

At a meeting of the Begbroke Parish Council
held at the Barnatton House, Begbroke on the
13th February 1961.

Present

Mr E. Mace - Chairman
Mr J. Reed Mr R. Perry
Mr C. Quainton Mr C. P. Watkins

Minutes. The minutes of the last meeting were read
and confirmed

Caravans - Old Pit. The clerk reported the receipt of
a letter from Bloughley Rural District Council stating
that the District Council were being recommended
to commence proceedings against the owner, for permitting
the caravans to be stationed on the site without
authority.

Resolved - That the position be noted.

San Sewage Disposal Scheme - The clerk reported that
the Consulting Engineers had made provision in
the main drainage scheme for connecting Priory
Cottage and Priory House to the new sewers. Separate
laterals would be provided from the sewers on the east
side of Woodstock Road.

Bus Shelter. The Clerk reported that formal notification had
been received that the County Council were unable
to accede to the request to provide a Bus Shelter
under their fringe areas scheme. They were of the
opinion that the immediate fringe areas of Oxford did
not include Begbroke.

The Clerk also stated that the Area Planning Officer
would be getting in touch with the Chairman regarding

the site and type of shelter which could be erected in the village.

Street Lighting. The clerk stated that the Southern Electricity Board. had ordered the equipment for the installation of the new light near the entrance to the Rectory. It was stated that the work had not yet been carried out and it was decided to ask for the work to be carried out as soon as possible.

Definitive Map of Public Rights of Way. The Chairman stated that a small scale map, an extract from the County Definitive Map, had been received showing the footpaths which existed in the parish on the 1st January 1953. It was suggested that the paths be "walked" during the coming summer.

Precept. Resolved - That a precept of £50 be issued to Ploughley Rural District Council for the next financial year (£20 General £30 Lighting)

There were no accounts for payment

Femhill Road. It was stated that it was desirable that the remainder of Femhill Road should be made up as soon as possible and it was decided that the County Council should be approached accordingly.

W. M. M. M.
Chairman.

14/3/61

At a meeting of Begbroke Parish Council
held at the Village Hall, Begbroke on the 14th
March, 1961

Present.

Mr E. Mace. - Chairman
Mr G. Reed Mr C. P. Watkins
Mr C. Quainton Mr R. Perry.
Rev. Mr Cann - Rural District Councillor

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read
and confirmed

Caravans - Old Pit. The Council were informed that
the caravans had now been removed from the
Old Pit. It was

Resolved. That the pit be kept under observation
and the County Planning Committee requested to
consult the Parish Council on any applications
for development in the Old Pit.

New Sewage Disposal Scheme. The Chairman that two
further slight amendments had been made to the
Scheme in respect of Mrs Rogers & Palmer's premises

Bus Shelter. It was decided to endeavour to obtain
particulars of shelters and prices and cost of
erection, after the County Planning Committee had
indicated whether they would be prepared to approve
a shelter and the proposed situation. It was
also agreed that in due course the Bus Operator
be approached for a donation towards the cost
of the shelter.

Obstructed Footpath. It was reported that a footpath crossing the ^{weeds} near Research station had been obstructed.
Resolved - That arrangements be made for the path to be walked by members of the Council

Street Lighting. It was reported that the new lamp near the entrance to the Priory had not yet been erected

Financial Statement. The clerk reported that the The Financial Statements (Parishes) Regulations, 1961. had prescribed a new form of Annual Financial Statement for Audit and that he was arranging to obtain copies of the new form

Accounts Resolved - That the following account be paid
 SEB Street Lighting
 to 31/3/61 £3-3-0.

Resolved - That the next meeting be held on the 23rd May 1961.

Best Kept Village Competition 1961. The Chairman produced the Certificate he had received in respect of the 1960 Competition and it was
Resolved - To enter for the 1961 Competition

Embsay Road. It was decided to request the County Council to implement the provisions of the private Street Works Code as soon as possible

G. A. Grace
 Chairman
 23/5/61

At the Annual Parish Meeting for the Parish of Begbroke held at the Village Hall on the 14th March 1961 at 7.30 pm

Present.

Mr Evans Meare - Chairman
 Some 50 Local Government Electors for the Parish

The Minutes of the last Annual Parish were read and confirmed.

Definitive Map. The Chairman gave a short account of the proceedings which had now resulted in the preparation of the Definitive Map of rights of way in the parish. The deposited map showed 10 footpaths or rights of way.

Sewerage Scheme. The Chairman reported on the proposed Sewerage Scheme for the parish and stated that the amendments suggested at the recent public meeting had been incorporated into the Scheme.

New Street Lamp. The Chairman reported that an Order had been given for a new street light to be installed near the entrance to the Rectory.

Contribution to Village Hall Fund. Considerable discussion ensued as to whether or not the Parish Council should make a contribution towards the expenses of the Village Hall. It was stated it was extremely difficult to get voluntary support towards various money raising efforts and a 'few' had to carry on. In spite of the apparent good bank balance the Treasurer pointed out that the Hall had certain commitments amounting to approx £120 for lighting & fencing. It was pointed out that a 2d rate would not be a lot of use & that residents would not agree to a 6d rate. Once it was partly supported by the rates it was feared that voluntary efforts would cease. It was finally proposed, seconded and agreed that the matter be left to the Management Committee for the time being.

Bus Shelter. The Chairman outlined the position regarding this. It was suggested that if necessary a loan could be raised, and that if necessary another public meeting be called.

Evans Meare.

12/3/62 Chairman.

At a Meeting of Begbroke Parish Council held at the Cornation House, Begbroke on the 23rd May, 1961

Present.

Mr E Mace Mr R Perry
Mr G Reed Mr C. Quanten
Mr C Watkins

Rev McCann - Rural District Councillor

Appointment of Chairman It was proposed, seconded and unanimously agreed that Mr E Mace be elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

Appointment of Vice-Chairman. It was unanimously agreed that Mr C Quanten be elected Vice-Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

Minutes. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Barons - Old Pit. The Clerk reported the receipt of a letter from the County Planning Committee stating that they had recently considered an application for the erection of two detached dwelling houses on land forming part of the above site. The Council would be informed when a further comprehensive and detailed application had been submitted by the applicants, as the first application had been refused. The Committee would take into account any observations of the Parish Council.

Obstructed Footpath The Chairman reported that an obstruction on the footpath to Begbroke Hall Farm had now been removed.

Street Lighting. The Council were concerned that the new street light had not yet been erected and it was

Resolved - That a strong protest be forwarded to the District Manager of the Southern Electricity Board

Revised Charges. The Clerk reported that formal notice had been received that the Tariff in the agreement between the Southern Electricity Board and the Council would be amended as from the 31st March 1961.

Demand Charge. £7-15-0 will be increased to £9-7-6 per annum per KVA

Unit Charge. 1.075d will be reduced to 0.97d per Kilowatt-hour.

Private Street Works. The Clerk reported that the County Council were doing the best they could with regard to making up various streets in different parts of the County but there would be delays due to lack of staff. Fumhill Road would be attended to as soon as possible.

Resolved - That the matter be kept before the County Council.

Telephone Kiosk. The Clerk reported a letter from the Post Office Telephones stating that the question of a separate line to the Kiosk had not been overlooked.

Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act, 1960. The Clerk reported that this Act would come into force on 1 June 1960. It gives statutory rights of admission to the public to Council and certain Committee meetings. Reasons would have to be given why the public were to be excluded. Notices of meetings would have to be posted, but in the main it would not greatly affect the day to day working of the Council.

Death of Mr W.H. Geary. The Chairman reported the death of Mr. W.H. Geary the County Divisional Surveyor for the area. In view of the good relations which had always existed between Mr. Geary and the Council it was decided to express to Mrs Geary the Council's sympathy in her bereavement.

New Sewage Scheme. The Chairman reported that no further amendments had been made to the scheme and that an entry had been in the Best Kept Village Competition for 1961. In connection with this competition it was decided to ask the Divisional Surveyor to remove the stacks of hay which had been collected on the grass verges in the Parish.

Press Reports of Meetings. It was decided to request the Local Correspondent of the Oxford Times to endeavour to get a report of Parish Council's Meeting in the Oxford Times for the information of the public.

Bus Shelter. The Chairman reported that he had seen Mr Root of the County Planning Department who did not foresee any difficulty in the erection of a bus shelter. It would be subject to further consultations between various interested bodies. The position suggested was behind the existing slab and could include the wall. After a general discussion, Mr Perry offered to draft a design using imitation rock faced concrete blocks, and it was

Resolved - (1) That the Clerk be requested to obtain details of bus shelters manufactured by different firms

(2) That the four authorised Bus Operators using the route be invited to make a contribution

towards the cost of the shells

(iii) That if necessary a special meeting be held to consider the matter.

It was decided that the next meeting be held on the 18th July, 1961. at the Coronation House at 7.30 p.m.

Accounts - Resolved that the following accounts be paid.

Belcher's Salary to 22nd May 1961	£ 7-10-0
OAPC. Annual Subscription	2-2-0
Lamp post Insurance	5-0
Parish Council Review	5-6
Financial Statements	3-0
Hire of Village Hall to July 1961	2-0-0
Insurance on Seats	12-6
H. Jones - Treating seats	3-19-6
	<u>£ 16-17-6</u>

Miss Mace

Chairman
18/7/61.

At a meeting of the Begbroke Parish Council held at the Coronation House, Begbroke on the 18th July, 1961.

Present.

Mr. E. Mace - Chairman
 Mr. G. Reed Mr. R. Lenny
 Mr. G. Quaintan Mr. C. P. Watkins.

Minutes. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Street Lighting. The clerk reported the receipt of a letter from the Southern Electricity Board dated 9 June stating that the equipment for the new lamp had been delivered and that the lamp would be installed in good time for the next lighting season.

Private Street Works. The clerk reported that he had kept the question of making up Fernhill Road before the appropriate department of the County Council. He hoped that the work would be put higher in the list of schemes to be carried out.

Bus Shelter. The Council gave consideration to various types of Bus Shelters manufactured by different firms and after a lengthy discussion finally decided to get details of a modified layout of a Type H shelter made by E. W. Tyler & Co of Tonbridge. Consideration was also given to the site of the proposed shelter in between the garage and the shop, and it was agreed that Mr. Reed should meet Mrs. Skinner & the garage owner to discuss this question and the size of the shelter which could be placed there.

There were no accounts for payment

E. Mace

26/10/61. Chairman

At a meeting of the Begbroke Parish Council
held at The Coronation House, Begbroke on the
26th October, 1961

Present.

Mr E Mace - Chairman

Mr G Reed Mr R Perry

Mr B Quantin Mr C L Watkins

Minutes. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed after the deletion of the words "and the garage owners" from the paragraph relating to the Bus Shelter.

Street Lighting. The Chairman reported that the new street lamp had been installed near the Priory. It was suggested that some boughs near the lights needed removing and the owners had agreed to this Mr Perry & Mr Reed offered to remove the boughs

Lamp at Bus ^{Stop} Shelter. After some discussion it was agreed that the tree near this Bus ^{Stop} Shelter should be trimmed.

Maintenance. The Chairman was requested to enquire if the Southam Electricity Board were maintaining the lamps as required by the agreement.

Best kept Village Competition. The Council were informed of the Judges' Comments in the 1961 Competition when 73.3% was scored by the village.

Bus Shelter. Mr Reed reported that Mrs Skinner would be agreeable for the proposed bus shelter to be situated on the right hand side of the entry to her shop. The Area Planning Officer would not raise any objection to the revised site. Mrs Sykes' estimates for H Type Shelters were as follows

(a) All round glazing £92. plus £11 for Georgian arrow glass

(b) With concrete back panel £94 plus £7 for Georgian window glass.

after considering the details of the concrete base required for the shelter it was

Resolved as follows:- (1) That Mr G Box be asked for an estimate for the base and entrance path to the shelter.

(2) That a builder be asked for an estimate for carrying out the erection of the shelter and

(3) That a builder be asked for an estimate for building a similar type of shelter in a material to blend with the buildings in the village.

Village Hall Committee. Resolved - That Mr C Crainan be appointed as the Parish Council representative on the Village Hall Committee for one year from October 1961.

It was decided that the next meeting be held on the 9th November 1961. at 7:45pm at the Curdston House

Account - Resolved that the following Account be paid:-

Southern Electricity Board Street
lighting 1/9/61 - 30/9/61

15/5

E. W. Grace

Chairman.

5.11.1961.

At a meeting of the Begbroke Parish Council held at the Coronation House, Begbroke on the 9th November, 1961.

Present.

Mr E Mace - Chairman
 Mr C Quantin - Mr CP Watkins
 Mr R. Perry Mr G Reed - apology for absence

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed

Street Lighting. The chairman stated that the boughs had been removed from the street lamps and this had made a decided improvement. He stated that he had reported to the Southern Electricity Board that the lamp fittings were rusty and needed attention.

The clerk produced the maintenance agreement with the Southern Electricity Board wherein it was agreed that parts usually painted should be painted once in three years.

Resolved - That the matter be kept under review

Bus Shelter. The chairman stated that he had seen Mr. G. Cox giving him details of the proposed bus shelter and had asked him for the details required by the Council. Mr Cox had handed it to his surveyors for costing and despite several reminders he had not produced any details for this meeting of the Council.

The chairman read a letter from Mrs Skinner objecting to a possible site for the shelter which would obstruct her shop but agreeing to the site the Council had in mind.

on the suggestion of Mr. Perry a third possible site for the shelter on the Woodstock side of the Shop was discussed and it was decided to view this site and see if it was suitable.

It was finally decided that the Chairman should ask two or three more builders for estimates for the erection of the prefabricated shelter and for building one of similar design.

Account - Resolved that the following account be paid

Southam Electricity Board
Installation of one street lamp £22-5-6.

It was decided that the next meeting be held on the 5th December 1961. at 7.45 pm at the Council House

Mass. Haze

Chairman.
5/12/61.

At a meeting of the Begbroke Parish Council held at the Coronation House, Begbroke on the 5th December, 1961.

Present.

Mr E. Mace - Chairman

Mr R. Perry Mr H. Reed

Mr C. Clendenen Mr C. Wattkins

The minutes of the meeting held on the 9th November, 1961, were read and confirmed

Street Lighting. Concern was expressed at the sorry condition of the street lamp fittings and it was agreed to draw the attention of the Southern Electricity Board to the matter.

Bus Shelter. The Chairman stated he had endeavoured to get in touch with Mr H. Cox many times and at last had a letter today which he read to the meeting together with a letter of objection from the occupiers of Fernhill Garage.

It was agreed that Mr. A. Dalman be asked to give a price for erecting the bus shelter, which it was eventually decided should be glass all round.

If possible the Clerk was requested to pass the plans for the shelter to the County Planning and Highway Authorities so that a meeting of all interested parties could be arranged on the site.

Additional Street lights. It was decided to defer consideration of additional street lamps in the Begbroke Lane area until a future meeting of the Council.

Accounts - Resolved - That the following accounts
be paid

Clerks Salary to 22/11/61	£ 7-10-0
Postages	14-2
	£ 8-4-2

It was agreed that the next meeting be held
on the 6th February 1962 at 7-45 pm.

W. Mace
Chairman.
6/2/1962