

At the Annual Assembly of the Parish Meeting for the Parish of Begbroke held at the Village Hall Begbroke on the 11th March 1971.

Present.

Mr. R.W. Kerry - Chairman

Other Members of the Parish Council and some
24 Local Government Electors

Mr. Launchbury. R.D. Councillor

Rev. Mr. Cairns

Apology: Mrs. Patching

Mr. B. Soden - County Highways

Mr. W.K. Wright

Mr. Comley - R.D.C. Surveyor.

Minutes - The Minutes of the last Parish Meeting held on the 25th March 1970, were read, and were confirmed by the Chairman.

Chairman's Report The Chairman welcomed those present at the meeting and reported on the work of the Council over the past year mentioning the following matters

Five meetings had been held

Best Keep village competition - award

Footpath and Bridle way signs erected

Dolton Lane improved by Fieldpaths Society

Airport surface water drainage + pollution in ditches

Two public inquiries into planning applications (Day + Homes)

Old Quarry site, now under control

Childrens climbing frame for recreation ground

Sandhill Road made up + completed

A34 - Lamp crossing bridge cat. etc

Flashing Amber lights in operation

Trying for trunk road lighting

Education Committee. Woodlark C.P. School

Yarnall C.P. School

T.B.C. Developments - Surface water drainage + hedge.

Street Lighting

Rowel Brook - some clearing undertaken by residents

Fenhill Road - surface water + pavements

Oxfordshire Association of Parish Councils

He thought it had been a successful year & he thanked members of the Council for their assistance.

Mr. Comley explained the problems of the foul drainage system and how it was proposed to deal with the Airfield complex and surface water. With regard to TCB developments in the old Quarry he explained the procedures to be adopted and which would safeguard purchasers of the houses.

Mr Boden explained that the hurry was against a speed limit on A34, an overbridge and no overtaking. A scheme for trunk road lighting was being prepared and would be submitted to the hurry for approval. He answered questions and was thanked for attending the meeting.

Street lighting. It was stated this would require about 22 lamps but it could not be finalised until the trunk road lighting had been installed.

Several questions were raised by members of the public regarding Best kept village competition, litter generally, and at the bus stops and dogs fouling footways.

Mr Perry said he would not be seeking re-election as Chairman at the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council.

A vote of thanks was moved thanking the Chairman and Council for their work over the year.

A J Wain 14.3.72
Chairman

at the Annual Meeting of the Begbroke Parish Council held at the Coronation House, Begbroke on the 20th May 1971.

Present.

Mr. R. Brane Mr. J. Storey
Mr. J. Everett Mr. R. Perry
Mr. J. Winch.

Mr Perry stated that he thought a new Chairman should be appointed this year rather than next year which would be election year. He thanked members for their support. Mr Brane expressed members thanks to Mr Perry for his term of office as Chairman.

Appointment of Chairman. It was proposed by Mr Everett and seconded by Mr Perry and unanimously agreed that Mr J. Winch be elected Chairman for 1971/72.

Appointment of Vice-Chairman. It was proposed and seconded and agreed that Mr Everett be re-appointed Vice-Chairman for the coming year.

Minutes. The minutes of the meeting held on the 21st December 1970 were read and confirmed by the Chairman.

Blimbing Frame. It was stated this had been erected.

Footpath Signposts Mr Perry stated these were now ready for erection and the members agreed to carry out the work and inspect the path from Springleys to Bladon for obstructions. Woodstock CE Primary School. The Clerk reported that the Director of Education would put Mr Patchings name forward when the proposed revised Instrument of Management had been confirmed. Mr Neil Martin had replied that he was aware of the problems at this School and was in touch with the Minister of Education.

Flashing Amber Lights A34. It was reported that these lights were now working - operated by the Convent.

Trunk Road Lighting A34 The Clerk reported a letter from the Divisional Road Engineer stating that it was proposed to install a lighting scheme on this road from just north of the

junction with Begbroke Lane to just south of the junction with Sandy Lane approximately 1420 metres. It was agreed to suggest that the Scheme should commence from the service road (northern junction) to Sandy Lane & include the whole of the village. A similar letter had been received from Ploughley R.D.C.

Rowel Brook Mr Perry reported that an inspection had been made & consideration was being given to the removal of the willow trees.

Best Kept Village Competition. It was stated that the Competition was under way and the Clerk was requested to write to the owner of 30 Fimhill Rd and remind him of his promise to improve the appearance of this bungalow.

Flooding & Damaged Pavements The Clerk reported the reply of the County Surveyor. The Clerk was asked to point out to the County Surveyor that several matters had not yet been attended to.

Balls Corner. The Clerk said he would inquire if seeding the area of waste ground had been included in the Private Street works contract.

Springhill Road It was reported that repairs had been carried out to Springhill Road. And it was decided to send a letter of appreciation to the Area Surveyor.

Amenities of Village Life. The members were informed of the questionnaire circulated by Sir George Schuster and the reply which had been sent by Mr Perry as Chairman. The reply, based on the Council's views, was confirmed.

Planning Applications

T.C.B. Developments. - Standard garages were proposed to be provided for all houses - No observations

Convent - new signboard - No observations

Begbroke Crescent - Street lighting. It was reported that two new street lamps were operating on this Estate without notification to and the approval of

the Parish Council. The Council were concerned that this should happen, and the Clerk was requested to write to the Southern Electricity Board stating that the Parish Council wish to be notified before any further street lights are put into use on this Estate.

Accounts Resolved - that the following accounts be paid:-

O.A.P.C. Subscription £6.67 Review 55p Forum 15p £7.-37

Southern Electricity Board. 1/2 year to 31/3/71 £11.-49

W.T. Mumby 1/2 yr Salary to 22/5/71 £10.-00

Audit Stamp £2.-00

Postages to 31/3/71 5.90 £17.-90

Royal Insurance Group £4.-00

Village Hall Use of Hall 1970/71 £7.-00

£47.76

Mr Birch thanked Mr Perry for all the work he had carried out during his Office as Chairman of the Council

A J Birch 18th May 71
Chairman.

At a meeting of the Begbroke Parish Council held at the Village Hall, Begbroke on the 18th August 1971. 7.45pm.

Present

Mr. J. Munch - Chairman
Mr. R. Brane Mr F. Florey
Mr R W Perry.

Minutes. The Minutes of the meeting held on the 18th August 1971 were read and confirmed by the Chairman.

Arising on Minutes.

Footpath signposts. It was reported that there had been erected but it would be desirable for some more finger posts and one B.R. fingerpost were erected. The Clerk said he would endeavour to get some.

Woodstock C.E. Primary School. The Clerk reported a letter from the Director of Education stating that a case for the completion of the new school to 480 pupil size had been submitted to the Department of Education & Science. It was hoped that the scheme would be approved & a start made in the 1973/74 programme. In view of this the Committee were anxious not to spend any more money than was absolutely necessary on the old school classrooms.

It was also stated that Mrs Patching had been appointed to the Board of Managers of the School.

Yemhill Road. The Clerk reported a letter from the County Surveyor stating that it was hoped that funds would be available in the near future to attend to outstanding matters.

It was also reported that Rowel Brook had flooded gardens in June and sewage water had escaped from overfull mains. Mr Brane stated what had happened and produced a copy of a letter sent to the Surveyor of Ronghley R.D.C. It was agreed to inform the Ronghley R.D.C. of the Council's concern about these difficulties and to ask the Rural District Councillor to keep the matter before the District Council.

Begbroke Bressent - Street Lighting The Clerk reported a letter

from the Southern Electricity Board stating that as the Council had agreed to the scheme it was assumed that the lights could be connected. The scheme was not completed and more lights would be connected at a later date. It was agreed that the Board be requested to inform the Council when further lights are added.

Best Kept Village Competition. The Clerk reported he had written to the owner of 30 Fenhill Road but had not had a reply. The results of the Competition were received which showed that the Churchyard were equal first with Kingham. It was agreed that Mr Mace be congratulated on his efforts.

Trunk Road Lighting A34. The Clerk reported that he had written to the Divisional Road Engineer as requested but had received no reply.

Proposed New County & District Boundaries The Clerk reported the receipt of a discussion paper from the Oxfordshire County Council which would be discussed at a meeting in August. Plans were also sent setting out the proposed new County Boundary and showing that Begbroke & Jansin would be included in a new County district 'B' the headquarters of which would possibly be situated at Clipping Norton or Witney. The Chairman reported on a meeting which had been held at Bicester to discuss this matter.

Resolved: That the papers be noted and no objection raised to the proposal to place Begbroke in the new District 'B'.

O.A.P.C. Circular. The Chairman said he would pass these around to members for information.

Footpaths It was reported that the footpath sign in Dollins Lane should be changed to a Bridle Road. It was also stated that the bridle road from Begbroke to Bledon was obstructed at Village End. It was agreed to suggest a meeting be arranged between a representative of the County Surveyors dept the Oxfordshire Fieldpaths Society and the Council on the site.

The Clerk said he would report the matter to Plymouth R.D.C. Aircraft Noise. Mrs Perry complained about increased aircraft noise from planes flying from Kidlington Airport, the planes appeared to be turning short on circuit and passing directly over the village. It was agreed that Mrs Perry should contact Mr Pooley the Airport Manager and discuss the matter.

Planning Applications

D.G. Roseley.	Improvements to	no observations
20. Fernhill Rd	bungalows	
Mrs EE Adams	additions and	no observations
62. Fernhill Rd	alterations	
St Julian's Convent	Extension to first floor	no observations
Begbroke Place	accommodation	

Waste Ground. Sandhill Road. A complaint was made about the untidy state of the piece of waste ground at the junction of Sandhill Road with Begbroke Lane. The hedge also needed attention. The Clerk was requested to ask the County Council to clear, level and seed the area in question & to trim the hedge, as part of the Private Street Works.

Accounts. Resolved - That the following Accounts be paid

Southern Electricity Board - Street Lighting	£ 4.73
Commercial Union Compact Insurance	3.00
A Leach work on footpaths - weed killers etc	5.50
Clerks salary to 22/8/71	5.00

M J Welch 7th Dec 71
Chairman.

At a Public Meeting held at the Village Hall, Begbroke, to discuss Bus Services, on the 16th November 1971

Present:

The Chairman and other members of the Parish Council
Some 40 members of the General Public.

The Chairman (Mr. Wainch) explained the purpose of the meeting was to consider proposed cuts in the timetables of the City of Oxford Motor Services operating through the village. He thanked people for attending and said a representative of Wroth's Bus Services was also at the meeting. (Mr. R.E. Wroth).

Mr. John Everett complained that the Parish Council had not been consulted. If the new proposals were introduced most residents would be unable to get to work at their normal time as 3 buses at early morning peak period would be taken off. The last bus from Oxford would be 7-10pm and no late service. The Sunday morning service would disappear. Travellers to Woodstock would only be able to return after 6½ hours.

Mr. Wroth said his company was objecting to the proposals and he thought they would be able to provide services to fill some of the gaps.

After a general discussion the following Resolutions were proposed, seconded and approved.

1. That a formal objection be lodged to the new timetable
2. That the Traffic Commissioners be asked to ensure that the City of Oxford Motor Services consult the Parish Council when future changes in timetables are being considered
3. That the Traffic Commissioners refuse permission to the City of Oxford Motor Services to implement the new service until the morning peak hour travel facilities have been reviewed as it was essential for two services to be provided

for workers to arrive in Oxford at 08.20 and 08.45.

4. That additional licences be granted for additional evening & Sunday services to operate in addition to those included in the proposals.

5. That the City of Oxford & Works Services should be included in one timetable.

It was agreed to ask Bloughly R.D.C. if they received notification of the proposed changes why the Parish Council had not been informed.

The Chairman said the Parish Council would be represented at any Public Inquiry.

A J Wink 18.1.72
Chairman

At a Meeting of the Begbroke Parish Council held at the Village Hall, Begbroke on the 7th December 1971.

Present

Mr. J. Birch - Chairman
Mr. R. Crane. Mr. J. Everett
Mr. F. Honey - Mr. R. Perry

Minutes The Minutes of the meeting held on the 18th Aug 1971 were read and confirmed by the Chairman.

Arising on Minutes.

Footpath signposts. It was reported that the additional finger posts had not been received from the County Council. The Clerk said he would look into the matter.

Temple Road It was explained to the Council that the County Council were proposing to lay a new road drain to the new 18 inch pipe running at the back of the end house which should cure the present flooding in the road. It was also proposed to install a larger pump in the sewage system which would also improve matters.

Trunk Road Lighting A.34. Mr. Long asked that, in view of another fatal accident to a pedestrian crossing this road, the Ministry be informed of the urgency in installing the proposed new lighting without delay. The Clerk said he would write again as he had not received a reply to his first letter. Mr. Perry said he would write to the local M.P. and ask for his assistance in the matter. A letter from Mr. Rochester was received outlining previous accidents, and it was agreed to call a Public Meeting early in January to report the improvements secured by the Parish Council and to allow residents to comment and put forward their own proposals for improvements.

A complaint was received that lorries were stopping on the dual carriageway when using the telephone kiosk.

and the Post Office. It was decided to inform the local police accordingly.

Bus Service - New Timetable. The Clerk produced the replies from the Traffic Commissioners and Rotherley R.D.C. following the resolutions agreed at the public meeting. Rotherley R.D.C. were prepared to advise Parish Councils of future applications. The Traffic Commissioners stated statutory rights of objections were not afforded to parish councils, but representations were usually accepted under their discretionary powers to safeguard the interests of the general public. The Council were concerned at the lack of consultation with Parish Councils and it was agreed. (1) To ask Rotherley R.D.C. to notify this Parish Council of any future applications affecting Begbroke (2) To report the facts to the County Association of Parish Councils with a request that the Executive Committee consider the matter with a view to making a recommendation to the National Association that statutory rights of objections should be given to Parish Councils who should be notified of any application affecting their parish which are submitted to the Traffic Commissioners. A letter had also been received from Hertford Motor Services Ltd enclosing a modified timetable covering the times when the City of Oxford Motor Services proposed to withdraw services.

Planning Applications

By Day & Son	Begbroke Crescent Estate new lay out plan 28-45. Detached houses - reducing the density by one.	no observations
N. Dresden 67 Fenchell Road	Extensions for residential purposes	no observations

The Clerk reported a letter asking parishes to support an application by the National Association to make it compulsory for parishes to be consulted on planning applications when the new district Councils take office in 1974.

It was agreed to write to the local M.P. in support of the National Council.

Springhill Road. It was agreed to ask the Area Surveyor to investigate flooding which occurs at the junction of St Michaels Lane with Springhill Road.

Bridleway Begbroke to Bladon. The clerk reported he had reported this matter to Pledghley R.D.C. and had received a letter from Mr. A.J. Harris stating he was applying for a formal diversion of the path. Pledghley R.D.C. had asked Mr Harris to remove any obstructions to the path pending a decision on the diversion order when this had been received.

Aircraft Noise Mr. Perry reported on a meeting with the Airport Authority when it was stated a new runway would be used avoiding Begbroke & Bladon, and matters were now satisfactory.

Langford Lane The question of road safety and the improvement of Langford Lane was discussed in some detail and it was agreed to put forward to the County Council the following points.

1. Improvement of vision at the junction with A423.
2. Danger to pedestrians
3. Provision of footpath
4. Deceleration lanes at A34 junction
5. Provision of an adequate layby in conjunction with the airport for onlookers watching the aircraft
6. Development to be restricted until the lane is improved.

Accounts. Resolved. That the following Accounts be paid

Southern Electricity Board	St Lighting 30/9/71	£4.83
Clerks Salary	November 1971	£5.00
		<u>£9.83</u>

A. J. Wicks 18.1.72
Chairman