

At the Annual Assembly of the Parish Meeting for the Parish of Begbroke held at the Village Hall, Begbroke on the 9th March 1967

Present

Mr R.W. Perry - Chairman

Members of the Parish Council & some 40/50 L.C. Electors

Minutes. The Minutes of the last Parish Meeting held on the 9th March 1966 were read and were confirmed by the Chairman.

The Chairman referred to the work of Mr E. Mace during his 14 years as Chairman of the Parish Council. He had always had the interests of the Council at heart and had put much work into the Survey of footpaths and it was agreed that a record of thanks and appreciation of his work be entered in the Minutes.

He also thanked the Rev. Mc Cann for the way he had looked after the Parish as representative on Ploughley Rural District Council.

The Chairman gave his annual report on the work of the Council during the past year and referred to the following matters:

Parish Council Elections in May last

A34. Service road widened
Acceleration & deceleration lanes
Northern intersection to be closed.
Improved bus stops
Removal of shrubs etc.

Springhill Road. Repaired & ditch piped
Re-numbering of streets

Development off Begbroke Lane

Various planning applications - including an application for 15 additional houses in Fimhill Rd - which had been opposed

Dumping in old pit

State of Rowel Brook

Improvements to be carried out in Langford Lane.

Royal Commission on Local Government

New Parish Notice Board - where it was proposed to display planning applications

He welcomed Mr Lanchbury as the new Rural District Councillor and stated that Dr. Kahn (County Councillor) was retiring. Mr. H.F. Death, Diocesan Surveyor, Witney, explained to the meeting the County Council policy for the maintenance

of roads and verges by mobile gangs and the reasons for this. The question of litter and tidying up was not really a matter for the Bomby Council. It was hoped that maintenance of a higher standard would be achieved. Mr. Death answered questions from Parishioners and was thanked by the Chairman for attending the meeting.

Vandalism. The Chairman reported the seats had been damaged and asked for co-operation of the public in reporting any similar acts which may be observed.

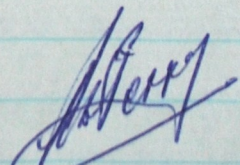
Appeal by Mrs Partridge Old Quarry development. The Chairman stated that outline planning permission had been refused and a Public Inquiry was being held by the Ministry of Housing and Local Government. Mr. Horey offered his services to speak at the Inquiry and it was agreed that an informal meeting be arranged.

Survey of Countryside Treasures. The Chairman explained that a survey of interesting and historical places and objects in the Parish was being carried out and it was decided that a small Committee be formed to deal with this matter i.e. a member of the W.I., Rectr, Mr. Horey and the Chairman.

Bert Kept Village Competitions. It was unanimously agreed to enter this competitions.

Main sewerage Scheme. Mr. Bomley the R.D.C. Engineer and Mr. Emmett the Resident Engineer explained the present position and answered questions raised by Parishioners at the meeting and were thanked for their attendance.

The Chairman was thanked for his work in connection with the improvements to safety carried out on A34


14 March 1968.
Chairman

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held at the Village Hall, Begbroke on the 9th March 1967

Present.

Mr K. Perry - Chairman
Mr J. H. Hewitt Mr G. Reed
Mr C. Quinton Mr C. Watkins

Minutes The Minutes of the last meeting held on the 12 December 1966 were read and were confirmed by the Chairman and the Board. The Chairman reported that the notice board had now been erected.

Ronel Brook. It was decided to remind Mr Drexler about clearing his part of Ronel Brook. It was stated that at present the County Council were not prepared to contribute towards the cost of the work.

A34 Dual carriageway. The Chairman stated that work was proceeding and there was nothing to report at present Begbroke to Bladon footpaths. The Chairman reported the receipt of a letter from Bladon Parish Council stating that the stiles on the path were in need of repair.

Resolved - that the owners be requested to carry out any necessary repairs.

O.C.C. Verges Byelaws. It was decided to defer this matter for the time being.

County Planning - Countryside Survey. Resolved - that the Chairman be authorised to represent the Council on a Committee to be constituted as suggested by the Annual Parish Meeting.

Local Government Act - Street lighting. At this stage it was decided to take no action under this Act with regard to street lighting.

Planning Applications. No objections were raised to three planning applications.

Provision of a Crematorium. The Clerk reported the receipt of a letter from Remgley R.D.C. asking for views on a proposal.

for a Municipal Crematorium to serve Oxford and the surrounding area, as the privately owned crematorium was now under continuous pressure.

Resolved - That Ploughley RDC be informed that there was a need for a Crematorium to be sited possibly in the northern part of the County.

Oxm Association of Parish Councils. The Chairman stated he had attended the last meeting which had been addressed by the County Surveyor from which it appeared that the County Council had less money to carry out more work on maintaining and constructing highways.

Planning Appeal. - Old Quarry Don M.H. Partridge Public Inquiry 6/4/67

The Chairman said a notice had been received that Mrs Partridge had appealed against the refusal of the County Council to allow development in the Old Quarry and there would be a Public Inquiry on the 6th April 1967.

Resolved - That the Chairman be authorised to represent the Council at the Inquiry and put forward the following objections to the development.

1. Development would conflict with Green Belt proposals
2. Would be detrimental to amenities and devaluation of property.
3. Proposed access was totally inadequate to serve any development
4. Increased traffic would be detrimental to highway safety especially at the junction with A34.
5. Unsupervised filling of the site over the past few years has not provided a suitable solid foundation for building
6. The Site has never in the opinion of the Council been completely part of a large development plan.

It was agreed that the annual meeting of the Parish Council be held on the 1st June 1967.

[Signature]
Chairman. 1st June 1967.

points he would like to discuss with the representative of the County Surveyor and it was agreed that an appointment be made for this purpose.

Contribution towards upkeep of Churchyard. The Chairman reported the receipt of a letter from the Rev. H.A. McCann asking if the Parish Council would contribute towards the upkeep of the Churchyard where any parishioners had the right to burial. The annual income for this purpose was small, and last year some £40 had been spent in levelling grave mounds and £35 on grass cutting etc. The Church also had heavy financial commitments in other directions. It was decided that the Rector be informed that the Precept had already been issued for expenses for the current year and that this left only a small margin for unbudgeted expenditure and consequently the Council felt unable to make a contribution this year. It was suggested that another application be made later and at the same time the Council should be supplied with a copy of the Churchyard accounts for the past two years and details of the fees charged for burials in the Churchyard.

Vandalism. The Chairman reported the perspex glass of the notice board had been broken and the two seats damaged.

Resolved. That authority be given for the necessary repairs to be carried out and the seat be sited outside the bus shelter.

Butt Kept Village Competition. It was reported that heavy lorries had damaged the verges in Begbroke Lane and the Clerk was requested to take the

matter up with the long owners concerned
New Estate. It was decided that the new building
 estate should be named Begbroke Crescent and
 numbered consecutively

County Councillor. It was decided to thank Dr Kahan
 for his services as County Councillor over the past
 three years

OAPC. Joint conference with Berkshire 8/7/67. It was agreed
 not to send a representative to this conference.

Accounts. Resolved - That the following accounts be paid.

Smiths Electricity Board. 31/12/66 31/3/67 £5-16-5

Ordnance Association of Parish Councils 3-2-6

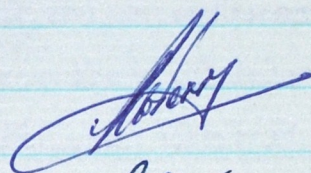
Ocean Accident & Guarantee Corp Insurance 2-16-8

Royal Insurance Seats 1-0-0

Clerks Salary 10-0-0

Postages 1-17-4

£24-12-11



Chairman. 20th July 1967

At a meeting of the Begbroke Parish Council
held at the Coronation House, Begbroke on the
1st June 1967.

Present

Mr. R. Perry Mr. J. H. Everett
Mr. G. Reed Mr. C. Quainton
apology from Mr. Watkins

Appointment of Chairman It was proposed by Mr. Reed
seconded by Mr. Everett and unanimously agreed that
Mr. R. Perry be appointed Chairman for the ensuing year
Appointment of Vice Chairman. It was unanimously agreed
that Mr. J. Everett be elected Vice Chairman for the ensuing
year.

Minutes The minutes of the last meeting held on the 9th
March 1967 were read and were confirmed by the Chairman
Rowel Brook. The Chairman stated he had inspected Rowel
Brook and branches were piling up. The main stream
to the lane could be following a different course. The
Clerk reported a letter from Mr. J. Drexler saying he would
pull out branches after spring cultivation.

It was agreed that members would inspect the
brook on a date to be arranged.

Begbroke - Bladon footpaths The Clerk reported the receipt of a
letter from St Philip's Farm stating their stile had been
repaired but no reply had been received from the Great
Resolved - That the Chairman and another Councillor
carry out an inspection of the path.

Children Sign, Begbroke Lane It was stated that the County
Council had not approved a 'Children' sign in Begbroke Lane.
It was decided to discuss with the Village Hall Committee the
cost of providing and erecting two signs.

Langford Lane The Clerk reported that the County Council
in view of the lack of funds for improvements to non principal

roads could not make funds available at the present time to improve Langford Lane.

Footpath Springhill Road The Chairman stated that Longhley R.D.C. had intimated that the Contractors activities were not responsible for the condition of the footpath and that the Consulting Engineers were satisfied that Clark Bros had not been negligent of their final reinstatement obligations.

Resolved - That the matter be taken up with the Contractors once again

Planning applications. Harris & Mead 24/26 Fernhill Road. The Chairman reported the receipt of a Planning Application for 14 terraced houses & garages on this site.

Resolved - That the proposal be opposed on the same grounds as before.

It was reported that alterations were being carried out at Cuckoo Pens, Springhill Road, 15 & 38 Fernhill Road. It was decided to inform the County Planning Dept in case planning permission was required

Planning Appeal Old Quay nos HM Partridge. The Chairman reported on the Public Inquiry. He did not think sufficient emphasis had been placed on paragraph 4 of the Council's statement of objections. In view of another fatal accident it was agreed that the attention of the Ministry of Housing and Local Government, The County Planning Committee, Neil Martin M.P. and the Chairman of the County Planning Committee be drawn to this aspect of the matter, and that in accordance with the County Development Plan further development in Beighbrooke should not be encouraged.

Improvements to Dual Carriageway and Spring Hill Road. The Chairman reported that a good job had been made of the improvements to Spring Hill Road, and that the agreed improvements had been carried out to the dual carriageway. There were, however, several

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20th July, 1967

Present.

Mr. R. W. Kemp - Chairman
Mr. G. Reed Mr. C. Chainton
Mr. W. Watkins

Apology from Mr. J. H. Everett

Minutes. The Minutes of the meeting held on the 1st
June 1967 were read and were confirmed by the Chairman

Rowd Brook The Chairman reported that Rowd Brook
had been inspected and it was agreed that a diversion
in Kidlington was desirable. This was being taken up
by the County Council concerned.

Begbroke - Bladon footpath The Chairman stated that the
path had been inspected but repairs had not been
carried out. The Chairman was asked to see Mr. Gent.
Children Sign, Begbroke Lane - Nothing to report

Springhill Road Footpath. The Clerk was requested to take the
matter up with the Divisional Surveyor

Improvement Main Road. The Chairman reported that
he had seen Mr. Young of the County Surveyors department
and had expressed residents satisfaction at the way
the work had been carried out. He had asked for holly
bushes & trees to be removed, lane arrows and
the safety of pedestrians to be considered.

Notice Board. It was stated that the perspex had been
deliberately broken and the Chairman said he had
arranged that this to be replaced.

Seat. It was reported that Mr. G. Day was repairing the Seat.

Planning Appeals. Harris & Head. It was reported that
this appeal had been turned down.

Mrs. Partridge - Old Quarry It was also reported that

this Appeal had been dismissed
Re-numbering & naming of Roads. The Chairman produced the list as finally approved by Poughley R.D.C.
Development Begbroke Lane. The Chairman stated the name had been agreed as Begbroke Crescent and would be numbered 1-63 consecutively.

Street light. It was agreed that enquiries be made about extending the arm of the street light to light the inside of the bus shelter.

Fernhill Road. It was reported that the footpath was in a bad condition outside nos. 17 and 34/36. and it was agreed the Diocesan Surveyor be informed.

Passenger Transport Co-ordinating Committee. The reported the receipt of a circular letter stating that the Committee had been set up to study passenger transport arrangements and to seek a more effective & coordinated service in the South East Region, with which it is concerned, including Oxfordshire.

Sewerage Scheme. The Chairman stated that at a meeting at Poughley R.D.C. he had raised the question of the manhole covers being left off at night giving rise to very dangerous conditions. He had also seen the resident engineer and pointed out that the firm would be personally responsible should any injuries occur to members of the public and claims for compensation arise.

Accounts Resolved - That the following account be paid
 Audit Stamp 1966/67 £2-0-0

next meeting 11 Dec 1967.

M. Perry 11th Dec 1967.
Chairman

At a meeting of the Bigbrooke Parish Council
held at the barnation House, Bigbrooke on the
11th December 1967.

Present.

Mr. R.W. Perry - Chairman
Mr. J.H. Everett Mr. G. Reed
Mr. B. Quainton

The Rev. Mr. Carr. Mr. G.T. Hambleby & members of the public
Apology from Mr. B. Watkins.

Minutes. The Minutes of the meeting held on the 20 July 1967
were read and were confirmed by the Chairman

The Chairman reported

That the seat and notice board had been repaired
An extended arm had been placed on the street light near
the bus shelter.

The new sewerage scheme was now in operation.

He was seeing Mr. Young of the County Surveyors department
regarding lane arrows & the cutting of further bushes on
the dual carriageway as promised.

That the Divisional Surveyors be reminded of the repairs
in Fenchell Road and Springhill Road (Cold Road)

Village Hall - possible application for grant. Mr. Hambleby
Rural District Councilor, outlined the constitution of the
Village Hall and a general discussion followed. It was
stated that no formal application had been received, and
there would appear to be no urgency as the Hall had
a balance in hand. It was decided to give the matter
full consideration if and when an application was received.

Burt Kept village competition. The Chairman reported
the Judges comments on the Burt Kept village competition
new Postal arrangements. These, which were already in
operation, were reported to the Council, and, following
complaints that the collecting box was often full, it was

decided to ask for a larger box.
Grass cutting. The Council were informed that Plymouth RDC were considering the possibility of preparing a scheme for the cutting of amenity grass areas in villages the cost to be reimbursed to the district Council. The proposal was noted.
Parking near the Sun Inn. It was decided to ask the Parish representative ^{on the County Council} to look into this matter.

A complaint was made that sewage was entering the stream from these premises and it was decided to report the matter to Plymouth L.D.C.

Planning Applications.

Wood Research Organisation - Extensions to stores, buildings etc
 no objection

St. Juliana's Convent. Additional classrooms & cloakroom.

It was decided to forward the following observations (Mr Everett dissenting).

1. The character of the old village has been spoilt by previous development and this development will spoil it further
2. Development could be carried out to the south of the Convent
3. Residents object
4. Traffic will increase and cause a nuisance and inconvenience to residents

Bigbrooke Lane. Complaints were received about the shocking condition of this lane. Damage had been caused by heavy lorries filling in the old pit. The verges were in poor condition

Resolved. That the matter be reported to the County Council for any necessary action to improve conditions for residents in the lane.

Village Hall Management Committee. Resolved. That Mr & Mrs Quaintance be appointed the Parish Council representative on the Committee for the ensuing year
Contribution towards upkeep of Churchyard The Rev McCann gave the Council details of the expenditure on the upkeep

of the Churchyard. £650 had been spent since 1941. There were two trusts which brought in £67 per year. The Burial fee was £4 for the Churchyard. £30 per annum was the average cost. Any grant would be for the Burial ground and he thought the burden should be shared.

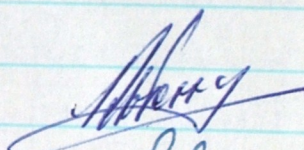
Mr Everett thought there was no case made out. and the Rates should not be increased

It was decided that the matter should be referred to the Parish Meeting in March.

Resolved - That the following accounts be paid.

Southam Electricity Board St Lighting	£4-12-7
Village Hall to July 1967	£2-0-0
Mr Quirk Repairs to seat & Notice Board	£4-5-11
Clerks Salary to 22/11/67	£10-0-0
	<u>£20-18-6</u>

It was decided the next meeting should be 7/14 March 1968 to be preceded by Annual Parish Meeting


Chairman.
18th January 1968.