilities-Burial Ground Water Supply	11.29
Mark- Salary (£212.42) & Expenses (£29.16) Feb.	241.58
Wyton Football Club-Rec. Ground Grasscutting	142.50
Green - Village Caretaker duties, February	40.00
Oxfordshire Rural Community Council - "Best Kept" Village Competition Entry Fee, 1994.	8.00

With reference to the Oxfordshire Rural Community Council Competition Fee the Clerk reported receipt of the Entry Forms for the 1994 Event.

Resolved that the Council enter the 1994 "Best Kept" Village Competition and all of the Accounts be approved for payment.

Play/Recreation Matters

(a) Play Areas Refurbishment

With reference to Min. 9 of the previous meeting, Mrs. Mole reported that the refurbishment works at both Play Areas were almost completed and would be finalised to enable payment in this financial year of the District Council's full £1000 Grant toward the costs.

Resolved to note the position, with thanks to Mrs. Mole for supervision of the refurbishment works.

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(b) Play Areas Inspection

The Clerk reported details of M. R. H. Services Play Areas inspection report for the Quarter January, 1994, this indicated a satisfactory situation apart from a Litter Bin, at the entry to the Lock-Way Play Area, having been dislodged from its ground fitting. Resolved that an order be placed with M. R. H. Services for re-installation of the Bin.

"Rights of Way"

(a) Henleys Lane to Gravel Lane Footpath - Maintenance Need

With reference to Min. 15(d) of the previous meeting, it was resolved that Mr. Caudle and Mr. Stimpson would examine the situation and report back to the Council.

(b) "Definitive Map" - Modification Order Applications

With reference to Min. 10(b) of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported that he had ascertained from the County Council Chief Executive's Office that the Parish Council's Applications, in 1990 and 1992 respectively, for "Definitive Map" record of the Sutton Wick Lane to Gipsy Way Bridle-Way and the Binnings Close to East-Way Footpath, had been "determined" by the County Council for publication of Modification Orders, for public comment but, because of Order process commitments, it could be some years before publication occurred. Resolved that the situation be referred to County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie for any action she feels able to take to improve the timing of the Order making process.

(c) Drayton to Marcham Bridle-Ways - Diversion Order Applications

In the absence of Dr. Bell, Chairman of the Footpaths Committee, it was agreed that consideration of the current situation on this matter be deferred.

(d) County Council "Rights of Way" Strategy

It was agreed that this Publication, received from the County Council, be circulated to members of the Footpaths Committee.

Allotment Gardens Management

(a) Review of Rents for 1995/96

With reference to Min. 8 of the meeting on the 10th January, 1994, the Clerk reported on enquiries he had made of Abingdon Town Council and Harwell, Steventon, Sutton Courtenay, Marcham and North Hinksey Parish Councils in relation to rents charged in their areas. This had revealed that it would not be reasonable to increase the Drayton Allotment rents. Resolved that the present rent levels be continued.

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(b) Rent Collection 1994/95

Resolved that a meeting of Allotment Holder Representatives and Members of the Council's General Purposes Committee be arranged prior to the Council's next meeting, on the 11th April, to arrange rent collection for 1994/95 and discuss any current management matters concerning the Allotment Gardens.

Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils Circular 1/94

Resolved to note the Clerk's report on the contents of the circular and in respect of a related communication inviting a representative of the Council to a service of Thanksgiving, to mark the Centenary of Local Councils, this be forwarded for the Chairman's consideration.

1. Communications Received

The Clerk reported details of items received, as follow:

- (a) Drayton Waste Reception Centre - Letter from County Engineer's Office regarding Sunday opening time.
- (b) Brook Farm, Milton Road - Ref. Min.10(a) of 10th Jan., 1994, letter from District Council Planning Department regarding required demolition of Barn.
- (c) Sewer Works, High Street, Drayton - Letter from District Council on need to excavate a trench across part of the Village Green.
- (d) Speed Reduction Campaign Signs - Sale offer received from County Engineer's Office.
- (e) Domesday Book Facsimile Publication - Sale offer from Lecto Historical Editions.
- (f) Computerised Community Information Facility - Sale offer from Cip Info.
- (g) Licence, "The Wheatsheaf" Public House - Notice of licence transfer from Mr. T. Charman to Mr. E. Biles.

Resolved to note the communications received and in respect of

- (a) the County Council be informed that the Parish Council preferred continuation of 8.30a.m. opening on Sundays.
- (c) The District Council be requested to give notice of the work to Mr. Mathews, 18, High Street, who cuts the grass.

2. Matters Raised by Councillors:

(a) Unemployed Persons Work Project

Mr. Stimpson reported the availability for public works of a County Action Project, supervised by Mary Martin, Tel.818502.

(b) Lych Gate Memorial - Repair Required

Resolved that the Clerk arrange for attention (by Mr. Buckingham) to the Lych Gate at Church Lane, following report by Mr. Caudle that the Gate could not be closed.

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(c) Events at Drayton School - Vehicle Obstruction Hilliat Fields

Resolved, following a report by Mr. Lewis, that the Clerk write to Mrs. Higgs, Head Teacher, Drayton School, requesting that persons organising evening and week-end events at the School be requested to be mindful of the need to avoid obstructing the access to dwellings in Hilliat Fields and encourage the parking of vehicles at the School when possible.

(d) Attention to Burial Ground Gates

Resolved, on the proposal of Mr. Thomas, that Mr. R. Green, the Village Caretaker, be requested to paint black the cross barred gates to the Council's Burial Ground.

13. Next Meeting

Resolved to confirm that the Council's next meeting be on the 11th April, 1994.

14. Confidential Business

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


CHAIRMAN

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DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Monday, 7th March, 1994

Minutes of Confidential Business Considered

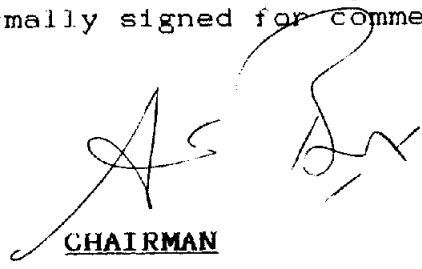
Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Confidential Business considered on the 7th February, 1994, were approved and signed by the Chairman..

Allotment Gardens off Church Lane - Use of Part of Allotment Access Land by Adjoining Householders

With reference to Minute 2 of the Confidential Business of the previous Meeting, the Clerk reported that proposed new Licence Deeds and site Plans, redrawn by Mr. Thomas, were now available for forwarding to Messrs. Williams and Haste, at 28 and 30, Church Lane respectively, for their consideration for agreement.

Resolved that the draft new Licence Deeds and Plans be forwarded to Messrs. Williams and Haste with the proposal that, if acceptable, they be formally signed for commencement April next.



CHAIRMAN

PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

The Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on Monday, 11th April, 1994, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 30p. m. .

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

County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie and two Members of the Public were also present.

Public Participation

(a)Development Application - Cornville Road

I. Gordon of Milton spoke to the Council about his planning application, to the Vale of White Horse District Council, to demolish the existing bungalow at 10, Corneville Road and replace it with a four bedroom dwelling and a swimming pool. He explained that the proposed development, the plans for which had been amended since original application, would not be as large as might be envisaged and he compared the intended building with existing properties in the Road. Chairman told Mr. Gordon that the Council would take his comments into account when considering his Planning Application within the business of its meeting.

(b)Access to rear of 40, Steventon Road from Drayton Hall Park and Recreation Ground

Russell of 40, Steventon Road, queried with the Council, a decision to refuse him vehicular access, via Drayton Hall and Recreation Ground property, to the rear of his home address, para. 3(b) of the Council's meeting on the 7th March refers). Clerk explained to Mr. Russell that the decision to refuse access use of the Drayton Hall area had been taken by the Hall Recreation Ground Management Committee, as Management Committee for the property. The Parish Council as Custodian Committee had endorsed the Committee's decision, because of the seriousness of the consideration being given by the Committee to the prevention of late night rowdy use of the Car Park, which would frustrate any agreement to assure him ready access.

(c)Builders Rubble Left by Lock-Way Play Area

Russell reported to the Council that children were causing nuisance by throwing builders rubble which had been left near the Play Area. The consequent discussion by Council members suggested that the materials were possibly left behind following work undertaken at Drayton Hall by Builders, Messrs. [redacted] and Jarvis. It was agreed that the Clerk would take the matter up with the Firm.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs. [redacted], Mrs. Mole and Mr. Pardey.

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Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 7th March, 1974, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

(a) Crime Prevention in Parishes - Para. 3(e)
It was agreed that as publication of the Council's consideration of milk roundsman assistance had just appeared in the Drayton Chronicle, further discussion would be deferred to the Council's next meeting to allow better opportunity for public response.

(b) National "Spring Clean" - Para. 3(f)
The Council agreed areas for which Councillors should, if possible, take personal part in the National "Spring Clean".

(c) District Council Liaison Meetings - Para. 3(g)
The Council agreed that it be represented at the District Council's meeting on the 14th April by Mr. Stimpson (Vice-Chairman), Mr. Caudle and Mr. Thomas..

(d) Association of Local Councils Centenary Service of Giving - Para. 10
The Chairman reported that he was unable to attend the Service at Oxford on the 8th May. As there was not another Member of the Council available it was accepted that the Council would be represented at the Service.

Applications for Permission to Carry Out Development:

(a) The Council had before it the following Applications received from the Vale of the White Horse District Council for consultation and considered by the Planning Committee

	<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
148727/7	Demolish Farm Bldgs.. Erect	No Objctn., (subj. /
148727/7	9 Houses, Sutton Wick Farm.	/to satisfactory
	public footpath through Site).	
148727/7	Variation of "Plant" Approval,	Oppose Change, /
	Didcot "B" Power Station.	/if emissions increase.
148727/7	Two storey extension, 5,	Approval.
	Gravel Lane.	
148727/7	Demolish Bungalow. Erect House	(See below)
	and Swimming Pool, 10, Cornewille Road.	

In reference to this Application, upon which Mr. Gordon had discussed the Council (Min. Para. 1(a) preceding), the Clerk stated that the District Council had not yet been informed of the Parish Council response to consultation upon it but the Planning Committee were opposed to the Development, by a

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 rity of five Members to one. Following further discussion
 his Proposal it was
 lved that
 in respect of Application DRA/13492 the Council inform the
 ning Authority that it has "No Objection" to the amended
 elopment proposal, subject to the Planning Authority being
 sified that there was no loss of light or other amenity to
 ighbouring properties.
 the action of the Planning Committee be confirmed in
 ect of the other Applications it had considered on the
 cil's behalf.

(b) Application Received from Oxfordshire County Council
 Consultation:

Proposed Development

D/VO4/94 Construction of Improvements to Surface Water
 Drainage, County Council Highways Depot
 Milton Road.

lved the County Council be informed that, subject to the
 e incorporating satisfactory "midge" control", there
 not be objection to the proposed works.

(c) Planning Decision Notices Received from the District
 Council:

	<u>Prop. Development</u>	<u>Par. Co. Rcmmdtn.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
869/1	Remove Porch, erect Conservatory, 43, Abingdon Road.	No Objection	Permit
813/3	Erect Chalet Bungalow, land adjng. 2, Haywards Road.	-do-	Permit

lved to note the Decisions of the Local Planning
 rity.

Review of Local Government in Oxfordshire

reference to Min.5(a) of the previous meeting, the Clerk
 ted on communications received from, the Vale of White
 District Council, regarding the operation of Education
 ces if it, combined with West Oxfordshire D.C., gained
 ry Authority status; The Council for Protection of Rural
 and detailing its proposal that the status quo be retained
 e Oxfordshire Local Government Structure and Oxfordshire
 y Council giving its view of the comparative costs of its
 rsion to a Unitary Authority compared to the proposals of
 County's District Councils.
 lved to note receipt of the communications.

Play Areas Refurbishment

ref. to Min.7(a) of the previous meeting, the Clerk
 ted that the works at the Play Areas had now been
 eted. Further, as VAT payments, which were recoverable
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by the Parish Council were discounted in the Grant paid by the District Council, the Drayton Recreation Action Group had been able to order three further items of play equipment, against the District Council's total £10,000 Grant. D. R. A. G. would arrange storage of this equipment until future funding was available for installation. Finally, arrangements had been settled with the District Council for its payment now to the Parish Council of the residual sum of the £10,000 Grant. Resolved to note the position.

Financial Matters:

(a) P. A. W. S. Applications for Grant Aid

With ref. to Min. 3(d) of the previous meeting, Mr. Edwards reported, on behalf of the P. A. W. S. Committee, that the project had now received some grants support, including £1,000 from the Oxfordshire Education Department, it was not therefore necessary for it to pursue a request for Grant from the Parish Council at present. Resolved to note the position.

(b) The Council had before it the following Accounts for

<u>Approval for Payment</u>	£
F. Green - Litter Clearance, March	18.36
Copy-Cat Services - Agenda and Plan Printing	24.68
Drayton Hall - Room Hire	18.00
R. H. Services-Play Area Equip. instltn. works	3014.03
Charles Lawrence - Play Area Surface instltn.	3520.31
Harland & Son-Fees re. Binning Cl. Footpath constn.	52.00
Mark- Salary (£212.42) & Expenses (£29.16) April	
Post (£21.10) Tel. Calls (£9.10) Misc. Exp. (£3.79)	275.57
M. Poulton-Notice Board constrctn./instltn.	365.27
F. R. Green-Village Caretaker duties, March	40.00
Councillor Thomas-Paint purchase for Village Caretaker use (Burial Ground gates)	9.94

Resolved that the Accounts be approved for payment.

(c) Annual Subscriptions

	£
<u>Resolved</u> to approve 1994/95 payments to	
Oxford Fieldpaths Society	2.00
Council for the Protection of Rural England	15.00

"Rights of Way"

(a) Henleys Lane to Gravel Lane Footpath - Maintenance Need

With ref. to Min. 8(a) of the previous meeting, the Council discussed the most suitable attention to this Path and also the Path between Henleys Lane and Sutton Wick. Resolved that the Council's Grasscutting Contractor, Mr. N. [Name], be invited to give a quotation for attention to both Henleys Lane related Paths, by cutting back overgrowth and gravel surface infill attention. Cont/...../5...

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(b) "Definitive Map" - Modification Order Applications
 Moved, with reference to Min. 8(b) of the previous meeting,
 Note with thanks, a report by County Councillor Mrs.
 enzie that her enquiries had resulted in explanation from
 ty Council Officers that, because of Order process
 itments, the earliest the Drayton Applications could be
 ished would be 1995, within an omnibus order for the Vale
 hite Horse District.

(c) Drayton to Marcham Bridleways - Diversion Order Applications and Signing

reference to Min. 3(b) of the 4th October, 1993, Dr. Bell
 orted that Mr. Caudwell had now signed Diversion Order
 ications in respect of Bridleways 3 and 5 and, as Chairman
 he Council's Footpath Committee he had prepared a
 unication to Mr. Gifford, the Chief Engineer, Vale of
 e Horse District Council, (that Council having agreed to
 ass the Applications). Dr. Bell explained his
 unications representation of the Parish Council's case
 the present practical diversion of the Bridleways (as per
 Caudwell's Applications) was acceptable and, given legal
 us, would, as a public amenity be signposted at the
 nse of Drayton and Marcham Parish Councils.

Moved to thank Dr. Bell and that the Parish Council's
 ement with his representation and adoption of it, would be
 irmed to Mr. Gifford, District Council Chief Engineer.

(d) Footpath 12 - Stile Maintenance

Clerk reported reference to him by Mrs. Malin, of High
 et, of communication she had received from the County
 cil Footpaths Officer, pointing out her obligation to
 all two stiles where Footpath 12 crossed land owned by
 at Brook Farm, Milton Road. Because of various diversion
 nderations to Footpath 12 in recent times, Mrs. Malin was
 re whether commitment by her to stile installation was
 ropriate. In discussion the Council noted that diversion
 ers being processed by the District Council, because of
 olopment affecting Footpath 12, remained unfinalised but
 lved Mrs. Malin be advised that these diversions would not
 ct Footpath 12 on her land and she was under obligation to
 ond to the County Footpaths Officer request on the stiles.

Allotment Gardens Management

Caudle, Chairman of the General Purposes Committee
 orted that the Committee Members and the Clerk had had a
 ing with Allotment Holder Representatives prior to the
 cil's meeting. Plot-holder changes had been agreed and
 o the rent collection arrangements for the year 1994/95,
 ch the Representatives had agreed to take responsibility
 . The representatives had also requested consideration to
 icle access and "on site" parking facilities, when possible
 also improved water supply. With regard to the latter
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Representatives had been informed of the Budget provision Council had now made for Allotment development needs. Committee would meet the representatives again in June. olved to note and confirm the Committee's action.

Communications Received

- Clerk reported details of items received, as follow:
- (a) Traffic Management "Calming" Measure, Abingdon Road in tion to Sutton Wick Farm Development - Ref. Min. 15(c) of February, 1994, letter from County Engineer stating no spect of funding from developers for Sutton Wick Farm site.
- (b) Sherwood Farm, Rubbish Accumulation - Letter received Ms. O'Hare 3, Green Acres forwarded to District Council Environmental Services Department, which had replied that instances did not warrant action.
- (c) National Census Details 1971:1981:1991 - Descriptive details for population, residential dwellings and title ownership for the Parish, received from Vale of White District Council.
- (d) The Red Lion Public House, Abingdon Road - Notice of Application to Court for transfer of Licence to Mr. G. Fletcher.
- (e) Oxford Fieldpaths Society - Annual Report and Annual Meeting Agenda.

Matters Raised by Councillors:

- (a) Alarm Facilities, Drayton Almshouses - Stimpson reported receipt of information from Mrs. Cook of Elm Lane, about local concern about Almshouse Alarm facilities as organised by the District Council. Dr. Bell said as District Councillor he would speak to Mrs. Cook.
- (b) Historic Barn, Manor Farm, Gravel Lane - olved on the suggestion of Mr. Stimpson that the District Council Planning Department be asked whether the aged Barn, ported by staddle stones, at Manor Farm was a "protected building" and if not that consideration be given to this.
- (c) Group Against Reservoir Development - reference to Min. 4(c) of the 10th January, 1994, Mr. Bell reported that G. A. R. D. would be having a meeting on the April next.
- (d) Whitehorns Way Sewers - reference to Min. 11 of the 7th February, 1994, the Council noted a report by Dr. Bell on representation made to him by Robert Jackson, M.P., about public adoption of the sewers and the current situation with regard to residents in contact with the District Council on attention to the System.
- (e) Overgrown Roadside Verge Hedge, Steventon Road - olved that the Clerk refer to the County Area Engineer a report by Mrs. Bell that the roadside path between Lock-Way and the Green was restricted because of verge bush overgrowth.

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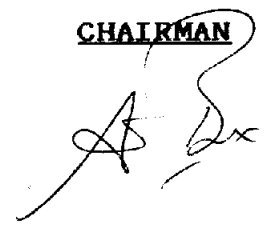
Future Meetings

olved to confirm that the Annual Parish Assembly and the Council's Annual Meeting be held on Monday, 9th May next.

Confidential Business

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

CHAIRMAN



CONFIDENTIAL

DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Monday, 11th April, 1994

Minutes of Confidential Business Considered

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the Confidential Business considered on the 7th April, 1994, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Allotment Gardens off Church Lane - Use of Part of Allotment Access Land by Adjoining Householders

In reference to Minute 2 of the Confidential Business of the previous Meeting, the Clerk reported that the proposed new Access Deeds and site Plans had been forwarded, under registered delivery post, to Mr. Williams, 28, Church Lane and Mrs. Haste, 30, Church Lane. Response had been received from Mr. Williams, agreeing the documents, subject to questioning the width of his property being shown on the Plan as 37 feet. He claimed it to be 40 feet wide and Councillor Thomas, as Chairman and the Clerk had visited him on the 28th March. He believed the Council's own land measurements would not be contradicted by accepting Mr. Williams 40 feet claim. The Clerk added that Mr. Thomas and himself had called at Mr. Williams' home after visiting Mr. Williams and had been told by Mrs. Haste that her husband and herself intended seeking legal advice on the agreement offered by the Council and were not ready to reply.

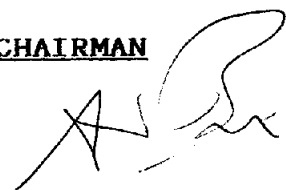
For further information the Clerk pointed out that Mr. Haste had rented an allotment at the rear of his home but not having cultivated it at all during the last year had been written to in October, 1993, asking if he was still interested in continuing rental of the Plot. He had not replied and by decision of the General Purposes Committee, when meeting on Allotment Management earlier in the evening, had not been invited to rent the Plot in 1994/95, his tenure being regarded as discarded by him.

It was decided that Mr. Williams claim to his plot being identified as being 40 feet in width be agreed.

Mr. Haste be notified that if the Council had not had a response from him, on the agreement offered by the Council for rental of the allotment access land, by the 26th April next the offer would be withdrawn.

The action taken by the General Purposes Committee in not continuing allotment plot rental to Mr. Haste be confirmed.

CHAIRMAN



PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on Monday, 9th May, 1994, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at p. m. .

Present: Councillors Mr. Bax (Chairman), Mrs. Bell, Mr. Middle, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lewis, Mrs. Mole, Mr. Pardey, Mr. Stimpson and Mr. Thomas.
County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie and three Members of the Public, (Mr. and Mrs. Long of Chiers Drive and Mrs. Tucknott Lock-Way) were also present.

Public Participation - Aircraft Noise

and Mrs. Long complained to the Parish Council about the level of noise nuisance suffered by local residents. In addition to the detriment to the environment caused by the use of traffic on the A34 Trunk Road and the impact of the nearby Didcot Power Station, there was noise intrusion in to residents' quiet enjoyment of their gardens caused by training in the area by light aircraft from Benson and the level of helicopter flights to and from Dalton Barracks Field. Now it was proposed that motorised Glider Aircraft training be established at the Airfield.

Mrs. Tucknott spoke of the nuisance of flight training over Drayton by aircraft from Benson, particularly at week-ends. She had complained to the Benson Airfield Authorities but this had not had satisfactory result.

After some general discussion of the subject the Chairman said that the Council would consider the matter for its own reasons, within the business of the meeting.

Election of Chairman of the Council for the Year 1994/95

Mr. Stimpson proposed, seconded by Mr. Edwards, that Mr. Bax be re-elected Chairman of the Council. Mrs. Bell proposed, seconded by Mr. Bax that Mrs. Mole be elected Chairman. Both candidates chose to leave the meeting, without personal part in the decision and in their absence Mr. Bax was re-elected Chairman by a clear majority of the votes of the seven councillors still present.

Mr. Bax requested that record be made of his view that another councillor should be given Chairmanship opportunity when the election for the post was next held.

Declaration of Acceptance of the Office of Chairman

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

Election of Vice-Chairman of the Council for 1994/95

Mr. Stimpson proposed, seconded by the Chairman Cont/...2..

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at Mr. Caudle be elected Vice-Chairman of the Council. There
re no other nominations and the proposal was adopted
unanimously.

Apologies for Absence

ologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs.
low and the Area Police Officer, Mr. Langford.

Appointment of Committees/Representatives for 1994/95

(a) Members' Record of Attendance at Council Meetings
h reference to Min.13 of the 1st November, 1993, the
ting noted that the Clerk had circulated to all Members the
endance record of the full Membership of the Council for
preceding year.

(b) The Council considered its appointments for 1994/95 and
olved that

(i) Appointments be made to Committee Membership as
follow:

ance - Mr. Stimpson (Chairman), Mr. Caudle, Mr. Lewis, Mrs.
e and Mr. Thomas.

ning - Mr. Stimpson (Chairman), Mrs. Barlow, Mr. Edwards,
Pardey and Mr. Thomas.

paths - Dr. Bell (Chairman), Mrs. Bell, Mr. Caudle and Mr.
dey.

ral Purposes - Mr. Caudle (chairman), Mrs. Barlow, Mr.
is and Mr. Stimpson.

reation - Mrs. Mole (Chairman), Mrs. Bell, Mr. Edwards and
Pardey.

Chairman (Mr. Bax) to be ex-officio Member of all
mittees.

(ii) Representatives for the purposes shown, be

ic Transport - Mrs. Stimpson.

ton Hall and Recreation Ground Management Committee - Mr.
ley.

ton Youth Centre Charity - Mrs. Mole.

ther, that the Clerk write to Mrs. Stimpson, expressing the
council's thanks for her work as Transport Representative.

Parish Enclosure Award

olved that the Enclosure Award be retained in the
ession of the Council's Chairman, in order that it be
ily available for any local inspection, if required.

Standing Orders

olved that the Council, for the regulation of its business
ng the Year 1994/95, adopt for guidance, as applicable,
Model Standing Orders published by the National

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Association of Local Councils.

Smoking at Meetings of the Council and its Committees

olved that smoking be banned at all business meetings of
Council and its Committees.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 11th April,
94, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

(a) Crime Prevention - Para. 4(a)

Clerk reported that the May issue of the Drayton Chronicle
cluded a letter, written anonymously by a Whitehorns Way
ident suggesting use of the Milk Roundsman for crime
vention purposes. No other comment had been received.
Caudle reported that he had made some provisional
quiries about the cost that would be incurred in renting a
eophone facility for Milkman use.
olved to consider the matter at the Council's next meeting
n Mr. Caudle would provide telephone cost details.

(b) National Spring Clean, 15th-24th April, 1994 -
4(b)

Council noted reports by Mr. Stimpson and Mrs. Mole on the
nt of public request for sacks, for the purpose of the
itz". The Chairman expressed his thanks to Councillors who
personally taken part.

(c) District Council Liaison Meeting - Para. 4(c)

Council noted that Mr. Stimpson, Mr. Caudle and Mr. Thomas
attended the Meeting on the 14th April and received from
comments on the principal items discussed.

(d) Footpath Maintenance - Henleys Lane/Gravel Lane and
leys Lane/Sutton Wick Lane - Para. 9(a)

Clerk reported receipt from Mr. Green of a quotation, (£24
Path) each path for cutting back overgrowth and, with
ect to re-surfacing that he would prefer to offer
ation for surface attention to the Paths later in the
r, when overgrowth was less of a problem and he personally
less grasscutting commitments.
olved to accept Mr. Green's quotations for attending to the
rgrowth at both Paths and to re-consider surface treatment
ng the Autumn of the Year.

(e) Group Against Reservoir Development - Para. 12(c)

Council received reports from Cont/...../4..

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Caudle and County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie on G. A. R. D.'s
...ing on the 20th April and the consideration the Group was
...ing to the status of Thames Water's development intentions;
... compensation situation with regard to "blight" on local
... property; and comprehensive survey of what would be affected
... consequence of construction of a Reservoir. In respect of
... latter, grant support might be sought from Local Councils.
...olved to note the position.

Applications for Permission to Carry Out Development:

(a) The Council had before it the following Applications,
received from the District Council for Consultation and
initially considered by the Planning Committee

	<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Cttee. Recmndtn.</u>
V8702/6	Demolition of exstg. outbuilding, -CA land adj. 3, Church Lane.	No Objection
V8702/5	Demolish bldg. as above location, erect 3 four bedroom houses and garages.	"Refusal"

...olved to adopt the Planning Committee's recommendations for
...resentation to the District Council, the basis of "refusal"
... DRA/8702/5 being over intensive development of the Site,
... the detriment of local amnities and impact on already
... difficult traffic and access conditions in Church Lane.

(b) The Council had before it the following Application
received from the County Council for Consultation

	<u>Proposed Development</u>
6/94	Amendment, to apply 0830-1600 Opening Hours daily, (including Bank Holidays), Drayton Recycling and Waste Reception Centre.

...olved that "No Objections" be made to the proposal.

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

	<u>Prop. Dvlpmnt.</u>	<u>Par. Coun. Recmndtn.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
V11294/2	2 Storey extn. & erect garage, 28, Sutton Wick Lane.	Not approved if/ /neighbours object.	Permit
V4827/7	Demolish Farm Bldgs., erect 9 houses, garages and driveways, Sutton Wick Farm.	"No Objection",/ /subject to public foopath/ /through site.	Permit

...olved to note the decisions of the Local Planning
...ority.

Financial Matters:

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

	<u>£</u>
Green - Grasscutting/litter clearance, April	180.54
Cat Services - Agenda Printing	31.66

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	£
13(a) Cont/...	
Whill Insurance - Renewal Premium 1994/5	236.62
Association of Local Councils - Subs (£182.00)	
and Cos. Journal Subs. (£7.50) 1994/95	189.50
rk - Salary (£212.42) and Expenses (£29.16) May	241.58
cksteed Leisure Ltd. - Supply of Play Equipment	1758.09
Green-"Village Caretaker" Duties, April	40.00

olved that the Accounts be approved for payment.

(b) Audit of 1993/94 Accounts

Council noted a report by the Clerk that Audit of the Council's Accounts for 1993/94 would be carried out at the District Council's Offices between the 4th and 25th July next, and the records could also be publicly inspected.

Review of Local Government in Oxfordshire

reference to Min. 6 of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported receipt by the Council, for information, of communications made by other Authorities to the Local Government Commission, namely:

- County Council's Initial Submission
 - Five Oxfordshire District Councils Joint Submission
 - Vale of White Horse District Council Minority Submission
 - Vale of White Horse D.C. Liberal Democrat Group Submission
- ies of all but the County Council's submission were available for Members of the Parish Council.

Burial Ground Management

(a) Refurbishment of Pathways

Clerk referred to part completion in 1993, by Messrs. Thomas and Jarvis, of refurbishment of the Burial Ground Pathways and the Council's decision at Min. 6(a)(i) of the 10th May, 1994, to conclude the work in the current financial year.

olved that Messrs. Thomas and Jarvis be asked if there should be any adjustment of their original quotation for the outstanding areas of path works and also whether there was justification for the works would carry the weight of a J.C.B. low tonnage lorry, which would be obliged to use the driveway for maintenance needs at the Burial Ground.

(b) Trade Name Use on Memorials

Clerk reported a request from "The Memorial Firms" of Northants., that it be allowed to attach a plate bearing the Company's name on a memorial to be installed at the Burial Ground. The Clerk added that previous memorials erected at the Burial Ground did not carry "trade names".
olved not to permit the use of "trade names" on memorials.

Allotment Gardens Management

With reference to Min. 10 of the previous meeting, Mr. Caudle, Chairman of the General Purposes Committee, reported that following request and discussion with the Allotment Holder representatives on attention required to overgrown plots, arrangement had been made for these areas to be treated with weed killer, then burned off and ploughed ready for use. With regard to extended water supply, the Representatives were likely to assist provision of this by arranging trenching works by Allotment Holders.

Resolved to confirm the action taken by Mr. Caudle in respect of the overgrown plots and also to request that he obtain a quotation from a suitable Firm to pipe water to the Allotment Gardens Site.

Aircraft Noise and Proposed Motorised Glider Training Unit Dalton Barracks Airfield

The Clerk explained that this item had been put on the Agenda following a communication from Mr. Long, of Chiers Drive, complaining about present and probable future aircraft noise disturbance at Drayton, as personally represented by him to the Council, (at Item 1 of these Minutes).

The Clerk also reported receipt of a communication from the Dalton Barracks Commander, detailing events which would take place on the Airfield during the period 1st May to 30th September this Year and emphasising considerable Helicopter activity between the 25th August and the 5th September. Resolved that the complaints received from Mr. and Mrs. Long and Mrs. Tucknott (at Item 1 of these Minutes) be referred to the Officer Commanding, Royal Air Force Station, Benson, regarding present aircraft flight training and to the District Council's Planning Department in relation to proposed Motorised Glider Training use of Dalton Barracks, with copy, information, to the District Council's Environmental Services Department, in respect of noise nuisance generally.

Communications Received

The Clerk reported details of items received as follow:
(a) Numbering of Property - Letter from District Council stating that recent development on land known as Plot 2, Lords Road, had been given the Number 1 in that Road.
(b) Halls Close, Foul Water Sewers - Letter from District Council reporting "Public Adoption" of Sewers, April, 1994.
(c) Survey of Rural Services - Communication from Oxon Association of Councils, on behalf of Rural Development Commission, requesting completion of Survey for Parish.
Resolved to note the communications received and that in respect of (c) the Clerk complete the Survey Questionnaire, consulting with Members of the Council if necessary.

Matters Raised by Councillors

(a) Grasscutting, High Street Roadside Verges

Resolved that the Clerk refer to the County Council Area Engineer reports by the Chairman and Mrs. Bell about the about cutting resulting in severing of daffodil growth and early morning noise disturbance.

(b) Grant Application by Paws

With reference to Min. 8(a) of the previous meeting, Mr. [Name] reported Grant assistance given by the District Council, which probably made it unnecessary for application this Year to the Parish Council.

(c) One Way Traffic, Henleys and Church Lanes

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

(d) Week-end Uses of Drayton School

Resolved that extent of week-end uses of Drayton School and therefore frequent disturbance to adjoining residents be referred to the School Head Teacher and County Council Education Department for their comments.

(e) Lyford Close - Speed of Vehicles in to Hilliat Fields

Resolved that report by Mr. Lewis about the danger to children of vehicles driven fast in to Hilliat Fields from the District Council's Lyford Close development, be referred to that Council's Housing Department for consideration of erection of cautionary speed signs or other measure.

(f) Highway Maintenance-Abingdon Road and Lock-Way

Resolved that the Clerk refer to the County Council Area Engineer reports by Mr. Thomas about damage done to the roadside footway near to 56, Abingdon Road, through vehicle overpass use and the "pot holed" state of Lock-Way, near to Stearns Way.

(g) Hindrance to Roadside Footway Use by Overgrown Brambling

Resolved, on report from Mr. Thomas that the Clerk write to Residents of 14, 16, and 18 Corneville Road about the overgrowth at the front of their properties.

(h) Attendance Record of Councillors

Resolved, on request of Councillor Thomas, that the publication of Members attendance record, (Item 6(a) of these Minutes), be repeated at the 1995 Annual Council Meeting.

Next Meeting

Resolved to confirm that the Council's next meeting be on Friday, 6th June.

Confidential Business

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

CHAIRMAN



CONFIDENTIAL

DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Monday, 9th May, 1994

Minutes of Confidential Business Considered

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the Confidential Business considered on the 2nd April, 1994, were approved and signed by the Chairman..

Allotment Gardens off Church Lane - Use of Part of Allotment Access Land by Adjoining Householders

In reference to Minute 2 of the Confidential Business of the previous Meeting, the Clerk reported that agreement had now been finalised with Mr. Williams on the width of his land and that, together with his Wife as joint signatory, he was ready to sign the Council's proposed agreement for rent of the allotment access land.

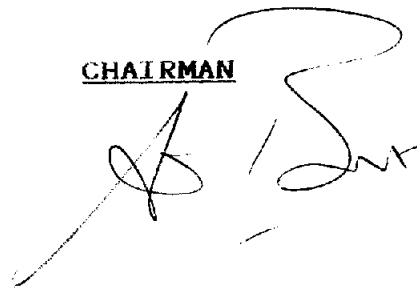
In regard to Mr. Haste, he had replied to notification of the decision of the Council's last meeting by saying that he had matters to discuss with his Solicitor.

It was resolved that

Mr. Haste be notified that if the Council had not had notice of acceptance by him, of the agreement offered by the Council for his rent of the allotment access land, by the 24th of May next then the offer would be withdrawn and the Council should take steps to prevent his further use of the land.

The Clerk make arrangements, as appropriate, for formal agreement, by necessary signatures, to accepted deed(s) for the allotment access land. The Council's signatories to be the Chairman (Mr. Bax), the Vice-Chairman (Mr. Caudle) and the Clerk.

CHAIRMAN



PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on Friday, 6th June, 1994, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 8.30p. m. .

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

Members of the Public, (Mrs. Barton of Drayton Road and Mr. Tucknott of Lock-Way) were also present.

Public Participation

(a)Decoration of St. Peter's Church Tower at Christmas
In reference to Min. 4(b) of the 10th January, 1994, Mrs. Barton, Church Warden at St. Peter's Church, attended the meeting to explain the Parochial Church Council's position in respect of the Parish Council's wish that the past practice of erection of a tree on the Church Tower at Christmas time be discontinued. Mrs. Barton said that the Church Council had accepted the arrangement because of difficulty, in avoiding damage to the fabric of the building and also harm to those responsible for erecting the tree, in ensuring that it was satisfactorily secure against adverse weather conditions. The Church Council had now decided to investigate, for installation at Christmas 1994, an appropriate illuminated decoration of the Church, which would not present the same problems as the Tree.
The Chairman thanked Mrs. Barton for her explanation to the Parish Council and advised her that it would be prepared to consider application by the Church Council for grant toward cost of external decoration of the Church at Christmas time.

(b)Aircraft Noise
In reference to Min. 1 of the previous meeting, Mr. Tucknott reported for the Council's information that noise resulting from training aircraft operating from Benson had recently been considerably reduced.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mr. Bards, Mrs. Mole, Mr. Pardey and County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 9th May, 1994, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

(a) Care of Enclosure Award - Para. 7

The Chairman said that he wondered if it would be better for the ongoing condition and security of the Enclosure Award if it was deposited within the County Council Archives. The Clerk said that his enquiries had revealed that either the Berkshire or Oxfordshire Archivist's Offices would be pleased to accept responsibility for the Award and also past Minutes of the Council's Meetings. In the discussion which followed concern was expressed that records should not be retained where they were not readily available for reference by parishioners. It was also suggested that a copy of the Enclosure Award was already held at the Berkshire Record Office.

Resolved to defer further consideration of the subject until the Clerk ascertained whether there was already a copy of the Award in the Berkshire County Archivist's possession.

(b) Crime Prevention - Para. 11(a)

Mr. Caudle reported on details he had obtained of the probable cost of supplying the local milk roundsman with a portable telephone, to report apparent criminal matters affecting the community. The most satisfactory arrangement appeared to be purchase of a phone but the first year cost of this, inclusive of "line rental" and "connection charges") would be £13, plus call charges.

Resolved, in lieu of the level of expense which would be incurred by the Council, that Mr. Tony Newman, Local Milk roundsman, be asked whether he would be prepared to keep a three month record of incidents encountered, to assist on a decision being taken on the likely benefit to be obtained from supplying him with a telephone.

(c) Highway Matters - Paras. 19(a) and (f)

The Council noted a report by the Clerk of a communication from the County Area Engineer stating that, because of the extensive grass cutting commitments, special arrangements could not be made for verges where spring bulbs had been planted. Further, with regard to footway damage by 56, Binghamton Road, this would be dealt with. Finally, that temporary surface repairs had been undertaken at Lock-Way, pending arrangements being made with contractors for more permanent attention to the damage.

(d) Lyford Close - Vehicle Speeds - Para. 19(e)

The Council noted a report by the Clerk on a letter from the Clerk of White Horse District Council, stating that it would examine the Parish Council's request for "traffic calming" measures.

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(e) Drayton School, Week-end Use - 19(d)

Clerk reported a communication received from Mrs. Higgs, School Head Teacher, which explained the advantage to the community of the availability of the School for week-end use, as the economic help this had for the School. Further, stating that the Governors did not consider "out of hour" use of the School to be excessive and all possible was done to ensure that persons using the school did not cause obstruction of Hilliat Fields by their vehicles.

Resolved to note the Head Teacher's communication, for any future reference need.

Applications for Permission to Carry Out Development:

(a) The Council had before it the following Application received from the Vale of the White Horse District Council for consultation and Considered by the Planning Committee

	<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
V13653	Rear Exten., 90, Steventon Rd.	Recommend Approval.

Resolved to confirm the Planning Committee's action.

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

	<u>Prop. Development</u>	<u>Par. Co. Rcmndtn.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
V13492	Demolish Bungalow,	No Objection, /	Refuse
UNDE	Erect House & Swimming Pool, 10, Corneville Rd.	/subject to no neigh. prop. amenity loss.	
V635/20	Erect Temporary Club-House, Drayton Golf Club.	No Objection	Permit
V1223/7	Two storey Exten.,	Recommend Apprvl.	-do-

Resolved to note the Decisions of the Planning Authority.

The Council had before it the following Accounts for approval for Payment

	<u>£</u>
H. Services - Play Areas Inspection	13.00
M. Poulton - Allotment Ground Works	58.74
L. Green - Grasscutting/Litter Clearance, May	228.54
Y-Cat Services - Agenda and Plan Printing	14.87
of White Horse D.C. - Photocopying charges	11.50
rk- Salary (£212.42) & Expenses (£29.16) June	241.58
R. Green-Village Caretaker duties, May	40.00

Resolved that the Accounts be approved for payment.

Review of Local Government in Oxfordshire

In reference to Min. 14 of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported communications received from both Oxfordshire County Council and the Vale of White Horse District Councils, indicating that the Local Government Commission was expected to publish on the 1st June next, for public consultation, three options;

- 1. Leave things as they are.
- 2. Create the County sized Authority proposed by the County Council.

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(i) Divide Oxfordshire in to a North Oxfordshire Council, a South Oxfordshire Council and an Oxford City Council. Resolved to note the position pending formal consultation and publication of the Commission's Proposals.

Play Areas

(a) Play Equipment Inspection

The Council noted, as detailed by the Clerk, that Mr. Herring, H. Services, had undertaken "quarter year" inspection of Play Equipment, in both Lock-Way and Lyford Close Play Areas, during April last and had found its condition satisfactory.

(b) Builders Rubble near to Lock-Way Play Area

In reference to Min. 1(c) of the 11th April last, the Clerk reported that Messrs. Thomas and Jarvis had not yet removed the material and he would speak to the Firm again.

Burial Ground Management

(a) Pathways Refurbishment

In reference to Min. 15(a) of the previous meeting the Clerk reported that response was still awaited from Messrs. Thomas and Jarvis.

(b) Overgrowth from Neighbouring Property

Caudle reported that boundary overgrowth, of properties in Church Street, was overhanging the newly laid area of footpath immediately inside the Gate to the Burial Ground. Resolved that Mr. Green be requested to supply a quotation for cutting back and taking away the overgrowth.

Allotment Gardens Management

(a) Consultation with Plot Holder Representatives

Caudle, Chairman of the General Purposes Committee reported that the Committee Members and the Clerk had had a meeting with Allotment Holder Representatives prior to the Council's meeting. Rent Collection from Plot-holders, for the year 1994/95, had been concluded. Discussion with the representatives had also included

the problem of overgrowth from a tree, in a Church Lane property and it had been agreed that the Clerk would write to the property owner requesting attention to the tree.

(i) the need for additional gravel on the Allotment Path, Church Lane.

(ii) quotation received from Drayton Heating Company to install additional piped water supply, with standard tap operation, in the Allotments. It was probable that the Allotment Holders would assist this by digging the necessary trench.

Resolved to note and confirm the Committee's action and in respect of: ... Cont/..... 5/.....

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- i) The Council's Grasscutter, Mr. N. Green be requested to apply a quotation for the path surface attention.
- ii) Mr. Caudle would obtain a quotation for installation of additional water supply where usage was controlled other than standard tap operation.

(b) Rent of Parts of Allotment Access Land by Adjoining Householders

The Clerk referred the Council to the lengthy negotiations which had been taking place between the Council and the owners of 28 and 30, Church Lane, for the purpose of revised rent agreement in relation to the long standing arrangement those persons had had with the previous owner of the Allotments for use of part of the allotment access land, for their own property access needs, pending the land being required for improved access to the allotment land itself. Further to Minute 2 of the Confidential Business of the Council's meeting of the 9th May last, the property owner's, Mr. and Mrs. Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Haste respectively, had on the 31st formalised agreement, by appropriate signatures, on Deeds, requiring each household to pay £52 a year rent to the Council and had made payment for the Year 1994/95.

The Council resolved to confirm the action of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Clerk in concluding agreement, by formally signed Deeds, of the new arrangements for rent of the access land. Further, that the Confidential Minutes of the 9th May be approved and signed by the Chairman and that details of the agreement with adjoining property holders now be one of public record.

Henleys Lane/Church Lane - One Way Traffic System

Stimpson asked the Council to consider the desirability of a "one way" traffic system for Henleys/Church Lanes, perhaps with the addition of "no waiting" restrictions in Church Lane, to prevent the traffic congestion in Church Lane, which could prevent emergency need passage by Ambulance or Fire Vehicles. The Council discussed the matter at length and some concern was expressed about the undesirable impact such traffic management measures would have on the "Village scene". The Council resolved to accept the Chairman's offer that he raise, in the Wyton Chronicle, the problems of congestion caused by considerable parking in Church Lane, thereby drawing public attention to the issue in an effort to encourage improvement of the situation.

Communications Received

The Clerk reported details of items received, as follow:

(a) Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils Information Circular 2/9412.

(b) Sports Development Officer - Letter from newly appointed District Council Officer with regard to his work.

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(c) Amenity Tree Planting, Season 1994/95 - Letter from
le of White Horse District Council inviting site proposals.

(d) Carers Centre, Lydalls Road, Didcot - Letter from
airman of Committee of new Centre, giving information of its
rvicees.

olved to note the communications received and in respect of

(c) the District Council be requested to consider any
placement attention required to sites earlier nominated.

Matters Raised by Councillors:

(a) Use of Lyford Close to Abingdon Road Footpath by
unken Persons

olved that the Clerk refer to the Area Police Officer a
plaint made to Mr. Lewis by a Lyford Close resident about
te night disturbance caused by persons using the Path.

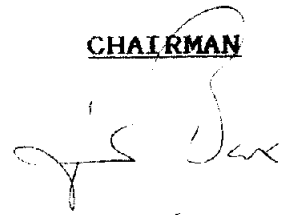
(b) Roadside Footway Obstructed by Overgrowth

olved that the Clerk refer to the District Council Housing
artment a report by Mr. Lewis that shrubbery planted by the
artment, at the entry to Lyford Close, was impeding footway

Next Meeting

olved to confirm that the Council's next meeting be on
day 4th July next.

CHAIRMAN



PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on Monday, 4th July, 1994, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 8.30 p.m.

Present: Councillors Mr. Bax (Chairman), Mr. Edwards, Mr. [redacted], Mrs. Mole, Mr. Pardey, Mr. Stimpson and Mr. Thomas. Deputy Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie and Four Members of the Public, (Mrs. M. Jones, Miss T. Jones and Mr. K. Ellis of Sutton Wick and Mr. Beames of Lock-Way), were also present.

Public Participation - Proposed Development at 28, Sutton Wick Lane - Planning Application DRA/11294/3

Mrs. Jones of 22/24, Sutton Wick and Mr. Ellis of 26, Sutton Wick addressed the Council on their objections to a Planning Application, made to the Vale of White Horse District Council, for construction of a house on land adjoining No.28, Sutton Wick Lane. They pointed out the incompatibility of the proposed development with the existing historic terraced houses and the amenity losses which would result for the occupants of the latter. Further, an aged stone wall at the location of the proposed development had been extended, apparently without planning regulation consideration. The Chairman explained to Mrs. Jones and Mr. Ellis that their comments would be taken in to account by the Council when it considered the Planning Application, in the course of the business of the meeting.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs. [redacted], Mrs. Bell and Mr. Caudle.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 6th June, 1994, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

(a) Care of Enclosure Award - Para. 4(a)

The Clerk reported that he had consulted the Berkshire County Archivist's Office and had ascertained that only a photo-copy of the Drayton Enclosure Award was held there at present. It was thought that the copy would have been taken from an original held at the London Public Records Office. Mr. Stimpson said that he believed that there would have been some manuscript records of the original Award and it was possible that the third had been made available, by the Parish Council or Church Council before it, for some local

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reference need and overlooked for return. In this respect it was thought that publicity locally of 1994 being the Centenary of Parish Councils could include a request for information on the whereabouts of any Parish "artifacts". It was resolved to accept the Chairman's offer to include comment on Parish Records when reporting Council News in the Drayton Chronicle. Further, that the Council at its next meeting consider, in relation to the recorded date of the Council's last meeting, whether a Centenary event should be arranged.

(b)Crime Prevention - Para.4(b)

The Clerk reported that he had discussed the Council's initially proposed action with the Local Milk Roundsman, Mr. [redacted]. He had expressed himself as satisfied that he could, in reasonable time, telephone facilities to report to the Police any significant occurrence and he preferred this situation to being issued with a telephone by the Council, with consequent obligation to report all dubious incidents and thereby possibly become identified as a regular police informant. It was resolved to accept Mr. Newman's views and not to consider the matter further.

(c)Lyford Close - Vehicle Speeds - Para.4(d)

The Clerk reported a communication from the Vale of White Horse District Council stating that it could not provide any measures at the Close to discourage vehicles being driven at speed and suggesting reference to the County Council. Mr. Lewis submitted a Petition, received by him, on the same subject, containing the signatures of 55 residents of Lyford Close and immediately adjoining areas. It was resolved that the speed problem, with the Petition received, be reported to the County Council Road Safety Manager.

(d)Drayton School, Week-end Use - Para.4(e)

The Council noted a report by the Clerk on a communication from the County Council Education Department, stating that the School Governors had principal responsibility for "out of hours" uses of the School.

(e)Aircraft Noise - Para.1(b)

The Clerk reported that he had reported to Royal Air Force Station, Benson, an incident of low flying over Drayton on Saturday morning 25th June, as witnessed by the Chairman. He brought to the meeting a response to this complaint, received from an Operations Squadron representative at the Station. The representative explained the nature of the Aircraft operating from the Station and their flight training commitments, which involved night activity. Check would be made to ensure that authorised procedures were being properly followed. It was resolved to note the position.

Applications for Permission to Carry Out Development:

(a) The Council had before it the following Applications received from the Vale of the White Horse District Council for Consultation and Considered by the Planning Committee

	<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
V/7295/3	Erection of Garage, 29, Steventon Road.	Approval
V/13492/1	Demolish Bungalow, Erect Chalet Bungalow, 10, Corneville Road.	No Objection
V/13716	Erection of Porch, 18, Lock-Way.	Approval

resolved to confirm the Planning Committee's action.

(b) The Council had before it the following Application received from the District Council for Consultation

Proposed Development
 V/11294/3 Erection of New Dwelling, 28, Sutton Wick Lane.
resolved to recommend to the District Council that it refuse Application, it being "out of keeping" with the adjoining historic dwellings and would result in amenity loss to them.

(c) The Council had before it the following Planning Decisions of the District Council:

	<u>Prop. Development</u>	<u>Par. Co. Rcmndtn.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
V/635/22	Exten. to kitchen, Temporary Clubhouse, Drayton Golf Course.	Refusal	Permit
V/13653	Rear Extension, 90, Steventon Road.	Approval	Permit
V/8702/5	Demolish Out-Bldng., Erect 3 Houses, 3, Church Lane.	Refusal	Permit, subjt. to Conds. to be settled.

resolved to note the Decisions of the Planning Authority.

Financial Matters:

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

	£
F. Green - Grasscutting/Litter Clearance, June	180.54
Y-Cat Services - Agenda Printing	9.40
rk- Salary (£212.42) & Expenses (£29.16) July	
ost (£23.68) & Tel. Calls (£15.30) Mar-May incl.	280.56
es Water - Cemetery Water Supply (Qutr.)	8.16
ton Hall - Room Hire April-June	18.00
R. Green-Village Caretaker duties, June	40.00

resolved that the Accounts be approved for payment.

(b) Grant Applications

Clerk reported details of Grant Applications from:
 yton Pre-School Play-Group for Play Item Purchases;
 cil for Protection of Rural England for its Transport
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Resolved to to make a Grant of £25 to Drayton Pre-School Play-group only.

Review of Local Government in Oxfordshire

With reference to Min. 7 of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported on communications from the Local Government Commission on its now published Draft proposals for the re-organisation of Local Government in Oxfordshire, that is:

1) As a Preferred Option

to divide Oxfordshire in to a North Oxfordshire Council, a South Oxfordshire Council and an Oxford City Council.

1) Alternatively, one of Either of the Options

to Create an Oxfordshire County Wide Unitary Authority, or to leave matters as they are, with the present "two tier" Districts and County Council arrangements.

The Clerk also reported communications from The County Council, favouring "the Status Quo" Option; the Vale of White Horse District Council, supporting the Commission's preferred option and from County Council Social Service and Teaching representatives arguing in favour of retention of County Wide Social and Education Services. Finally, a letter from Mr. E. Webb, of Thatcham, Berkshire, which sought the support of the Parish Council in representation to the Local Government Commission that the Ceremonial Boundary of "Old Berkshire" be reinstated, regardless of any Administrative Authorities re-organisation undertaken.

Resolved to inform the Local Government Commission that this Council is in favour of the Commission's Option for a "Status Quo" Local Government Organisation in Oxfordshire. The alternative proposals would result in a lessening of Drayton's elected Councillor representation (in relation to Principal Local Government) and would also incur financial costs which do not appear to be justified in relation to the level of possible benefit to the Public in the Parish.

Lock-Way Play Area - Seat

The Council noted a report from Mrs. Mole that it was hoped that the Drayton Recreation Action Group would soon be able to raise sufficient funds for the installation of the seat proposed for the Play Area.

Burial Ground Management

(a) Pathways Refurbishment

With reference to Min. 9(a) of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported that a revised quotation had now been received from Messrs. Thomas and Jarvis for completion of the refurbishment of the Pathways, by re-laying Sections B and C. This would cost a total of £1564.50p, that is £77.50 more than the

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 original quotation, because the Company had felt obliged to increase the latter by 5%, because of increases in its own costs. Thomas and Jarvis had confirmed that the surface to be laid should carry the weight of a J.C.B. or small lorry, having maintenance use of the Burial Ground).
 resolved to accept Messrs. Thomas and Jarvis revised quotation, in the sum of £1564.50p (Plus VAT).

(b) Neighbouring Property affecting Footpath
 With reference to Min. 9(b) of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported a quotation received from Mr. Green, in the sum of £18, to cut back and remove the overgrowth by the Path.
 resolved that Mr. Green's quotation be accepted.

(c) Application to Plant Memorial Tree by Grave
 The Clerk reported that Mrs. Saunders of Didcot had applied to the Council for permission to plant a suitable flowering tree close to her Father's Grave (Plot No. 111). He added that both Mr. Caudle (Chairman of the General Purposes Committee) and himself had concluded that there was not sufficient space near the Grave to plant a tree which could be regarded as certain not to create concern about root growth.
 resolved to inform Mrs. Saunders that, reluctantly, permission should not be given for planting of a memorial tree near to her Father's Grave but further consideration would be given to a suitable shrub, or indeed she could plant a rose bush (or bushes) on the Grave itself.

Allotment Gardens Management

(a) Attention to Entry Path from Church Lane
 With reference to Min. 10 of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported that a quotation, in the sum of £42, had been received from Mr. Green, for spraying weed killer on the Path and then adding additional gravel.
 resolved not to proceed with Mr. Green's quotation but discuss with the Allotment Holder Representatives, at the next meeting with them, whether there could be standing arrangements for Allotment-holder maintenance of the Path.

(b) Improved Water Supply
 In the absence of Mr. Caudle, with regard to Part (iii) of the resolution to Min. 10 of the previous meeting, this matter was referred to the Council's next meeting.

Dalton Barracks Abingdon - Army Briefing on Airfield Use

Mr. Stimpson and the Clerk reported on a Briefing Session for Allotment Councils held at the Barracks on the 8th June last. Col. [Name] the Barracks Commander had then given details of planned works of the Airfield, to the end of September next, which
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ould have impact on the local community. The principal of
ese was a multi-event "Open Day" on the 16th July and a
or Military Exercise, involving extensive Helicopter
tivity, between the 25th August and the 5th September.
olved to note the situation and to publish in the Drayton
onicle notice of the Exercise involving Helicopters.

Communications Received

Clerk reported details of items received, as follow:

(a)Access for Motorised Wheelchair, Church Lane - Copy,
r information, of Letter from County Council Area Engineer,
Resident, notifying County Council's inability to finance
ecial wheel-chair access arrangements.

(b)Historic Barn at Manor Farm, Gravel Lane - Ref.
n.12(b) of the 11th April, 1994, Letter from District
ouncil Planning Department, explaining that the Barn is a
rotected Building", because it is in the Curtilage of a
sted Building and part therefore of a Group situation.

(c)District Council "Public Question" Procedure - Notice
om the Vale of White Horse District Council regarding a
ange in its Standing Orders to allow Members of the Public,
th due Notice, to raise questions at its Meetings, for reply
an appropriate Member of the Council.

(d)Inland Revenue Department - Advice to Old Age
sioners - Letter from Inland Revenue Department, seeking
ropriate contact to assist arrangement of talks to elderly
ersons groups to assist their understanding of their rights
th regard to non-liability for tax payments.

(e)"Town Twinning Advice Officer" - Letter from Vale of
ite Horse District Council on its appointment of an Officer
assist Local Councils on "Twinning" activities.

olved to note the communications received and in respect of
(d) that the Inland Revenue Department be advised to
ctact Mrs. Sheila Cook (Women's Institute, Drayton).

Matters Raised by Councillors:

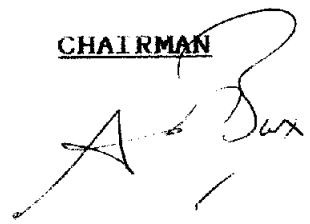
(a)Cycle Track - B4017 Abingdon/Drayton
Stimpson queried whether there had been any development in
pect of the County Council's agreement to examine the Cycle
ack need. It was agreed that the Clerk would seek
ormation from the County Council on the current position.

(b)Footpath No.18 - Sutton Wick Lane to Abingdon
Thomas complained that the Path is completely obstructed
its commencement location in Sutton Wick Lane.
olved that the Clerk take the matter up with the County
ncil Fieldpaths Officer, for appropriate representation to
Webb the Landowner.

Next Meeting

olved to confirm that the Council's next meeting be on
day 1st August, 1994.

CHAIRMAN



PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

The Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on Sunday, 1st August, 1994, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 30p. m. .

Present: Councillors Mr. Bax (Chairman), Mrs. Barlow, Mrs. Bell, Dr. Bell, Mr. Caudle, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lewis, Mrs. Mole, Mr. Stimpson and Mr. Thomas.
County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie and Two Members of the Public, (Mr. Spencer of Sutton Wick and Mrs. Webb, of High Street), were also present.

Apology for Absence

Apology for absence was received from Mr. Pardey.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 4th July, 1994, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Matter Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting - Parish Records - Para. 4(a)

It was noted that no information had been forthcoming to date on the possible whereabouts of any other copy of the Parish Closure Award.

Applications for Permission to Carry Out Development:

(a) The Council had before it the following Applications received from the Vale of the White Horse District Council for consultation and considered by the Planning Committee

	<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
V11891/1	Construct Vehicle access, 56, Abingdon Road.	Approval
V13737	Erect new Garage, 2, Crabtree Lane.	-do-

Resolved to confirm the Planning Committee's action.

(b) The Council had before it the following Planning Applications of the District Council:

	<u>Prop. Development</u>	<u>Par. Co. Rcmmdtn.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
V7295/3	Erect Garage, 29, Steventon Road.	Approval	Permit
V13716	Erection of Front Porch, 18, Lock-Way.	-do-	-do-
V13492/1	Demolish Bungalow & Erect Chalet Bungalow, 10, Corneville Road.	No Objection	-do-
C.C. 1/94	Surface Water Drainage Improvement, Highways Depot, Milton Road.	-do-	-do-

Resolved to note the Decisions of the Planning Authority.
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(c) Proposed Didcot "B" Power Station - Variation Application HAR/SUP/12063

With reference to Min. 5(a) of the 11th April, 1994, the Clerk reported a communication from the Department of Trade and Industry stating that National Power had been informed of the Secretary of State's decision that if it proceeded with its variation application a Public Enquiry would be called to examine it. County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie added, for the Council's information, that the Liaison Committee of Local Councils which directly adjoin the Power Station had concluded, in the light of the Secretary of State's Decision, that National Power could now decide to develop in accordance with its originally approved application. Resolved to note the position.

Proposed Mineral Working Sites

The Clerk reported a communication from the County Council inviting the Parish Council's observations on proposals made by landowners and mineral operators for designation of areas of local land, within the County Minerals and Waste Local Plan, for future sand and gravel working. Firstly, land in Drayton Parish, immediately east of Drayton, lying between the B4016 Drayton to Sutton Courtenay Road and Sutton Wick, bounded on the east by Stonehill Lane and secondly, an area of land in Sutton Courtenay Parish, west of Sutton Courtenay and north of the B4016 Drayton Road.

Resolved to inform the County Council of the Parish Council's strong opposition to use of the land adjoining Drayton for sand and gravel extraction, because of its extremely close proximity to the Village and the impact that workings over such an extensive area would have on the local environment and amenities. Moreover, the necessary ultimate "in-filling" of the workings could not fail to have detrimental effect on the quality of life of local residents. With regard to the proposed location in the adjoining Sutton Courtenay Parish, the County Council be informed also that in this Council's view sand and gravel extraction was undesirable because of the close proximity of the land to the Drayton-Sutton Courtenay Road and the adverse impact such workings would have on the local community.

Parish Council Centenary

With reference to Min. 4(a) of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported that within the terms of the Local Government Act 1974 a Parish Meeting had been held in December, 1894, to arrange appointment of the first Parish Council for Drayton and this Council had its first meeting in January 1895.

Resolved that the Chairman and Mr. Stimpson be appointed to consider further, by co-option of other persons as necessary, Cont/...../3...

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and report back for the Council's decision, how it could most suitably celebrate its Centenary Year.

The Council had before it the following Accounts for approval for Payment:

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F. Green - Grasscutting/Litter Clearance, July	180.54
Copy-Cat Services - Agenda Printing	9.40
Clerk- Salary (£212.42) & Expenses (£29.16) August	241.58
M. R. Green-Village Caretaker duties, July	40.00

Resolved that the Accounts be approved for payment.

Review of Local Government in Oxfordshire

With reference to Min. 7 of the previous meeting, the Clerk referred to a letter sent to all Parish Councillors by the Vale of White Horse District Council, indicating its support for the Local Government Commission's Draft Proposal that it be merged with South Oxfordshire District Council, to form a new Unitary Authority of South Oxfordshire. Also to other communications received, respectively, from the County Council, confirming its preference for a "status quo" decision to the Commission; from the Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group of the Vale of White Horse District Council, questioning that Council's financial analysis of re-organisation costs and from the Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils, detailing its comments to the Commission, which in the light of varying views by its Member Councils, did not indicate choice of any organisational option but represented more general views, such as the need for Parish Council's to have an improved consultative role on local services in future.

Resolved to note the further communications received.

Play/Recreation Ground Matters

(a) Condition of Recreation Ground/Car Park Area

Clerk reported receipt of a complaint from Mr. Martin of Denton Road about the condition of Drayton Hall and grounds, including the Recreation Ground area. Mr. Martin suggested that the Council erect signs to overcome the litter and dog fouling problems and had also mentioned work he had undertaken to improve the appearance of the area.

Resolved that Mr. Martin be invited to the Council's next meeting to speak on the matters of concern to him.

(b) Play Area Seating

With reference to Min. 8 of the previous meeting, Mrs. Mole reported that a quotation for installation of seating had been requested from Mr. Herring, (who maintained the Play Areas). An alternative quotation could also be helpful.

Resolved to note the position and to agree that Mrs. Mole also obtain a quotation from Messrs. H. W. Poulton, of Drayton.

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Burial Ground Management

With reference to Min. 9(b) of the previous meeting, the Council noted a report by the Clerk that Mr. Green had not yet dealt with the boundary overgrowth problem but expected to do so within the next week.

Allotment Gardens Management

(a) Improved Water Supply

With reference to Min. 10(a)(iii) of the meeting on the 6th June, 1994, Mr. Caudle submitted a quotation received from Layton Heating for installation of a "ball valve" controlled trough for water supply, at total cost of £195 plus VAT. Council resolved to accept the quotation but not to place an order for installation of the trough until arrangements had been made for the necessary pipe trenching work to be undertaken by the Allotment Holders and, for this purpose, a meeting between the Allotment Holders' Representatives and the Council's General Purposes Committee be arranged for 7p.m. on Monday, 5th September next.

(b) Allotment Holders' Sheds

Mr. Stimpson expressed concern about the varying sizes and styles of sheds erected on the Allotment Gardens and therefore the probability of an unsightly situation developing. Council resolved to note that the Council's rental agreement with Allotments holders required tenants to obtain the Council's permission prior to erection of any building and, therefore, any shed erected which was offensive to the eye could be required to be removed, as a breach of the Tenancy Agreement. This matter would be discussed at the next meeting with Allotment Holder representatives.

Communications Received

The Clerk reported details of items received, as follow:

- (a) Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils Circular 3/94
- (b) Local Council Review, July, 1994
- (c) Mobile Fish and Chip Shop, Trading in Marcham Road and High Street Service Road

Telephone complaints had been received by the Clerk about the Mobile Shop trading during the evening times, firstly from the Car Park of the Industrial premises in Marcham Road and then subsequently from the junction of High Street Service Road, behind The Green and close to Steventon Road. The complaints had been passed on to the District Council Planning Department and Police as matters within their authority, regarding planning control or construction/trading on highway respectively. The Clerk also read to the Council a letter delivered to the Meeting by Mrs. Webb of High Street, which expressed her Family's support for the Mobile Fish and Chip Shop trading from the High Street Service Road area.

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(d)Steventon Road - Overgrowth of Boundary Shrubbery - Complaint had been made to Mr. Stimpson about footway impediment by the Doctor's Surgery and the Bus Stop Lay-By (by the A34 Flyover). These had been referred to Doctor Casson and Mr. J. Binning, respectively, with request for attention.

(e)Lyford Close - Overgrowth of Boundary Shrubbery - Ref. Min. 13(b) of the 6th June, 1994, further complaint about the overgrowth had been received from Mrs. Day, Hilliat Fields and again passed to the District Council Housing Department.

(f)Steventon Road, Tops Removed from Lime Trees on Roadside Verge - Mr. Mead of Steventon Road had reported for information that the trees, planted on the roadside verge within a Amenity planting scheme had had their tops cut off, as though to stunt their growth.

(g)Matters Raised by Drayton Wives Group - The Clerk, in addressing the Group on the work of the Parish Council had received representation on:

- Extended footway lighting need in Henleys Lane
- Overgrowth adjoining Gravel Lane to High Street Footpath
- Larger Litter Bin need on the Village Green
- Cleaning required of Pond in Sutton Wick Lane
- Change to orange (from white light) of a Road Lamp in Annings Close. This had been referred to the County Engineer.

Pruning of Trees, High Street roadside verge, (opposite 13(A)), which had broadened their growth.

(h)Refurbishment of Overhead Power Cables at South of Drayton - Letter from National Grid on work to be undertaken from Mid. August to Mid. September.

(i)Kerbing on Rural Roads - Letter from County Engineer explaining policy on kerb installation. It is noted to note the communications received and, where applicable, the action already taken by the Clerk. Further, in respect of item (c), on the information currently available to the Council, the Council would not itself complain about the Shop.

Matters Raised by Councillors:

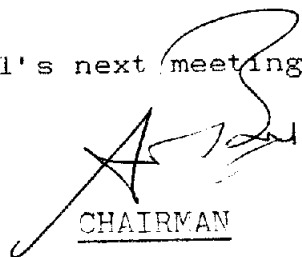
(a)Sutton Wick Sign, Abingdon Road - The Clerk undertook to refer to the Highway Authority a report by Mrs. Barlow about the misplaced direction of the sign.

(b)Cycle Track - B4017 Abingdon/Drayton - Ref. Min. 13(a) of previous meeting, County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie reported probability of County Council consideration in early part of a report on the subject.

(c)Through Traffic on B4016 Drayton - County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie reported that this could be reduced by County Council proposals to install traffic lights at "The Wagon and Horses" Junction on the Abingdon/Culham Road.

Next Meeting

It is resolved to confirm that the Council's next meeting be on Friday 5th September, 1994.


CHAIRMAN

PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on
Monday, 5th September, 1994, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at
10.30p. m. .

Present: Councillors Mr. Bax (Chairman), Mrs. Barlow, Mrs.
M. Bell, Mr. Caudle, Mr. Edwards, Mrs. Mole, Mr. Pardey
Stimpson and Mr. Thomas.
Free Members of the Public, (Mrs. Darling and Mr. Spencer
of Sutton Wick and Mr Beames, of High Street), were also
present.)

Public Participation:

(a)Condition of "Rights of Way" within Village

Mr. Beames, of high Street, spoke to the Council on
maintenance attention required to the "country" footpaths
between Gravel Lane/Henleys Lane; Henleys Lane/Sutton Wick and
Gravel Lane/High Street, in order to make them more fit for
public use. The Chairman said that Mr. Beames' complaint
would be considered within the Council's meeting.

(b)Tree Overgrowth affecting Illumination from Roadside
Lamps

Mr. Spencer reported to the Council that illumination from the
roadside lamps in Abingdon Road, north of Corneville Road and
particularly opposite to the Sutton Wick Turn, was obscured by
tree overgrowth. The Clerk said that he would take the matter
with the County Council, which had maintenance
responsibility for the Lamps.

(c)Roadside Verge Grasscutting

Mrs. Darling of "Stone Barn" Sutton Wick Lane, complained to
the Council that whereas areas adjoining the roadway at
Henacres and by the Pond, Sutton Wick regularly received
grasscutting attention by the Parish Council, the roadside
verge area adjoining her home was only rarely cut by the
County Council and was therefore often in an untidy state.
The Chairman explained to Mrs. Darling that the general
situation with regard to grasscutting was that the Parish
Council dealt with common land, for which it had "ownership"
obligation and the County Council, as highway authority, dealt
with roadside verges. The Council would however discuss her
complaint further, within the business of its meeting.

Apologies for Absence

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

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 1st August,
1994, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

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Matter Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

(a) Council Centenary - Para. 6

The Chairman reported on a proposal by Mr. Stimpson that the Council recognise its Centenary by a Reception at Drayton Hall, preferably on the Centenary Day, or as close as possible hereto. Representatives of all established Organisations in the Village would be invited and also past Members of the Parish Council. Opportunity could be taken to display old Parish Records/Maps and any other items of historic interest to the Parish. There could also be a photographic quiz, relating to places in the Village. Catering could be undertaken by individual Councillors and the Clerk each being given a small sum (say £6) to assist with provision of a finger buffet and together with purchase of wine and fruit the event could be undertaken with total cost of about £250. I resolved to thank Mr. Stimpson for his proposal, which be adopted with the request that he kindly arrange the booking of Drayton Hall and undertake such other arrangements as are necessary at this stage to proceed with the Event.

(b) Review of Local Government - Para. 8

The Clerk report further communications received from the Vale White Horse District Council, firstly setting out the representations it had made to the Local Government Commission in support of its amalgamation with South Oxfordshire to form a Unitary Authority; secondly responding to the Liberal Democrat Group, within its own Council Membership, in relation to that Group's query on its assessment on the financial cost of re-organisation. Also, a communication from Oxfordshire County Council giving further information in support of its proposal that the Commission make a "status quo" decision. I resolved to note receipt of the further communications.

(c) Mobile Fish and Chip Shop - Para. 12(c)

The Clerk reported details of communications received. Firstly from the Police saying that it would give attention to any obstruction caused by the shop trading on the highway. Secondly, from the District Council Planning Department, stating that now the Shop had finished trading from the Archam Road industrial premises, it regarded street trading as a matter for the Police and Highway Authorities. Thirdly, from the District Council Environmental Health Department which detailed the District Council's ability to designate streets as Prohibited or Consented Streets for trading purposes, any action in this respect would be undertaken by consultation with the Parish Council. The Clerk added that the Mobile Fish Shop had apparently ceased trading from High Street and he had had a telephone call from an elderly local resident complaining about this and the absence of any "fish and chip" facilities in the Village.

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resolved to note the communications received and to consider the Council's position further if the "Fish and Chip" seller sought to trade in a local street, within legal authority.

Applications for Permission to Carry Out Development:

(a) The Council had before it the following Applications received from the Vale of the White Horse District Council for consultation and considered by the Planning Committee

	<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
W/13054/	Erection of Dwelling, Brook Farm, Milton Road.	Approval
W/13747	Two storey Extension, 15, Crabtree Lane.	No Objection
R/13747/	-do-	-do-

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resolved to confirm the Planning Committee's action.

(b) The Council had before it the following Planning Decisions of the District and County Councils;

District Council

	<u>Prop. Development</u>	<u>Par. Co. Rcmndtn.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
W/13737	Erect detached Garage, 2, Crabtree Lane.	Approval	Permit
W/11891/	New Vehicular Access, 56, Abingdon Road.	-do-	-do-
W/11708/	Construct Glider Training Facilities, Daltons Barracks, Abingdon.	Local Resident objns. fwd. to Dis. Co..	No Objn. made to M. O. D.

County Council

Co. Co. 06/94	Variation of Opening hours to 0830-1600 Daily, Drayton Amenity Waste Centre.	No Objection	Approve
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resolved to note the Decisions of the Planning Authorities.

(c) Approved Development at 3, Church Lane - DRA/8702/5
In reference to Min. 5(c) of the 4th July, 1994, the Clerk reported that this related to notice, dated the 20th June, received from the District Council stating that the Church Lane Application had been accepted in principle by its Planning Committee and the Chairman and the Departmental Director for Development had been given delegated approval to settle matters of detail. On the 15th August, 1994, Miss Ellis-Dixon, of Henleys Lane, had informed the Parish Council her understanding that the Application was to be taken before the Planning Committee that day because of changed building height details. The Clerk had confirmed this with the Planning Department and had asked that the Committee be informed of the Parish Council's concern about its consideration of the Application, without the Parish Council being consulted on the changed details. To date no

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response had been received from the District Council. Resolved to confirm the Clerk's action and the District Council be asked to explain its consideration of a varied planning application without the Parish Council being given opportunity to comment on the changed details.

(d)Proposed Didcot "B" Power Station - Variation application HAR/SUT/12063

With reference to Min. 4(c) of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported that notice had now been received from the Department of Trade and Industry stating that National Power had withdrawn its application to vary the consent given for the Power Station development.

Resolved to note the position.

(e)"Pub Sign", The Red Lion Public House

Caudle reported that a new sign, in cartoon style, had been erected at the Red Lion Public House and wondered whether planning approval should have been obtained for this.

Resolved that the Clerk take the matter up with the District Council Planning Department.

Financial Matters:

(a)Grant Application by "Drayton Players"

The Clerk reported details of an application by the "Drayton Players" Drama Group for grant assistance toward a production to be undertaken in February, 1995.

Resolved that "Drayton Players" be informed that the Council believed it could not reasonably give it support, from its limited financial resources, because the Group had the commercial ability to extend its own income, e.g. from increased admission charge for its productions.

(b)Annual Subscription to Oxfordshire Rural Community Council - 1994/95

The Clerk reported that the Annual Subscription was due and a budget provision of £10 had been made for this.

Resolved that the Council's Subscription of £10 be paid.

(c)Audit of Council's Books 1993/94

The Council noted a report by the Clerk that Audit of its books had been completed without Auditor query or report.

(d)The Council had before it the following Accounts

W. Green-Hedge/Grasscutting/Litter Clearance, Aug.	£226.54
W. Green-Cat Services - Agenda Printing	8.23
W. Green-Salary (£212.42) & Expenses (£29.16) September	241.58
W. Green-H. Services - Play Equipment Inspection, July	13.00
W. Green-G Peat Marwick - Audit 1993/94	240.88
W. Green-R. Green-Village Caretaker duties, August	40.00

Resolved that the Accounts be approved for /Cont/5..

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payment and, at the conclusion of its Agenda the Council consider, in Confidential Session, the continuation of the "Village Caretaker" employment.

Play/Recreation Ground Matters

(a) Condition of Recreation Ground/Car Park Area

With reference to Min. 9(a) of the previous meeting, the Council noted a report by the Clerk that arrangement had been made with Mr. Martin to attend the Council's meeting that evening and he had not indicated that he would not do so.

(b) Removal of "Cycle Shed" Facility from Recreation Ground

The Clerk reported that on the 8th August last he had received advice from Mrs. Day, on behalf of the Drayton Hall and Recreation Ground Management Committee that the Committee intended disposing of the Cycle Shed, which had been set aside for use by young persons, because windows at the Hall were being broken in the course of it being used near to the building as a football goal area. Following discussion between the Chairman, Mr. Thomas and himself, it had been arranged for Mr. Caudle to kindly remove the Shed for safe-keeping, pending decision on its future location. It was resolved that Mr. Caudle be thanked for his action and

(i) Mr. Thomas be requested to consult with the Drayton Football Club on a suitable site for re-location of the Shed at the Recreation Field.

(ii) the Clerk write to the Hall and Recreation Ground Committee, notifying it of the Council's decision and also its concern at the Committee's unilateral action on the Shed.

(c) Play Area Equipment

With reference to Min. 9(a) of the previous meeting, Mrs. Mole reported that a quotation had now been obtained from M. R. H. Services for installing, for the total sum of £298, a 6ft bench seat and a "Spring Mobile" item of play equipment at Lock-Way Play Area and a "See-Saw" at Lyford Close. It had been realised that a "safe-play" surface would be required for the "Spring Mobile" and the Drayton Recreation Action Group would endeavour to raise money for this.

In the discussion that followed, query was made whether the See-Saw would also require a "safety surface" or if the existing surface area of Lock-Way would suffice.

It was resolved that, subject to the "See-Saw" not requiring a special "safe-play" surface, in respect of which the Clerk and Mrs. Mole would seek professional advice, the Council would agree to its installation and also the bench seat, using funds provided by the Drayton Recreation Action Group, supplemented by the Council if need be. The Council would thereafter take joint responsibility for the items installed.

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(d) Play Areas Equipment - Quarterly Inspection

Council noted a report by the Clerk on the satisfactory quarterly inspection of Play Equipment, undertaken by M. R. H. Jones in July.

Burial Ground Management(a) Maintenance Works

Council noted that Messrs. Thomas and Jarvis were in process of undertaking the Path refurbishment and Mr. Green completed the cutting back of boundary overgrowth (Min. 9(a) and (b) of the 4th July, 1994).

(b) Application to Plant Memorial Tree on or by Grave

In reference to Min. 9(c) of the 4th July, 1994, the Clerk reported further request from Mrs. Saunders that she be permitted to plant a restricted growth "Kilmarnock Willow" as a memorial.

Resolved that Mrs. Saunders be informed that the Council felt unable to agree to her planting the proposed tree species at her Father's grave but it would be more favourably disposed to her request to plant a tree (or install a seat) with a memorial plaque on a suitable boundary location of the Cemetery.

Allotment Gardens Management

In reference to Min. 11 of the previous meeting, Mr. Caudle reported that together with Members of the Council's General Purposes Committee and the Clerk he had met allotment holder representatives prior to the Council's meeting. Agreement had been reached on the following items:

Replacement Representative - A replacement was to be sought for Mr. G. Currey, one of the three allotment holder representatives, because he was leaving Drayton.

Path Maintenance - The allotment holders would lay gravel, to be donated by Mr. Caudle, to improve the Footpath from Church Lane.

Improved Water Supply - The allotment holders would dig a trench, during late October next, to assist installation of additional water supply.

Badly Overgrown Plots - It was suggested that the Council's landscaping contractor, Mr. Green, be requested to quote for the removal of three badly overgrown vacant plots, which spoilt the appearance of the Allotment Gardens.

Ugly Sheds - The Representatives would be mindful of the need to ensure that unsightly structures were not erected.

Resolved to thank Mr. Caudle for his report and the action proposed which would be confirmed. Also, that a quotation be obtained from Mr. Green, regarding the overgrown plots and the same to be conveyed to Mr. Currey the Council's thanks for his assistance with management of the Allotment Gardens.

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Representations Received

With reference to Item 1 of these Minutes, the Council discussed matters raised and agreed action as follows:

- (a) Condition of "Rights of Way"
Resolved that the Footpaths Committee would meet, by arrangement of its Chairman, Dr. Bell, for consideration of the subject and report to the Council.
- (b) Grasscutting, Highway Verges, Sutton Wick
Resolved that the County Council Area Engineer be requested for details of the number of cuts made in 1994 and the number planned in 1995.

Communications Received

Clerk reported details of items received, as follow:

- (a) Ball Games Played on Whitehorns Way "Road Island" - Letter from Mr. Canfield, 9, Whitehorns Way, about potential property damage and traffic hazard.
- (b) Council for Protection of Rural England - Invitation to Council Members to Buy Draw Tickets for C.P.R.E. Fund raising.
- (c) "Naming and Numbering" of Property - Letter from District Council Principal Engineer, reporting Plot adjoining 2 Haywards Road now named "Fairways House".
- (d) Vehicle Speeds, Lyford Close - Ref. Min. 4(c) of 4/7/94, Letter from County Engineer saying that he was unable to suggest any signing appropriate to the circumstances.
- (e) Traffic Management - Letters from County Council Engineer regarding management of A34 Road Maintenance; also general review of Road Safety and Schemes proposed for 94/95.
- (f) Retirement of County Council Area Engineer - Letter from the Engineer, notifying his retirement in September.
Resolved to note the communications and in respect of:
 - (a) the matter be referred for Police consideration and also the District Council be requested to consider amenity planting on the "Island" to impede its use for ball games.
 - (b) to return the tickets unpurchased.
 - (f) the Clerk write to Mr. Churchman, the retiring engineer, thanking him for his services to the Parish.

Matters Raised by Councillors:

(a) Proposed Thames Water Reservoir

The Chairman said there still appeared local concern about the threat of a new Reservoir, south west of Abingdon and he requested the subject be on the Agenda for the next meeting.

(b) Posting of Event Notices on Trees, etc

Stimpson expressed concern about the proliferation of local "flyposting" and failure of those responsible to remove them following events. It was agreed that the Chairman would write in the Drayton Chronicle on the subject. Cont/..../8..

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(c) Field Gate Within Bus Lay-By, Steventon Road

Mr. Stimpson expressed concern about the regular farming use of a field access which involved driving across the Bus Stop area, to the possible danger of persons waiting there. Resolved that the Clerk refer the matter to the District Council Planning Department.

(d) Car Boot Sales, Sherwood Farm, Abingdon Road

Mr. Barlow complained about the verge parking of vehicles and the dangers created to passing traffic by the uncontrolled access and exit of vehicles to the regular Sunday Sales. Resolved that the Clerk refer the matter for Police consideration.

(e) Pedestrian Crossing Need, Abingdon Road

Mr. Barlow referred to an accident on the 27th August last, when a teenaged pedestrian was knocked down in Abingdon Road by a passing vehicle. She added that this appeared to emphasise the need for a pedestrian crossing. Resolved that the Clerk refer the matter to the County Engineer.

(f) Hole in Roadside Footway, Abingdon Road

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Next Meeting

Resolved to confirm that the Council's next meeting be on Monday 3rd October, 1994.

Confidential Business

Resolved that the Press and Public be excluded from the remaining business of the Meeting because of the special and private nature of the matter to be discussed.



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DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Monday, 5th September, 1994

Minutes of Confidential Business Considered

Employment of "Village Caretaker"

With reference to Item 6(d) of these Minutes, the Council considered the continued employment of Mr. R. Green as "Village Caretaker", in the light of the major commitment for his services being litter collection; the reduced litter problem during Autumn/Winter months and the difficulty in supervising Mr. Green's work, having regard to his services being used for limited hours, which were worked irregularly. Resolved to cease forthwith employment of Mr. R. Green and to reconsider engagement of a "Village Caretaker" in the event of any services being offered by an alternative contractor.



CHAIRMAN

PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

The Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on Monday, 3rd October, 1994, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 7.30p. m. .

Present: Councillors Mr. Caudle, (Vice-Chairman - in "the Chair"), Mrs. Bell, Dr. Bell, Mr. Lewis, Mrs. Mole, Mr. Pardey, Mr. Stimpson and Mr. Thomas.
One Member of the Public, (Mr. Spencer of Sutton Wick), was also present.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from the Chairman of the Council (Mr. Bax); Councillors Mrs. Barlow, Mr. Edwards and County Councillor Mrs. Mackenzie.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 5th September, 1994, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

(a) Tree Overgrowth Affecting Lighting - Para.1(b)
Council noted a report by the Clerk that the County Council was arranging attention to the overgrowth.

(b) Roadside Verge Cutting, Sutton Wick - Paras.1(c) and 2)

Caudle reported a letter, dated the day of the Meeting, addressed to the Chairman of the Council, Mr. Bax, by Mrs. Darling of "Stone Barn", Sutton Wick Lane and again making representation for improvement in the grasscutting arrangements for the roadside verge adjoining her home.

Clerk reported a letter from the County Council Area Engineer, stating that cutting had been programmed for five sessions during 1994 but only four cuts, (dates given), had been undertaken because the dry Summer months had resulted in increased grass growth. A policy maximum of five cuts was also proposed for 1995.

Resolved that Mrs. Darling be informed that improvement of the roadside grasscutting near to her home could not realistically be achieved by the Parish Council taking responsibility for it, as this would be a precedent for other requests. The Parish Council's financial resources only permitted attention by it to "commons" areas and, if there was to be public service improvement in the frequency of verge cutting this could only probably be applied by the County Council.

(c) Police Matters - Paras. 11(a) & 12(d)

Council noted a report by the Clerk on a communication

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on Inspector Smith at Abingdon which said that the matters Ball playing in Whitehorns Way and Sherwood Farm Car Boot les Traffic had been referred for the attention of Woman lice Constable Hazel Pearce.

(d) Pedestrian Crossing Need, Abingdon Road - Para. 12(e)

e Clerk reported that the County Council Road Safety Manager d replied that a survey in Abingdon Road had revealed that e combined flow of traffic and pedestrians crossing the Road ll short of the threshold for pedestrian crossing provision. solved to note the County Council response and request the ad Safety Manager to provide details of the date and time e Abingdon Road survey was conducted.

(e) Hole In Footway, Abingdon Road - Para. 12(f)

e Clerk reported that the County Area Engineer had confirmed at he would deal with the hole but Mr. Stimpson said that it d not yet been attended to and it was very deep and zardous for pedestrians. solved that the Clerk seek immediate attention to the fault the County Council Area Engineer.

Applications for Permission to Carry Out Development:

(a) The Council had before it the following Applications ceived from the Vale of the White Horse District Council for nsultation and Considered by the Planning Committee

	<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
RA/9498/ 1-CA	Demolition of Chimney Stack, "Bradfields", 7, Gravel Lane.	Recommend Approval
AR/SUT 12063	Change to Cooling System, Proposed Didcot "B" Power Station.	No Comments
RA/3113/ 6	Demolish Existing house, Erect two houses with garages, 17, East-Way.	No Objections
RA/2330/ 1	Erect Mobile Home Park Office and Accommodation, East-Way.	-do-
AR/11294/ 3 AMENDED	Erect Dwelling, 28, Suttonwick Lane.	Recmnd. Refusal

n respect of Application DRA/3113/6 the Clerk reported cept by the Parish Council of copy of representation made o the District Council Planning Authority by Mr. Wilde, of l, East-Way and with regard to DAR/11294/3 (AMENDED) copy of epresentation made to the Planning Authority by Ms. Bobbett and Mr. Ellis of 26, Sutton Wick. solved to confirm the Planning Committee's action and, n respect of DRA/3113/6, to support the views of Mr. Wilde e regarding removal of an existing mobile home and filling in of a cess pit.

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(b) The Council had before it the following Planning Decision Notice Received from the District Council;

	<u>Prop. Development</u>	<u>Par. Co. Rcmndtn.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
DRA/13747	Two Storey Extension, 15, Crabtree Lane.	No Objection	Permit

Resolved to note the Decision of the Local Planning Authority.

(c) Approved Development at 3, Church Lane - DRA/8702/5
 With reference to Min. 5(c) of the 5th September, 1994, the Clerk reported that the District Council had responded to the Parish Council's comments by saying that the Parish Council had not been consulted on amendment of the plans for the proposed development because only slight variation in dwelling roof heights was proposed. The Parish Council was then immediately invited to comment on this, but only sent revised plans, without the original for comparison and also told urgent response was required because the matter would soon go before the District Council's Planning Committee. When told that Parish Council consideration and response was not possible in the "time scale", the reaction was that the Committee would be reminded of the Parish Council's basic opposition to the proposed Development. Information had subsequently been received that the Planning Committee had approved roof height variations for the proposed Development but it was also understood that a completely fresh application was to be made for the Site, because the intended developer was now "selling the site on" to another Company, which had its own independent proposals.
Resolved to note the position.

(d) Changed "Pub Sign", the Red Lion Public House
 With reference to Min. 5(e) of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported response from the District Council Planning Department that approval for a sign change was not necessary if it only involved variation of the character represented and not the size or illumination of the display area itself.
Resolved to note the position.

(e) Apparent Development, 17, Sutton Wick Lane
 Mr. Stimpson reported that what seemed to be extensive building alterations were being carried out at 17, Sutton Wick Lane but he could not recall the Parish Council being consulted regarding a development application.
Resolved that the Clerk ascertain from the District Council Planning Department whether the work being undertaken was a matter for consultation and development approval.

(f) Parish Councils "Planning Evening"
 The Clerk reported that the District Council had arranged a meeting, at Wantage Civic Centre, at 7.30p.m. on Wednesday, 1st November next, to enable Parish Council representatives to
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discuss planning matters with District Council Officials.
resolved that the Parish Council be represented at the Meeting
by Mr. Stimpson and Mr. Thomas.

Parish Council Centenary

With reference to Min. 4(a) of the previous meeting, Mr. Stimpson reported that the use of Drayton Hall had been booked for Tuesday, 3rd January, 1995, which would be the centenary date of the Council's first meeting. He had prepared a local "photographic quiz" for the event and also an invitation card for printing and use; it was proposed the latter would be accompanied by a letter from the Clerk inviting loan of local historic items for display during the evening. Mr. Stimpson is now giving consideration to the refreshment arrangements. resolved to thank Mr. Stimpson for and confirm the action taken by him.

The Council had before it the following Accounts for approval for Payment:

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F. Green-Hedge/Grasscutting/Litter Clearance, Sept.	180.54
Copy-Cat Services - Agenda Printing	11.05
Clerk- Salary (£212.42) & Expenses (£29.16) October)	
Post (£14.36) Tel. Calls (£12.70) June-Aug.)	268.64
Drayton Hall - Room Hire, July-September	18.00
F. R. Green-Village Caretaker duties, September	20.00
Thomas and Jarvis-Burial Ground Path replacement	1838.28

With reference to the Account from Messrs. Thomas and Jarvis, the Clerk reported that seven full width cracks had appeared in the newly laid area of concrete path. resolved that the Accounts be approved for payment, with the exception of that of Messrs. Thomas and Jarvis and the Company invited to comment on the condition of their path work.

Play/Recreation Ground Matters

(a) "Cycle Shed" Facility at Recreation Ground

With reference to Min. 7(b) of the previous meeting, Mr. Thomas reported that he had spoken to Mr. Alston of the Football Club and had ascertained that the Club would be happy with re-instatement of the Shed on the Recreation Field, provided it did not interfere with use of the Football pitch. The Clerk advised that he had been informed by Mr. Fleming, Chairman of the Hall and Recreation Ground Committee that it had not originally been intended that the Shed be removed from the Field together. The concern had been about its proximity to the Hall and the consequent damage to windows of the Building. resolved that Mr. Thomas would consult with Mr. Alston and Mr. Ordey with the Drayton Hall Committee on re-instatement of the Shed at a spot it had previously occupied, which should prove to be the most satisfactory location. Cont/.....5...

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(b) Play Area Equipment

Further to Min. 7(c) of the previous meeting, Mrs. Mole reported that the Clerk had ascertained that turf was regarded to be a suitable "safe play" surface for a "See-Saw" if the height it rose to was not in excess of one metre. Enquiries are in hand to establish whether Mr. Herring, M.R.H. Services is satisfied that this would apply to the see-saw awaiting installation and, if so, the work agreed would be put in hand. Resolved to note the position.

(c) Faults at Lyford Close Play Area

Mr. Stimpson reported that the Gate hinge at the Lyford Close Play Area required attention. Also, the slide section mounted on earth retained some water on its bend, following rain. Resolved that Mr. Herring, M.R.H. Services, be requested to repair the Gate and also attend to the problem of water retention on the Slide.

(d) Improper Uses of Drayton Hall Recreation Ground

The Clerk reported that the Chairman of the Hall Management Committee, Mr. Fleming, had informed him that the residents of properties in Steventon Road now appeared to make use of the Recreation Ground to access their properties and the Hall Committee was opposed to any formal agreement on this. The Clerk added that Mr. Fleming had been told that the Council had not authorised access use of the Recreation Ground and regarded prior responsibility for control of this to rest with the Hall Committee. In the discussion of this matter concern was also expressed about use of the Recreation Ground for golf practice, because of the hazard of persons being hit by balls. Resolved to adopt a proposal by Mr. Caudle that an item be published in the Drayton Chronicle on the undesirability of golf and any other hazardous uses of the Recreation Ground.

Maintenance of "Rights of Way"

(a) Meeting of Footpaths Committee

In reference to Min. 10(a) of the previous meeting, Dr. Bell, Chairman of the Footpaths Committee, submitted and explained a report, (copy appended to the Minute Book record of these minutes), of a meeting of the Committee held on the 8th September, 1994.

Resolved to confirm and adopt, as appropriate, the Resolutions contained in the Report of the Footpaths Committee Meeting and in this respect, with regard to Resolution:

1.1 to note that Mr. N. Green had been requested to attend to the work required on "Core Paths" and to consult the Councillor Mr. Caudle on this.

1.3, further consideration of a tarmac or concrete path at FP25 would be undertaken in relation to the Council's budget making process for 1995/96. Cont/...../6....

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- (iii) 2.1 communication would be made to the County Council Chief Executive, who would be informed that the Parish Council was prepared to make personal representation to the appropriate County Council Committee, if necessary.
- (iv) 3.1 communication would be made to Mr. Ian Burgess after the current position had been ascertained from Mr. Butt of the role of White Horse District Council Planning Department.
- (v) 4.1 to allocate to Members of the Parish Council forthwith (done) responsibility for survey of specific "rights of way"; their findings to be reported at the Council's next meeting.

(b) Blocked State of Footpath 18, at Sutton Wick Lane
 The Clerk referred to the Council's decision, at Min.13(b) of the Meeting on the 4th July, 1994, to request the County Council's Fieldpaths Section to take action in respect of the blocking of Footpath 18. Response had not yet been received from the County Council but now a communication had been received from Mr. K. Ellis of 26, Sutton Wick Lane, raising objection to the blocked state of Path 18 and offering to lead Working Party to clear the Path.
 Resolved that the Clerk press the County Council Fieldpaths Section for action with regard to Footpath 18.

Burial Ground Management

(a) Path Replacement Works
 With reference to Min. 8(a) of the previous meeting, the Council noted that Messrs. Thomas and Jarvis had completed the work, (as discussed at Para. 6 of these Minutes).

(b) Application to Plant Memorial Tree
 With reference to Min. 8(b) of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported response from Mrs. Saunders that she was prepared to accept the Council's suggestion that she plant a suitable tree, at a boundary location, as a memorial to her Father.
 Resolved that Mr. Caudle and the Clerk would liaise on identifying a boundary spot for Mrs. Saunders consideration.

Allotment Gardens Management

With reference to Min. 9 of the previous meeting, the Council considered the following matters:
 (a) Improved Water Supply
 It was noted, with appreciation, that the Allotment Holders had now completed the trench digging and that installation of the additional water supply point could now be undertaken.
 (b) "Rotovation" of Badly Overgrown Plots
 The Clerk reported receipt of a quotation from Mr. Green, in the total sum of £84, to undertake rotovation of three badly sited and overgrown plots./Cont/....7

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olved not to proceed with acceptance of the quotation until ascertaining what currently cultivated plots were likely to become available in the Spring of 1995, because of Plot-holders terminating their use of them.

Proposed Thames Water Reservoir, South West of Abingdon

Bell (as District Councillor) reported for information on presentation recently made to the District Council by the Regional Rivers Authority, which indicated that declining water demand and improved control of leakage from the current supply system, made the need for a new major reservoir south of Abingdon less likely. It had been concluded that any proposal by Thames Water to continue with such a prospect would now be validly questioned on the "not needed" basis. Caudle reported that G.A.R.D. (the local Group Against the Reservoir Development) remained very concerned about the impact on property values, because of the continuing uncertainty regarding a reservoir development and was favouring to get Thames Water to reveal more information regarding its long term plans. I resolved to note the position.

Communications Received

- Clerk reported details of items received, as follow:
 - (a)Old Water Stand-Points in Village - Letter from Mr. K. [unclear], 26, Sutton Wick Lane, regarding historic value of the Stand-Points and suggesting that they be protected by a Preservation Order.
 - (b)Vale of White Horse District Council Leisure Survey - Question and Answer" proforma, regarding local facilities, received from the District Council and completed by the Clerk.
 - (c)Footway Repairs to be Undertaken in High Street - Informatory notice from County Engineer.
 - (d)Oxfordshire Rural Community Council - Notice of Annual Meeting on 5th October.
 - (e)Council for Protection of Rural England, Oxfordshire Branch - Notice of Annual Meeting on 20th October.
 - (f)Dalton Barracks Airfield - Notice from Army Station Officer on planned uses of Airfield 1st Oct.-31st Jan., 1995.
 - (g)Local Councils Review, September, 1994 Issue - items of interest to the Council.
- I resolved to note the communications and in respect of:
- (a)to request the District Council, as owner of the Stand-Points to consider protecting them by "Preservation Order".
 - (b)to confirm the response made by the Clerk to the survey.

Matters Raised by Councillors:

Matters were raised which required immediate attention.
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4. Next Meeting

Resolved to confirm that the Council's next meeting be on Monday 7th November, 1994.

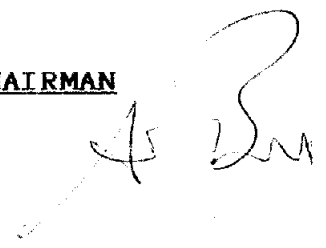
5. Confidential Business

Resolved that the Press and Public be excluded from the remaining business of the Meeting because of the special and private nature of the matter to be discussed.

6. Employment of "Village Caretaker"

Resolved that the Minutes of the Confidential Business discussed on the 5th September, 1994, be approved and signed by the Chairman.

CHAIRMAN



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DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL - FOOTPATHS COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held at Old Lodge, Drayton, on 8th September, 1994.

Present:

- Mr Dr R A Bell (Chairman)
- Mr Mrs B Bell
- Mr J Caudle

Core paths.

Core paths are:

- 25. Henleys Lane to Gravel Lane.
- 14. Church Lane to Sutton Wick Lane, and
- 15. Gravel Lane to High Street.

It was agreed that, although the muddy condition of these paths had been exaggerated, immediate action should be taken to improve them and that they should be regularly maintained in the future.

The desirability or otherwise of providing a hard surface (tarmac or concrete) for these paths to replace the existing compacted gravel was considered. On balance, the Committee felt that this would be justified for FP 25 as it is a heavily used pedestrian thoroughfare but for the others should continue as at present. In particular, the cross-field part of FP 15 should be left as grass.

RESOLVED:

To write to Dr Davies asking him to prune his trees and shrubs which are encroaching on FP 15.

In accordance with powers delegated by the last full Council meeting, Cllr Caudle to immediately put in hand the clearing and surface improvement of the core paths.

To recommend Council to consider providing a tarmac or concrete surface for FP 25.

To recommend Council to adopt a rolling programme for the regular maintenance of the core paths at least to the extent of a regular Agenda item appearing at the next meeting.

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2. Modification Orders

The Council currently has two applications to the County Council for Modification Orders outstanding. These are to add the following Rights of Way to the Definitive Map:

- (1) Footpath from Binning Close to Eastway and (11) Bridleway from Sutton Wick Lane to Gypsy Lane.

The former is open and in regular use; the latter is blocked by a locked gate and mounds of debris. Both applications have been favourably determined by the County Council but orders to bring them into effect have not yet been made.

Dr Bell reported that he had been in touch with the County Council who said that, because of volume of work, these orders would be combined with a package of other orders and made probably during 1997. It is planned to present one such order per year. The Vale was last done in 1993 (we just missed that one); West Oxfordshire was done in 1994; Cherwell is planned for 1995; and Oxford City in 1996. The County regards it as impossible to improve on this timescale without extra financial and personnel resources.

The County also advised that it would be open to the Parish to request the County to physically clear and make open the Sutton Wick to Gypsy Lane Bridleway in advance of the order being made. The County might agree to do this if it was convinced that the evidence for the existence of a Right of Way was overwhelming.

The Committee discussed these issues and

RESOLVED

2.1 To write to the County Council expressing its disquiet about the excessive time delays in making the orders, and

2.2 To advise the Parish Council to keep under review the possibility of asking the County to pre-emptively open up the Sutton Wick Lane to Gypsy Lane path but to refrain from doing so at present.

3. Diversion of FP 12

Footpath 12 is currently blocked by the sewage works and to the extent that use is dangerous, by the golf course. The Diversion agreed with the golf course developers is supported by the Parish Council since it would link with

permissive Path to Milton. Since this arose as a planning matter, it is being dealt with by the Vale District Council (Paul Butt).

The diversion is being held up because Mr Humphreys, who has recently bought some of the land from the County Council, has objected. The Vale has proposed a small (and quite acceptable) change that would take the path over Thames Water's land rather than Mr Humphreys. Thames Water have objected to this. It is the Vale's view that since Thames Water appear to have been criminally guilty of years of obstructing the path with the sewage works, it is Thames Water who ought to concede. Therefore, the committee:

SOLVED

To write to Mr Ian Burgess of Oxfordshire County Council at Countryside Service, Library Service HO, Holton, Oxford, OX9 1QQ, expressing the Council's concern at the delay over this diversion and urging him to put pressure on Thames Water to agree to the Vale's suggested route.

Annual "State of the Paths" audit.

The current state of the paths was discussed with a view to considering effecting improvements to their condition. It was agreed that a survey needs to be done to find out their condition and that such a survey should become an annual event. It was, therefore:

SOLVED

To recommend Council to carry out an immediate survey of the state of all Rights of Way in the Parish prior to deciding on what action, if any, needs taking to maintain them in satisfactory condition. Action on Dr Bell to suggest groupings of paths for walking by volunteer Councillors.

To recommend Council to institute an annual "State of the Paths" audit which would report to the annual Village Assembly.

There being no other business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

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PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

The Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on Monday, 7th November, 1994, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 7.30p.m.

Present: Councillors Mr. Bax (Chairman), Mrs. Barlow, Mr. Caudle, Mrs. Bell, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lewis, Mrs. Mole, Mr. Pardey, Mr. Stimpson and Mr. Thomas.
The Member of the Public, (Mr. Cox of Hilliat Fields), was also present.

Public Participation - British Telecom Poles installed at Hilliat Fields

Mr. Cox complained to the Parish Council about recent action taken by British Telecom in installing new telephone line poles in Hilliat Fields, without prior consultation and resulting in some cases in residents suffering loss of amenity, because of poles being in direct line of sight from lounge windows. Mr. Cox said that a British Telecom official had attended, following Resident's complaints and had promised siting of the poles but this had not yet been done.
The Clerk reported that he had received complaint on this matter on the evening of the 24th October last, from Mr. D. Smith of 20, Hilliat Fields. Because of this, on the 25th October, he had contacted the County Council Area Engineer's Office and ultimately a British Telecom official and had arranged for that official to visit the Estate and see complainants, on the 26th October, (as reported by Mr. Cox).
The Clerk added that he would again take the matter up with British Telecom representative.

Apologies for Absence

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

Resignation of Councillor Mr. Johnathan Caudle

The Chairman reported receipt by him, immediately prior to the meeting, of a letter from Mr. Caudle (present), notifying his intention to resign from the Council, with effect from the following day, 8th November, because he would shortly be moving home, to an address outside the Parish.

The proposal of Mr. Stimpson, seconded by the Chairman and with the unanimous agreement of the Meeting, the Chairman proposed, to be placed on record, the Council's regret at Mr. Caudle's resignation and its appreciation of the keen and conscientious service he had given to the Council and the amenity during his time as a Parish Councillor.

The Clerk also thanked Mr. Caudle for the ever willing assistance he had given to him, in his duty of supervision of the Council's affairs.

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Further, the Council noted the Clerk's comments that Mr. Caudle's resignation would require Public Notice to be given of the vacancy in the Council's Membership. If this Notice did not result in an "Election Petition" being made by local electors the Council would be able to co-opt a local person to fill the vacancy.

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 3rd October, 1994, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

5. Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

(a) Pedestrian Crossing Need, Abingdon Road - Para. 3(d)

The Clerk reported that the County Council Road Safety Manager had now replied with precise details of the survey's findings (which he repeated to the Council) and the fact that it had been carried out on Thursday, 9th September, 1993.

Resolved that the County Council Road Safety Manager be notified of the Council's disappointment that the survey details were not recent and be requested to arrange an up-to-date assessment, because of the apparent increased through traffic use of the B4017 road in the Village, as a consequence of A34 Trunk Road and local industrial circumstances.

Further, the Road Safety Manager be asked to state the "threshold" data, for judgement of crossing need.

(b) Hole In Footway, Abingdon Road - Para. 3(e)

The Council noted a report by the Clerk that the County Area Engineer had now responded with the information that the hole had been attended to.

(c) Old Water "Stand-Points" - Para. 12(a)

The Clerk reported that response had been received from the District Council Environmental Planning and Conservation Officer, stating that, attractive as they were, he did not believe that the "stand-points" would meet the Department of National Heritage criteria for listing, or this would have been previously applied. He "wondered if there is any specific threat to the stand-points which prompted the request for listing".

The Clerk added that Mr. Ellis, who had raised the matter of Preservation Order protection for the "stand-points" had pointed out that, in addition to the one in High Street and the two in Church Lane, there was one in Sutton Wick Lane, adjacent to the barn in the vicinity of his home.

Resolved that the District Council be requested, (in the interest of preventing further damage or destruction of the "stand-points", which were probably once greater in number), to examine whether they can receive Preservation Order protection.

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Applications for Permission to Carry Out Development:

(a) The Council had before it the following Applications received from the Vale of the White Horse District Council for consultation and considered by the Planning Committee

No	Proposed Development	Recommendation
DRA/13833	Erect Extension & Construct Drive-way, 13, Steventon Road.	Approval
DRA/8928/2	Erect Bungalow, Land at 19, East Way.	Not decided

The Clerk reported that the Planning Committee had not reached a majority decision in respect of the East-Way application. Further, a letter had been received from Mr. Broad, of 9, East-Way expressing disapproval of the continuing development of land at East-Way and the consequence of this for increased traffic use of the Bridle-way, to the detriment of recreational uses. Mr. Broad also complained about the nuisance caused by constant manure burning, at a previously permitted Equine Convalescent Home development.

Resolved to

(i) confirm the Planning Committee's action in respect of application DRA/13833.

(ii) oppose the proposed development on land at 19, East-Way and recommend that the District Council refuse the application as being "tandem" type over-intensive development of the land at the location and which would add to the inherent problem of vehicle traffic use of the Bridle-Way.

(iii) advise Mr. Broad to communicate with the District Council Environmental Services Department regarding the nuisance of manure burning at the Equine premises.

(b) The Council had before it the following Planning Decision Notice Received from the District Council;

No	Prop. Development	Par. Co. Rcmndtn.	Decision
DRA/8702/5	Demolish Outbldg.,	Refusal	Permit
AMENDED	Erect 3 Houses, etc., Land at 3, Church Lane.		
DRA/8702/6	Demolish Outbldg.,	No Objection	-do-
CA	(re. preceding appln.)		
DRA/9498/1	Demolish Chimney	Approval	-do-
CA	Stack, 7, Gravel Lane.		
DRA/3113/6	Demolish extg. house, erect two houses, etc., 17, East-Way.	No Objection	-do-
DRA/11294/3	Erect new Dwelling, 28, Sutton Wick Lane.	Refusal	-do-
DRA/13833	Erect Extension and Construct Drive-way, 13, Steventon Road.	Approval	-do-

Resolved to note the Local Planning Authority Decisions.
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(c)Didcot B Power Station - Planning Application SUT/12063

- Site Lay-out Details

The Clerk submitted site plans, received from the District Council, for any observations the Parish Council might have. Resolved not to make any comments on the Lay-out Plans.

(d)Development, 17, Sutton Wick Lane

With reference to Min. 4(e) of the previous meeting, the Council noted a report by the Clerk on a communication from the District Council which stated that planning consent was not required for the work at 17, Sutton Wick Lane.

(e)Parish Councils' Planning Evening

The Council noted reports by Mr. Stimpson and Mr. Thomas on their attendance at the Meeting on the 2nd November last. Principal matters of interest raised were that hedge heights were not subject to planning control and the District Council approved 86% of development applications received.

7. Parish Council Centenary

With reference to Min. 5 of the previous meeting, Mr. Stimpson reported that the Invitation Cards for the Reception and letters to accompany them had now been prepared and were being dispatched. Further, arrangements had been made to purchase bottles of wine from the Hall Bar, at a competitive price and the Bar would make its glasses available for use, without charge.

Resolved to thank Mr. Stimpson and confirm the action taken by him.

8. Financial Matters:

(a)Transfer of Funds

Resolved to approve the proposal by the Clerk that £2,500 be transferred from the Council's T.S.B. Current Account to its National Savings Bank Investment Account and that a cheque be issued accordingly.

(b)Payment of Messrs. Thomas and Jarvis Account for Burial Ground Footpath Works

With reference to Min. 6 of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported a communication from Messrs. Thomas and Jarvis, on action taken to deal with the cracks in the concrete and giving assurance that the Firm would respond to any need to give the Council satisfaction in this respect.

Resolved that Messrs. Thomas and Jarvis account, in the sum of £1838.28p, be now paid.

(c)Accounts for Approval for Payment

The Council had before it the following Accounts, due for Cont/.....5/...

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Payment:	£
F. Green - Litter Clearance, October	18.36
Poppy-Cat Services - Printing, October	16.33
Clerk- Salary (£212.42) & Expenses (£29.16) November	241.58
Wywell Press - Printing re. Centenary Event	64.63

Resolved that the Accounts be approved for payment.

(d) Donation - Royal British Legion "Poppy Day" Appeal
 Resolved that a donation of £30 be made to the 1994 "Poppy Day" Appeal.

(e) Communications Regarding Financial Contributions
 The Clerk reported on communications received from the Bedfordshire Playing Fields Association, on the matter of Parish Councils' annual contributions and from the Council for Protection of Rural England, seeking contribution support for a campaign of opposition to "set-a-side" farming.
 Resolved that

- (i) the Playing Fields Association communication be referred for the information of the Finance Committee, in respect of the Council's 1995/96 Budget.
- (ii) a contribution not be made to the C. P. R. E. Campaign.

(f) Parish Council Elections, 1995
 The Clerk reported a communication from the District Council, advising the Parish Council, for Budget purposes, on the possible Election costs in 1995.
 Resolved that the communication be referred for Finance Committee consideration in respect of the 1995/96 Budget.

Play/Recreation Ground Matters

(a) "Cycle Shed" Facility at Recreation Ground
 With reference to Min. 7(a) of the previous meeting, the Council noted that it had not yet been possible for Mr. Pardey and Mr. Thomas to complete their discussions with representatives of other bodies, on resiting of the Shed.

(b) Play Area Equipment
 Further to Min. 7(b) of the previous meeting, the Council noted a report from Mrs. Mole that it had not been possible to date to discuss installation of the equipment with Mr. Herring.

"Rights of Way"

With reference to Min. 8 of the previous meeting and subsequent communications and actions in respect of:
 - Application Order Applications; Diversion of Footpath 12;
 - Surveys Undertaken by Councillors and Obstruction of Footpath
 the Council agreed that because of the absence from the meeting of Dr. Bell, Footpaths Committee Chairman, the business be deferred to the next Council meeting. /6...

Burial Ground Management - Memorial Tree Planting

With reference to Min. 9(b) of the previous meeting, the Council noted a report by the Clerk that provisional agreement had been made with the Vale of White Horse District Council and Mrs. Saunders that the District Council would, when this winter undertaking amenity tree planting in the Parish, plant a tree, suitable to Mrs Saunders' memorial needs, at a suitable location at the Burial Ground. The cost for this tree planting would then be charged to Mrs. Saunders.

Allotment Gardens Management

With reference to Min. 10 of the previous meeting, the Council received reports on the following matters:

(a) Improved Water Supply

Mr. Caudle reported that installation of the new supply had been completed, subject to mains supply connection.

(b) Availability of Workable Plots

The Clerk reported communication with Mr. Currey, who had moved from Drayton and confirmation from him that he would be relinquishing two cultivated plots in the Spring of 1995. It was resolved to note the position with regard to (a) and (b) and in respect of the latter to not, for the present, proceed with "rehabilitation" of unused badley overgrown plots

Review of Local Government in Oxfordshire

With reference to Min. 4(b) of the 5th September last, the Clerk reported receipt from the Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils, of communications (including a copy of the Commission's report to the Secretary of State), on the Local Government Commission's Final Recommendations on its review of Local Government organisation, in Oxfordshire, the principal proposal being:

"There should be no change in the existing Local Government structure in Oxfordshire".

The Clerk circulated to all Councillors a copy of an extract from the Commission's report which concluded with a further recommendation that:

"There should be an enhanced consultative role for all Parish and Town Councils".

It was resolved to note the reports on the Local Government Commission recommendations.

Communications Received

The Clerk reported details of items received, as follow:

(a) Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils Circular 4/94

(b) 50th Anniversary of Victory in Europe, 8th May, 1995 -

letter from Royal British Legion, inviting Parish Council representation at a meeting to plan to mark the occasion.

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(c) Cleaning of Abingdon Road Bus Shelter - Notice to Clerk from Mr. R. Sharpe, of 17, Abingdon Road, that, with regret, was unable to continue his attention to the Shelter. He had been thanked for his past services.

(d) Oxfordshire County Council Area Engineer - Ref. n. 11(f) of the 5th September last - Letter from the County Engineer, notifying the appointment of Mr. Brian Short to the post of Area Engineer.

(e) Waste Disposal Operations - Letter from County Engineer contractual arrangements made with a private company for provision of the Drayton Household Waste Disposal Centre.

Resolved to note the communications received and in respect of (a) to, (i) obtain for Parish Council appointed Charity trustee reference, copies of the Leaflet "Charities and Local Authorities"; (ii) to notify the National Blood Authority (with copy to the Oxford Community Health Council) of the Parish Council's support for continuation of the Oxford Blood Transfusion Service; (iii) approve the purchase, at the discretion of the Clerk, of a copy of the latest edition of Charles Arnold-Baker's publication "Local Council Administration".

(b) not to nominate a representative for the British Legion meeting to plan for Victory in Europe Anniversary events.

Matters Raised by Councillors:

(a) Overgrown Hedge, Impeding Footpath Use
Resolved that the Clerk communicate with the Occupier of 6, Steventon Road, in respect of a report by Mr. Stimpson that boundary hedge/shrubbery at the side of the property was restricting use of the adjoining footway.

(b) Faulty Street Light
Resolved that the Clerk would report for County Council attention a report by Mrs. Bell of a light in the vicinity of Steventon Road being out of order.

(c) "Friends of Drayton School" November "Fireworks" Event
Resolved not to adopt a proposal by Mr. Edwards that the Council consider giving future support to this Annual Event.

Future Meetings

Resolved to (a) confirm that the Council's next meeting be on Monday December, 1994. (b) agree that the Finance Committee meet on Monday, 12th December, 1994, to consider, for recommendation to the Council, the Budget and Precept arrangements for the Financial 1995/96.


CHAIRMAN

PARISH COUNCIL OF DRAYTON

The Minutes of the Meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on Monday, 5th December, 1994, at Drayton Hall, Lock-Way, at 3.30p.m..

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

Apologies for Absence

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

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 7th November, 1994, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

(a)British Telecom Poles, Hilliat Fields - Para.1

Council noted a report by the Clerk that he had spoken to British Telecom Official again about removal of the Poles, which were causing offence where sited and he had been assured that the Poles would be moved as soon as the necessary arrangements for men and equipment could be put in hand. The Clerk had passed this information to Mr. Cox.

(b)Pedestrian Crossing Need, Abingdon Road - Para.5(a)

Council noted a report by the Clerk of further response from the County Council Road Safety Manager, stating that although a traffic/pedestrian survey had not been carried out since 1993, indicating increased vehicle traffic since 1992, County Council was satisfied that had this rate of increase been maintained through to 1994, the levels of pedestrian crossing movements would still not reach the thresholds specified by the Department of Transport.

(c)Old Water "Stand-Points" - Para.5(c)

Clerk reported that further response had been received from the District Council Environmental Planning and Conservation Officer, stating that the Parish Council could itself apply to the Department of National Heritage for the "standpoints" to be listed and, although he himself did not consider this likely, he would endeavour to take steps for the "standpoints" to be repaired and painted.

Resolved that the Parish Council itself apply to the Department of Heritage for consideration of the "standpoints" being recorded by Protection Order "listing" and Mr. Stimpson and the Clerk would collate the detail for this Application.

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(d) Donation to "Poppy Day" Appeal - Para. 8(d)

The Council noted a report by the Clerk on a letter of thanks from the Royal British Legion for the Council's donation.

(e) Memorial Tree Planting - Min. 11

The Clerk reported that together with Mrs. Saunders he had met Mr. Matten of the District Council at the Burial Ground and agreed a location in the vicinity of Mrs. Saunders' Father's Grave, where Mr. Matten thought a suitable tree could be planted within the District Council's Amenity Planting Programme. Mr. Matten had also said that Mrs. Saunder's would not be required to pay for the tree if the Parish Council was content for her to regard it as a memorial to her Father. Mrs. Saunder's understood that she would have to meet the cost of a memorial plaque and register this with the Parish Council's memorial records. She was prepared to give maintenance attention to the tree in its early growth stage. Resolved to accept that Mrs. Saunders be permitted to adopt, without charge, a tree, planted within the District Council's Amenity Programme, as a memorial to her Father, subject to her being financially responsible for a memorial plaque.

Casual Vacancy in Membership of the Council

With reference to Min. 3 of the previous meeting, the Clerk reported that an "Election Petition" had not been submitted to the District Council as a result of publication of the vacancy. The Council could therefore fill the vacancy by co-opting a local elector to Council Membership. One person had already applied for consideration of this and the Chairman had put notice in the Drayton Chronicle requesting interested persons to contact the Clerk.

Resolved that the Council would co-opt a local person to Parish Council Membership at its meeting on the 9th January next and applicants be invited to attend the meeting for interview and also previously submit to the Clerk details, (restricted to one A4 page size), of their personal background, duration of association with Drayton and their reason for wishing to join the Council.

Parish Council Centenary

Mr. Stimpson reported on proposed refreshment, quiz and display arrangements made for the Council's Centenary Reception at Drayton Hall on Tuesday, 3rd January, 1995. Resolved that

- (a) Mr. Stimpson be thanked for all of his work toward preparation of the Centenary Reception and also be given authority for expenditure to the level of £400.
- (b) all Members of the Council be at Drayton Hall at 7p.m. on the 3rd January, to be available for "host" duties on arrival of the Council's Guests at 7.30p.m. /3....

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Applications for Permission to Carry Out Development:

(a) The Council had before it the following Applications received from the Vale of the White Horse District Council for Consultation and Considered by the Planning Committee;

<u>No</u>	<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
DRA/445/12	Construction of Studio/ Workshops. Change use of Drayton Mill & House to Restaurant/ Conference Building - Renewal of Permission Granted 1990.	Approval
DRA/7834/1	Install Dormer Windows, 29, Crab Tree Lane.	-do-
DRA/2330/1 AMENDED	Erection of Mobile Home Park Office & Accommodation. Demolish Existing Buildings, East-Way, Drayton.	Refuse if Applicant not required to improve access road.
DRA/8702/7	Erection of three Houses, land adjoining, 3, Church Lane, by Berkeley Homes (Oxford) Ltd..	Refuse

In connection with this Application the Clerk reported letters of objection received by the Parish Council from Mrs. Wade of 44, Henleys Lane and from Messrs. Cole and Cole, Solicitors, on behalf of Miss Willis-Dixon of 48, Henleys Lane.

Resolved that the Planning Committee Decisions be confirmed and in respect of Application DRA/8702/7 the District Council be informed of the Parish Council's support for the representations of Mrs. Wade and Miss Willis-Dixon.

(b) The Council had before it the following Application Received from Oxfordshire County Council for Consultation and Considered by the Planning Committee;

<u>No</u>	<u>Proposed Development</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
CO. CO. S. 4/4995/1.5 AMENDED	Operation and Restoration of Landfill Site, J. C. Waste Ltd., Sutton Wick.	No Objection

Resolved that the Planning Committee Decision be confirmed.

(c) Didcot "B" Power Station (SUT/12063) - Landscaping

The Council noted a report by the Clerk on a communication from the Vale of White Horse District Council giving details of the availability, for public inspection, of Site Plans.

7. Financial Matters:

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

N. F. Green - Litter Clearance, November	£ 18.36
Copy-Cat Services - Printing, November	14.04
Thames Water-Burial Ground Water Supply, Jun-Nov.	24.27
Clerk- Salary (£216.65) & Expenses (£29.16) December	
Salary Arrears, July-November (£21.15)	266.96
M. R. H. Services - Play Area Inspection, October	13.00
Drayton Chronicle - Subscription for 1995	5.00
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Min. 7(a)Cont/.....
 With reference to his Salary, the Clerk explained that the change in the monthly rate and arrears were the result of the 1994 review of Clerks' Salaries, the decision in respect of which (effective from the 1st July, 1994) had been issued by the Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils on the 15th November last and copy given to the Council Chairman. Resolved that the Accounts be approved for payment.

(d) Grant Aid Sought by G. A. R. D. (Group Against Reservoir Development)

The Clerk reported on a letter from the Vale of White Horse District Council asking whether the Parish Council had agreed financial assistance to G. A. R. D., toward the Group carrying out an Environmental Survey in relation to the Thames Water Company proposed Reservoir, affecting the Drayton Area. He noted that a negative response had been given but a letter had also been received from G. A. R. D. stating that it had been given a Grant of £4,000 by the District Council and was seeking additional assistance from the Parish Councils for St Hanney, Marcham, Steventon and Drayton. Resolved that the Clerk ascertain more precise information in respect of the G. A. R. D. application, for initial consideration by the Finance Committee at its meeting on the 12th December.

Play/Recreation Ground Matters

(a) Shed Facility at Drayton Hall Recreation Ground

In reference to Min. 9(a) of the previous meeting, Mr. Pardey reported that he had now had opportunity to discuss the matter with the Drayton Hall and Recreation Ground Management Committee and it was opposed to the shed being re-sited on the Recreation Ground, because of past problems with its use, never located. Resolved having regard to the time of Year, to defer any further discussion of the subject until Spring 1995, when there may be cause to reconsider use of the Shed.

(b) Play Area Equipment

In reference to Min. 9(b) of the previous meeting, the Council noted support from Mr. Edwards, on behalf of Mrs. Mole that there was nothing to report at present regarding installation of the additional equipment items.

(c) Inspection of Play Areas Equipment

The Clerk reported details of an inspection of the Lock-Way Wyford Close Play Areas undertaken by M. R. H. Services in March, 1994. There were no recommendations for action. Resolved to note the position.

"Rights of Way"

In reference to Min. 8(a) of the meeting/5....

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On the 3rd October, 1994 and subsequent communications to the County Council with regard to process of Modification Order applications; Diversion of Footpath 12 and Obstruction of Footpath 18, the Clerk reported responses from:

1) the County Council Chief Executive, explaining why the Modification Orders concerning the Parish could not be published until late 1996 or early 1997 but also stating that in the interim the County's "Rights of Way" Unit had legal authority to deal with any impediments to the routes.

2) Ian Burgess, Field Officer, County Council "Rights of Way" Unit, stating that in respect of Footpath 12, Thames Water had agreed to incorporate the Path within the land ownership of their Drayton Water Treatment Works and it would be necessary for a revised Diversion Order application to be made to the District Council. With regard to the Obstruction of Footpath 18 by overgrowth, attention had now been given to this by the County Council "Countryside Tasks" Team.

Also, the Clerk reported query from Marcham Parish Council on the current situation with regard to diversion of Drayton to Marcham Bridle-Ways, a matter within the consideration of the Clerk of White Horse District Council.

Involved to

Note the communications received and in respect of Footpath 12 to request the County Council "Rights of Way" Unit to arrange further work on it, as its clearance had not been very extensive. Also, to request the Unit to give attention to the Drayton Wick to Gypsy Lane Bridle-Way, (which awaits Modification Order process) to ensure it is clearly available for pedestrian use.

Request Councillors who agreed at the Council's October meeting to survey local footpaths, to report their findings to Dr. Bell, The Footpaths Committee Chairman, by the end of November, to allow findings to be discussed at the Council's January 9th meeting.

Note that Dr. Bell would seek information from the District Council on the current situation in relation to diversion of Drayton to Marcham Bridle-Ways.

Drayton Parish Charities

The Clerk reported a communication from Mrs. S. Chambers, Drayton Parish Council nominated Trustee to Drayton Parish Charities, stating that she wished to relinquish her appointment on the 31st December, 1994 and requesting consideration of Mrs. C. [Name] of "Gothic House", High Street, Drayton, being appointed in her place.

Resolved that Mrs. Chambers be thanked for her services as a Parish Council appointed Trustee to Drayton Charities and that Mrs. [Name] be appointed in her stead, initially to the 2nd January, 1995, which will conclude the four year period of Mrs. Chambers appointment.6/....

Communications Received

Clerk reported details of items received, as follow:

(a) Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils Circular 5/94

(b) Enquiry from Mrs. L. Doig, of "Willows" House, Sutton

Wick Lane - Enquiring if Parish Council knew of ownership of Willow trees on the roadside verge near to her home, tree roots having damaged the foul drainage piping. The County Council as Highway Authority had declined to accept any responsibility.

(c) New Roads and Street Works Act, 1991 - Letter from the County Engineer, requesting Parish Council assistance with supervision of Contractor re-instatement of road works, by making early report of any defects.

(d) Vale of White Horse District Council Leisure Strategy - Consultative Draft for Parish Council comment by 30th December next.

(e) Oxfordshire Area Health Authority - Consultative Summets on Health Strategy for 1994-1999 and the Authority's Purchasing Intentions 1995/96 - For any Parish Council comment 31st December next.

Resolved to note the communications received and in respect of the Council has no information to assist Mrs. Doig.

Matters Raised by Councillors:

(a) Items for the Agenda of the Council's Next Meeting

Mr. Stimpson requested consideration by the Council of commemoration of 50 Year Anniversaries in 1995 of V.E. and 50 Days, 1945.

The Chairman requested an item on Consideration of application to the "Millennium Fund", for a Parish Project.

(b) Rubbish Dumped at High Street End of Gypsy Lane Adleway

Resolved that the Clerk arrange attention to a report by Mr. [Name] regarding the dumping of rubbish.

(c) Central Furniture Warehouse Signing, High Street

Resolved that the Clerk refer to the District Council Planning Department query by Mrs. Bell regarding the planning status of signing at the Warehouse premises.

Finance Committee

Resolved to confirm the arrangements for the Committee's meeting on the 12th December and that Mr. Pardey be appointed to the Committee (in the vacancy following the resignation of Councillor Caudle).

Meetings of the Council in 1995

Resolved that the Council's Meetings in 1995 be on Mondays, 9th; Feb. 6th; Mar. 6th; Apr. 3rd; May 15th*; June 5th; July 3rd; Aug. 7th; Sept. 4th.; Oct. 2nd; Nov. 6th; Dec. 4th. This Meeting be preceded by the Annual Parish Assembly).

CHAIRMAN