

BEGBROKE PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BEGBROKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 1st JULY 1997 AT 7.45 PM.

Present:

Mr J Kershaw, Mrs H. Morgan, Mr T. Holcroft, Mr B. Eastgate, Mrs C. Crellin, Mrs S. Ganter District Councillor and Mr B. Wood County Councillor.

1. Apologies

Mrs M. Hastings, ~~Mr G. Day~~.

2. Read and confirm Minutes of the last meeting.

- 2.1. The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd June 1997 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman Mr Kershaw.

3. Matters arising from the Minutes:

- 3.1. Road survey Issues/Gateways. Mr Eastgate will arrange to meet Mr & Mrs Hurrell and Mr & Mrs Morgan to discuss the siting of the gateways, if they can agree a suitable site clerk will write asking for quotations and ask for permission from the Utilities. Item 7.11 was discussed, Clerk to ring Mr Carritt and ask him if he can remove the grass verge and widen the carriageway between the Post Office and Fernhill Road for the price of resurfacing the footpath. The Council agreed it would not be worthwhile pursuing this further if they had to incur the cost.
7.1 Clerk to write requesting a map showing the areas of grass cut and how frequently they are done.
- 3.2. Bus shelter/seat maintenance. Clerk to chase Mr Buswell.
- 3.3. Parish Conservation Plan. Official photographs of village. Mr Eastgate has got the aerial photographs.
- 3.4. Grants for village organisations. These have been circulated and will be discussed at next meeting.
- 3.5. Celebrating the Millennium. A notice was put in the Link asking for ideas from residents.
- 3.6. Dog fouling Act (Item 7.16 June Agenda). Clerk to reply asking for a blanket designation and signs will not be required.

4. Reports from County and District Councillors.

Mr Wood suggested he liaise with the clerk every 6 months to discuss any long standing issues she has which are not being dealt with to the Council's satisfaction when he will try and sort them out. The County Council nominate some school governors and he would like any feedback on this.

Mrs Ganter confirmed the Solid State Logic planning application for new storage facilities is to go to the Secretary of State. She suggested the Council write giving him their views, Mrs Morgan to liaise with clerk to prepare a suitable letter.

5. Planning.

Applications:

97/00154/F. Shipton Quarry - storage of cars. Council have objected to this application on the implication of 60-100 car transporters a day being directed along the A44 through Begbroke.

97/00949/F. 22 Springhill Road, Begbroke. One and two storey extension. No comments or objections were given by neighbours.

97/01009/F. 88 Fernhill Road, ground and first floor rear extension.

97/01105/F. 22 Woodstock Road East, Garage Extension.

Decisions:

CSE Temporary siting of 2 No. portakabins - refused.

6. Council Representatives.

A44 Action Group: Mr G. Day. Mr Perry reported that Mr Day did not attend the last meeting.

Neighbourhood Watch: Mrs H. Morgan. No report.

BVHMC: Mr B. Eastgate. The general fencing repairs are currently costing £4,000. Mrs Ganter suggested they approach the Leisure Services at Cherwell for a grant to help with this. They are currently discussing funding of the play area and suggested the Council should help with funding. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

7. Correspondence

- 7.1. OCC. Grass cutting (see item 3.1.).
- 7.2. OCC. Environmental Services Parish Council meeting: 8th July. Kirtlington Village Hall 7.30pm. Mrs Morgan will attend and clerk to ask Mr Perry if he would like to attend.
- 7.3. OCC ack. cards a) rumble strips b) signs on A44. Noted.
- 7.4. Civil protection magazine. Circulated.
- 7.5. CDC. Helping of shape the future - rural issues booklets. Circulated.
- 7.6. Oxfordshire Health Authority - purchasing plan 97/98 etc. Circulated.
- 7.7. OCC. Downgrading of Begbroke Lane. Clerk to write confirming the Council will look for evidence and will contact them again when they have relevant information.
- 7.8. Mrs Betty Roberts - Thank you letter. Noted.
- 7.9. CDC. Travelling funfairs - legal control. Circulated.
Draft District Nature Conservation Strategy - comments by 30th June.
- 7.10. Sustrans requesting support. Circulated will discuss at next meeting.
- 7.11. OCC. Lay-by opposite Post Office. (See item 3.1)
- 7.12. County Emergency Plan. Circulated.
- 7.13. Letters requesting grant aid from Priory, WI, Sports & Social Club and BVHMC. Circulated will discuss at next meeting.
- 7.14. CDC a) Agenda: Upper Heyford planning forum. Circulated.
b) Cherwell Link magazine. Circulated.
- 7.15. The Village Lock-up Association. Circulated.
- 7.16. OALC - AGM annual report. Circulated.

8. Financial Matters:

8.1. Balances as at 25th June 1997

C/A £46.07

D/A £18,018.32

8.2. Transfer required:

8.3. The following accounts are presented for payment:-

Mrs H. Hastings: Clerk's salary (June)	£	120.28
Mrs H. Hastings: Clerk's expenses		56.05
BVHMC: Hall rent.		42.00

9. Any Other Business:

- 9.1. Tree planting in Begbroke Lane. Clerk to remind Hugh Potter and ask for details of suitable trees and shrubs.

10. Date of next meeting:

Tuesday 5th August 1997

~~Tuesday 3rd June 1997~~

~~Tuesday 1st July 1997~~

Signed 

Date ... 5th.. August... 1997.

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BEGBROKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 5th AUGUST 1997 AT 7.45 PM.

Present:

Mr J Kershaw, Mrs H. Morgan, Mr B. Eastgate, Mrs C. Crellin,
Mrs S. Ganter District Councillor, Mr B. Wood County Councillor and Mr Colin Carritt Oxfordshire County Engineer.

1. Apologies

Mr T Holcroft.

2. Read and confirm Minutes of the last meeting.

2.1. The minutes of the meeting held on 1st July 1997 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman Mr Kershaw.

3. Matters arising from the Minutes:

3.1. Road survey Issues/Gateways. Mr Kershaw welcomed Mr Carritt to the meeting and grass cutting item 7.22 was discussed first. Mr Carritt explained the grass cutting contract; the A44 is classed as "rural cutting" and is cut twice a year, when asked why the A44 through Yarnton was cut more regularly he explained this was a historic matter from the days when Yarnton garage looked after the verge and when the County took over they felt they had standards to follow. When asked why the area northbound between Springhill Road and the bus stop was not cut when the other three corners of the roundabout were done under "village cutting", which is cut five times a year, he agreed the area between Gardeners Cottage and Priory Cottage should be included in the village cutting next year. The hedge on the service road is not included in the cutting programme and he suggested the Parish Council ring his department when it requires cutting. Mr Carritt suggested the Parish take over the grass cutting but after discussion it was agreed the Parish would not have the funds available. Mr Carritt confirmed that due to budget cuts the weed control budget had been cut by a third and suggested the Parish took this over again the Parish would not have funds available.

Gateways: Mr Carritt felt these were not very effective but would have no objections to moving the gate further north. Mr Eastgate still to arrange meeting with Dr & Mrs Morgan and Mr & Mrs Hurrell to discuss siting.

The speed limit on the A44 was discussed and Mr Carritt confirmed that a survey was being carried out at the moment and indicated the A44 was high on the list for a 50mph speed limit and that he would support this. He is not keen on the reduction of the carriageway and is concerned this may increase accidents. He suggested no further action until the results of the survey are known.

Seal on roundabout, Mr Carritt will chase the contractor to get this done.

Rumble Strips, it was agreed not to pursue this further due to noise.

3.2. Bus shelter/seat maintenance. Mr Buswell has made a start and Mrs Morgan will check the work has been carried out satisfactorily. Clerk to write for information on graffiti cleaner.

- 3.3. Parish Conservation Plan. Official photographs of village. Mr Eastgate will photocopy an old booklet written about Begbroke village.
- 3.4. Grants for village organisations. Mrs Morgan was concerned about the amount of money the Council are spending this year, Mr Kershaw will check the legalities. Skeleton accounts from the BVHMC and St. Philips Priory along with Mr Holcrofts letter are to be circulated and a decision made at next meeting. Mr Eastgate will ask the Management Committee if the Parish Council can hold a public meeting after their APM to discuss the funding of the play area.
- 3.5. Celebrating the Millennium. Only one suggestion was received, clerk to confirm Councils disappointment at the lack of response in the Link.

4. Reports from County and District Councillors.

Mr Woods gave his apologies for the next Parish Council meeting in September. He confirmed the County were not successful in their bid to keep the higher funding and were having to send out new council bills and further cuts to services would be necessary.

Mrs Ganter confirmed she would be attending the meeting at Shipton to discuss the planning application at the Quarry and Mrs Morgan agreed to attend the meeting on behalf of the Council.

5. Planning.

Applications:

- 97/01251/F. 7 Fernhill Road. Construction of garage.
- 97/01225/F. CSE - Alterations to hanger 4 etc.
- 97/01320/F. 16 Begbroke Crescent single storey extension at front to form enlarged garage.

Decisions:

Shipton Quarry: Meeting held by Shipton Parish Council who are concerned Cherwell will grant this application are holding a meeting on Thursday 7th August at 7.30 in their village hall and would like someone from this Parish Council to attend. Mrs Morgan to attend.

- 97/00949/F. 22 Springhill Road, one and two storey extension. Refused.
- 97/01009/F. 88 Fernhill Road granted.

6. Council Representatives.

Neighbourhood Watch: Mrs H. Morgan. No report.

BVHMC: Mr B. Eastgate. No report.

7. Correspondence

- 7.1. Mrs G. Cook, 9 Fernhill Road. A copy of her comments sent to CDC regarding the planning application for No. 7. Noted.
- 7.2. Government Office - Solid State Logic planning application - they are to hold a public enquiry. Noted.
- 7.3. Sovereign Play Equipment leaflet. BVHMC.
- 7.4. Glasdon leaflet. Noted.
- 7.5. CDC. Newsletter. Circulated.
- 7.6. OCC. Road Safety Plan 97/98 - casualty report 96. Circulated.
- 7.7. OCC. Colin Carritt - grass cutting. (see 3.1.)
- 7.8. ORCC. membership form. Circulated.
- 7.9. OCC. News. Circulated.
- 7.10 OCC. Rumble strips. (see 3.1.)
- 7.11 St. Philips Priory - estimate for repairs and financial statement. Circulated.
- 7.12 BVHMC -Preliminary accounts. Circulated.
- 7.13 Mobile roadshow 97 programme. Displayed on notice board.
- 7.14 Thames Valley Police. New area beat officer - PC Dean Maskell. Noted.

- 7.15 CDC. Upper Heyford Base Forum - minutes. Circulated.
- 7.16 CDC. Free testing of electric blankets for the elderly. Displayed on notice board.
- 7.17 OALC - County Circular. Circulated.
- 7.18 CDC. Leisure Strategy. Circulated.
- 7.19 OCC Acknowledgement card.
- 7.20 Victim Support requesting donation. Circulated.
- 7.21 Response to millennium (see 3.5.).
- 7.22 OCC - Grass cutting plans (see 3.1.)
- 7.23 CDC Parish Information manual, circulated.
- 7.24 CDC Parish Boundary Review. Circulated.
- 7.25 Mr Trevor Holcroft - grants to village organisations. Circulated.

8. Financial Matters:

8.1. Balances as at 25th July 1997

C/A £69.79 - £42.00 = £27.79	D/A £7,818.32
BVHMC cheque outstanding	

8.2. Transfer required: £200

8.3. The following accounts are presented for payment:-

Mrs H. Hastings: Clerk's salary (July)	£	120.28
OALC - membership renewal	£	76.00

9. Any Other Business:

9.1. Condition of St. Michael's Churchyard. Complaint from Mrs Giles from 38 Churchill Road Kidlington. Would like the Council to look into this and report back to her. She has already spoke to Rev Craig. Mr Kershaw looked at the churchyard before the meeting and agreed it was not very tidy. Clerk to write to the secretary of the Church stating the Council had received a complaint.

Date of next meeting:

Tuesday 2nd September 1997 (Clerk will be unable to attend this meeting)
Tuesday 7th October 1997

Signed

Date September 97.

ASPECTS OF YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Partnership - Cherwell District Council Charter for Parish Councils

Parish Councils are an important part of the Local Government process. There are 76 parishes in rural Cherwell; most have their own council, exercise their own responsibilities, and have the power to ask parishioners to pay a precept on the Council Tax.

Good working links across all councils are vital if services are to be delivered to best effect. To achieve this goal, Cherwell District Council (C.D.C.) has put together a Charter, with the aim of establishing clear, effective channels between itself and the Parish Councils to allow for dialogue and feedback on a wide range of issues within the working boundaries of Cherwell District Council.

The Charter was produced with the assistance of the Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils (OALC), and came into effect on April 1st this year. It immediately broadened the range of issues on which C.D.C. now consults Parish Councils.

Oxfordshire County Council has expressed an interest in the initiative and hopefully a joint Charter involving C.D.C. and O.C.C. should be published in the Autumn. This should, ultimately, enable much fuller cooperation and understanding between all levels of our Local Government.

Helen Morgan
Vice Chairman,
Begbroke Parish Council

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BEGBROKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER 1997 AT 7.45 PM.

Present:

Mr J Kershaw, Mrs H. Morgan, Mr B. Eastgate, Mr T. Holcroft.
Mrs S. Ganter District Councillor.

1. Apologies

Mrs C. Crellin, Mr B Wood, County Councillor.

2. Read and confirm Minutes of the last meeting.

- 2.1. The minutes of the meeting held on 5th August 1997 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman Mr Kershaw after the following changes
- 3.1. line 11/12 to read "included in the village cutting when the contract is relet"
- line 16, insert after "funds available" "OCC contribution would be approx £350 per annum"
- 3.4. line 2 "amount of free resources monies the Council was spending this year."
- This meeting was minuted by Mrs H. Morgan in the absence of Clerk on leave by arrangement.

3. Matters arising from the Minutes:

- 3.1. Mr Eastgate had checked the viability on the northern end of the service road with Mr & Mrs B. Hurrell and Dr & Mrs Morgan, moving the gateway northward approx. 100 yards. Some discussion on whether the Council should spend money on gateways rather than other more pressing issues, taking into consideration the lack of county money available and Mr Carritt's views about gateways. Mr Eastgate suggested that the quotes for cost be updated and the utilities contacted with regard to location. Mr Eastgate to provide appropriate maps. Then confirm with OCC the sites and full adoption of gateways to consider this issue at the next meeting when all information available.
- With regard to 7.2 Cherwell District Council street nameplates. Clerk to order new street nameplates for Begbroke Lane (2) Fernhill Road (2) and Springhill Road (2). Once in site, Parish Council to order "leading to" signs.
- 3.2. Ask "Rocol" for free test and COSHH report on their product. Ask Mr Perry if he knows product name of present anti-graffiti paint.
- 3.3. Photographs yet to be organised by Mrs Morgan - Mr Eastgate provided some taken earlier in the year from the heights of a "cherry picker" (these have USA data system).
- 3.4. In considering grants and possible adoption of the childrens play area the Council should be aware of the "free resource" value. £3.50 per elector x 590 electors = £2,065 (at present £1,750 free resource monies are given in grants).
- Grants allocated £500 to BVHMC, £300 to Sports & Social Club, £150 each to the Playgroup, St. Phillips Priory and WI. (Youth Club and St. Michael's Church have not applied). money to be held and reallocated at the end of the year if not used. £200 for "arts in the community" as previously agreed, this year for the January show (BVHMC).

- 3.5. Celebrating the Millennium. Only one suggestion from residents, also suggested reconstruction and re-establishment of village ponds along with upgrading the stream.
- 3.6. If gateways go ahead, Mr Eastgate to explain reasons and cost of village gateways.
- 3.7. Reports on meeting held by Shipton PC. A44 part of the routing agreement some 132 vehicles a day, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Planning consent deferred for one month, although recommended by planning authority. Mrs Ganter suggested a letter to all residents along Woodstock Road (A44) on behalf of A44 Action Group, Begbroke and Yarnton Parish Councils.

4. Reports from County and District Councillors.

Mrs Ganter reported that the footpaths from the Church towards Bladon had been ploughed in - requires walking to re-establish.

5. Planning.

Applications:

97/01320/F 16 Begbroke Crescent. single storey extension at front to form enlarged garage.

Decisions:

97/01105/F 22 Woodstock Road East. garage extension. Refused.

6. Council Representatives.

Neighbourhood Watch: Mrs H. Morgan. No report.

BVHMC: Mr B. Eastgate. AGM on 10th September. Parish Council to hold a public meeting requiring views of residents re adopting the childrens play area. Information required to make a decision.

A44 Action Group: No meeting.

7. Correspondence

- 7.1. OALC Clerk's salaries.
- 7.2. CDC. Street nameplates.
- 7.3. OCC car storage at Shipton on Cherwell.
- 7.4. A44 Action Group a) A40 Witney Bypass. b) Shipton Quarry
- 7.5. Shipton Quarry letter Dr. & Mrs Morgan.
- 7.6. OCC August News.
- 7.7. OCC Oxfordshire's Environment 97.
- 7.8. Rocol Graffiti Control System.
- 7.9. CDC Parish Partnership.
- 7.10 CDC Upper Heyford Planning Group.
- 7.11 OCC Bollards & Hedge Cutting.
- 7.12 W.I. Grants.
- 7.13 CDC. Rural Issues - helping to shape the future - Trevor Holcroft to attend and report next meeting.
- 7.14 OCC. Who's Who - Your County Councillors.
- 7.15 CDC The Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996. Order some stickers.

8. Financial Matters:

8.1. Balances as at 25th August 1997

C/A £31.59

D/A £7,618.32

8.2. Transfer required: £1,070.00

8.3. The following accounts are presented for payment:-

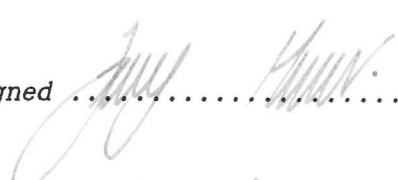
Begbroke WI	150.00
St Philip's Priory	150.00
Begbroke Playgroup	150.00
BVHMC	500.00
Mrs H. Hastings Clerks Salary (July)	120.28

9. Any Other Business:

- 9.1. Footpaths: Mrs Ganter to check maps at OCC re state of Begbroke Lane.
Contact Hugh Potter re shrubs and clearing Begbroke Lane as arranged
for Autumn. Arrange Parish Walk next meeting for Link.

Date of next meeting:

Tuesday 2nd September 1997 (Clerk will be unable to attend this meeting)
Tuesday 7th October 1997

Signed 

Date 7th October 1997

Notes on Parish Council Open Meeting 10 September 1997; held after BVHMC AGM

Present

Jim Kershaw, Brian Eastgate, Trevor Holcroft, Helen Morgan, approx. 15 members of public.

Meeting Chairman - Jim Kershaw.

Meeting to access electors' views on whether the Parish Council should adopt the children's playground, replacing and providing new equipment and regular maintenance.

Mr Kershaw stated that to replace the equipment at present on site would cost a possible £15,000 - £16,000.

The overall opinion was one of support that the PC should take over the cost of maintaining present equipment and improvement of the area. As the play area was a "whole village" facility, the costs should be covered by all households.

It was emphasised that care should be taken to keep it "in keeping" with the size of the village.

Mrs Barbara Grey suggested that the PC should visit Solden, South Newington, and/or Duns Tew, which were comparable small villages.

There was debate as to whether the play area was well used or not. It was felt that this depended on the time of day and day of the week, but it was agreed that the area acts as a meeting place and serves the whole community.

It was felt that the type of equipment should be carefully considered, possibly to include some which can be used by teenagers, and to include safety surfaces within the planning programme.

Mr Ron Perry expressed concerns about overall costs and asked the PC to plan the requirements carefully, taking into consideration grants and loans as well as precept monies.

Mr Brian Eastgate suggested that it may be a possible subject for the millennium project.

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BEGBROKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 7th OCTOBER 1997 AT 7.45 PM.

Present:

Mr J Kershaw, Mrs H. Morgan, ~~Mr B. Eastgate~~, Mr T. Holcroft, Mrs C. Crellin, Mrs M. Hastings, Mrs S. Ganter District Councillors, and Mr Barry Wood County Councillor.

1. Apologies

Mr B. Eastgate

2. Read and confirm Minutes of the last meeting.

- 2.1. The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd September 1997 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman Mr Kershaw.

3. Matters arising from the Minutes:

- 3.1. Road Issues/Gateways. Gateways: clerk to get up-dated quotes and write to utilities, Mrs Morgan to prepare site plan. Clerk confirmed the nameplates for Fernhill Road, Begbroke Lane and Springhill Road had been ordered. Clerk to contact Mr Colin Carritt at Highways regarding bollard outside shop which has been knocked down.
- 3.2. Bus shelter maintenance. Mr Buswell has submitted his invoice for payment and it was agreed the work had been done well. Clerk to order anti-graffiti solvent at £50 plus VAT from McDougal Rose in Kidlington and ask for a Cosh report.
- 3.3. Parish Conservation Plan. Official photographs of village. As soon as the leaves are off the trees Mrs Morgan will arrange to have the photographs taken, Clerk to inform residents in the Link report that this is to take place and suggest anyone not wishing their house to be photographed let her know as soon as possible.
- 3.4. Grants for village organisations. (7.1) St. Michael's Church have written asking for a grant, this was agreed as the money had already been set aside and gave a response to the Councils letter regarding the condition of the churchyard which the Council accepted. (7.18) The Council considered the WI's request for a larger grant but as the grants had already been allocated they suggested the WI arrange a travelling tutor class with their present grant to see what response they get, the costs involved and how many local residents attend, reporting back to the Council who may consider a larger grant next year if the class was well supported by local residents.
- 3.5. Celebrating the Millennium. As no further suggestions were forthcoming, it was agreed to look into reviving the ponds and Rowel Brook as part of the Conservation Plan. Clerk to write to NRA and ORCC for advice.
- 3.6. Aspects of the Parish Council, Link report. Mr Holcroft to make a report on the link between Parish Council and Village Hall Management Committee.
- 3.7. Victim Support. It was agreed to give a £10 donation.
- 3.8. Parish Boundary Review: Mrs Crellin had spoken to Mr Mitchell and Miss Wood, owners of the Toll Cottage, Woodstock Road West who would like to be included in the Parish of Begbroke. Clerk to write to Mr Rooke asking if this can be done.

- 3.9. ORCC do we wish to become members? It was agreed to join as they may be able to help with the cleaning of the brook and ponds.
- 3.10 OCC questionnaire "Review of the Parish News". Clerk filled in.
- 3.11 Adoption of children's playground. Clerk to find as much information as possible on all aspects of responsibility before the Council can make a decision.

4. Reports from County and District Councillors.

Mr Barry Wood gave Clerk his new address and gave details of the County budget capping.

Mrs Hastings confirmed the Shipton Quarry planning application had been refused and praised Mr Perry and the A44 Action Group who sent many letters. She also gave information of benefits which clerk will include in the Link. Mrs Ganter confirmed that CSE have been asked to comply with the noise amelioration scheme and if aircraft are not keeping to the flight paths residents should ring CSE giving details and aircraft number. If residents do not get response they expect, Mr Kershaw suggested they contact him and he will look into their complaint. Clerk to include this in the Link.

5. Planning.

Applications:

79/01714/OUT: Bride Hall Group, Hartwells site, Langford Lane, redevelopment.

97/01717/F: 22 Springhill Road, rear extension.

97/01628/F: 38 Woodstock Road, two storey extension.

Decisions:

97/00014/F- Shipton Quarry - storage of motor vehicles - refused.

97/01320/F- 16A Begbroke Crescent: single storey extension granted.

6. Council Representatives.

6.1. BVHMC. Trevor Holcroft - AGM held last month, they are keen for the playground to be taken over by Parish Council.

6.2. A44 Action Group. Helen Morgan - received report from OCC highways sub-committee which is to be circulated. They discussed the 50mph speed limit which looks more unlikely but are to keep pushing as the County Council are giving their support to a blanket 30mph speed limit through all villages. Request Parish Council write to David Young supporting their letter dated 2nd October, this was agreed. Mr Perry requested £15.00 in expenses as Chairman of the A44 Action Group and this was agreed.

6.3. Neighbourhood Watch. Helen Morgan. No report.

7. Correspondence

7.1. St. Michael's Church: application for grant/reply re complaint on condition of churchyard. (see 3.4)

7.2. CDC: Parish Boundary Review. (see 3.8)

7.3. OALC county circular. Circulated.

7.4. Oxfordshire Rural Action - questionnaire. Mrs Morgan to complete.

7.5. OCC. Road safety consultation. Circulated.

7.6. Oxfordshire Playing Fields Ass. booklet. Circulated.

7.7. OCC Children's services plan. Circulated.

7.8. Councillor David Buckle Chair of OCC. Meeting 8th October. Mr Kershaw and Clerk to attend.

7.9. CDC. Cards & Tributes to Diana Princess of Wales. Noted.

7.10. Caring Matters Autumn 97. Noted.

7.11. OCC Ring a Ride Service. - views if this service should be continued by 14th Oct. Clerk to reply asking them to keep present level of service.

7.12. OCC News Sept 1997. Circulated.

7.13. CDC: Tree Preservation Order (No. 9) 1997 Willow Tree at 22 Woodstock Road East. Reply by 17th Oct. Do not feel a preservation order is

necessary.

- 7.14 Oxfordshire Health Authority: Consultation proposal for the reconfiguration in Oxfordshire. Circulated.
- 7.15 The Planning Inspectorate. Appeal by CSE re 97/00097/F 2 No. portakabins. Circulated.
- 7.16 Citizens Advice: asking for donation and are looking for suitable new premises. Noted.
- 7.17 Glasdon winter leaflet. Circulated.
- 7.18 WI - re grants. (see 3.4)
- 7.19 CDC. Local Agenda 21. Circulated.
- 7.20 CDC. The childrens playground booklet.

8. Financial Matters:

8.1. Balances as at 25th September 1997

C/A £31.62

D/A £10,512.19

8.2. Transfer required: £600

8.3. The following accounts are presented for payment:-

Mrs H. Hastings: Clerk's salary (August)	£	120.28
Bruce Buswell		257.00
St. Michael's Church		150.00
ORCC (membership)		15.00
Victim Support (donation)		10.00
Mr Perry (A44 expenses)		15.00
McDougal Rose (paint)		50.00 ex VAT

Second half of precept paid on 15th September in the sum of £2,830.00.

9. Any Other Business:

9.1. Parish Walk: It was agreed to hold this on Boxing Day this year starting at 2pm, clerk to include this in the Link article.

9.2. Potato lorries parking on pavements: A number of complaints have been received, clerk to write to owner of house where deliveries are made asking owner to ensure lorries park on road.

9.3. Motorbikes on Cookson's land. Mr Kershaw had received a complaint from Mr Homer, 1 Foxglove Road regarding youths riding motorbikes (unlicenced) on Cookson's land and threatening old people whose homes back onto the fields. The youths had also been seen riding the bikes through the village after it is suspected filling up with petrol at the garage. Mr Kershaw to ask the local police officer to have a word with the owner of the garage to make him aware that he might be selling petrol to unlicenced vehicles. Mr Kershaw was looking at previous correspondence with Cookson's on this matter before contacting them.

Date of next meeting:

Tuesday 4th November 1997

Tuesday 2nd December 1997

Signed

Date 4th November 1997.

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TUESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 1997 AT 7.45PM.

Present:

Mr J. Kershaw, Mrs H. Morgan, Mr B. Eastgate, Mr T. Holcroft, Mrs C. Crellin,
Mrs S. Ganter District Councillor.

1. Apologies:

Mrs M. Hastings, District Councillor and Mr B. Woods County Councillor.

2. Read and confirm Minutes of the last meeting:

2.1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 7th October were confirmed as a
true record and signed by the Chairman, Mr Kershaw.

3. Matters arising from the Minutes:

3.1. Road Issues/Gateways. 7.19 Cherwell District Council will not replace
the street nameplates due to lack of finance but will refix the loose
plate in Fernhill Road.

Meeting with Oxfordshire County Council 22nd October: Mr Kershaw
reported that the clerk and himself attended the meeting and it was
confirmed that the County Council were not prepared to lower the speed
limit on the A44 to 50mph as was hoped or reduce the lanes in an effort
to slow traffic down. Mrs Morgan gave details of a village in
Staffordshire with a dual-carriageway running through it and a 50mph
speed limit was being enforced on the road. Mr Kershaw is to prepare
a letter to Shaun Woodward MP asking for his support on the continued
push for a 50mph speed limit, it was suggested that Mr Perry be asked
to check details before letter is sent.

Gateways: After discussion the Council agreed to ask for quotations
before making a final decision on whether to continue with this
project. Clerk to write to Utilities to check the siting will not
affect their pipeworks etc.

Footpath on Woodstock Road between Post Office and Fernhill Road
junction: Clerk to write to Colin Carritt asking how much the Parish
Council would be expected to contribute if the footpath was moved back
against the boundary walls on this stretch of pavement.

Mrs Ganter, Mrs Crellin and Mr Eastgate would like "No parking on
pavement stickers.

3.2. Bus Shelter: Clerk to chase anti-graffiti solvent from McDouglas Rose
in Kidlington.

3.3. Parish Conservation Plan: Official Photographs of village: It was
agreed that the Parish Council would buy the photographic film so that
the negatives would belong to the Council.

Begbroke Lane: It was agreed that the trees should be ordered so that
the County Council can arrange for them to be planted. Mr Eastgate and
Mrs Morgan to visit the site and agree number, type and size of shrubs
required and then clerk will order them from Nicholson Nurseries, at
the same time confirming order to Hugh Potter.



- 3.4. 7.7. The Council liked Mr Brough's suggestion and clerk to write to a) Cherwell District Council requesting a grant, b) Highways Authority for their permission to plant the trees in the verge of the A44 between Langford Lane and Yarnton roundabout.
- 3.5. Adoption of children's playground. Mr Kershaw photocopied the information from OPFA and asked councillors to read this before next meeting. Clerk to write to OPFA asking what grants are available, how to apply for them and if they could inspect the play equipment and give a report on the structural soundness. Brian Eastgate advised the Council that if the Parish Council did not adopt the play equipment, then the Village Hall Management Committee would have to consider removing it permanently because they may not have funds available to maintain the equipment to a safe standard. Mrs Morgan confirmed that Shoulden village have excellent facilities and have a population of only 300. Clerk to write to Cornhill Insurance asking what the affect would be on the insurance policy if the Council took over the play equipment, ask if they would make an inspection and give a revised insurance quote after their inspection. Clerk to write to OPFA asking if they can inspect the play equipment. It was agreed to include a sum of money in the precept for the playground.
- 3.6. Public Enquiry: Planning Application made by Solid State Logic: Tuesday 24th February 1997. To be discussed at next meeting.
- 3.7. Clerk's Salary: It was agreed to increase the clerks salary in accordance with the OALC's recommendations and give back pay from April 97 in the sum of £36.00. Clerk to write to OALC asking how the annual salary increase is agreed once clerk reaches top scale.
- 3.8. Motorbikes on Cookson's land: Mr Kershaw to draft a letter to Director of Cooksons on the problem.
- 3.9. New Parish Councillor. Clerk to check with Cherwell District Council if the Council is obliged to inform Mr Day that they intend to advertise to replace him on the Council. Clerk to advertise this in the January Link, on the notice board and in shop.

4. Reports from County and District Councillors:

Mrs Ganter informed the Council that British Waterways are renewing the lock gates at Roundham Lock between 10-28 November and Kidlington Green Lock between the 12-23 January.

5. Planning Applications:

No applications or decisions were received.

6. Council Representations:

- 6.1. BVHMC: Mr Holcroft confirmed they are still in discussion with the social club and are setting up a new social club which will be relaunched in the New Year with the licence hopefully granted in December
- 6.2. A44 Action Group: Mrs Morgan reported that Mr Perry is meeting the road safety officer and Colin Carritt in the near future.
- 6.3. Neighbourhood Watch: Mrs Morgan reported on the problem of youths playing chicken on the A44 outside the flats behind bus stop and causing a nuisance to residents. Mrs Morgan is cleaning out bin by bus stop in an effort to stop youths throwing rubbish everywhere. Clerk to check with Cherwell District Council if they are emptying bin by bus stop as it does not appear to be emptied at present. At the same time ask if they are able to empty the new yellow bins.



7. Correspondence

- 7.1. W.I. Thank you for grant. Noted.
- 7.2. CPRE - Green Belt Network meeting (19 Nov.) Mrs Crellin to attend.
- 7.3. Yarnton Scout Group -requesting donation. It was agreed to give them £40 donation because a third of the club are Begbroke children.
- 7.4. CDC - Upper Heyford Base - Cancellation of meeting. Noted.
- 7.5. CDC - half term holiday sports programme - displayed. Noted.
- 7.6. Nicholason Nurseries - brochure. (see 3.3.)
- 7.7. Colin Brough, 16 Fernhill Road. Suggestion for millennium. (see 3.4)
- 7.8. Betty Roberts - Crossroads requesting help with publicity. Noted.
- 7.9. OCC. Structure Plan 2011 - Report available on request. Noted.
- 7.10. OCC. News Oct. 97 Circulated.
- 7.11. Oxfordshire Playing Fields Association. - Playground information. (see 3.5)
- 7.12. OCC Posted re fireworks - displayed. Noted.
- 7.13. ORCC - Oxfordshire Rural Community Council - membership scheme. Circulated.
- 7.14. CDC: Meeting with Parish Authorities 20/11/97. Mrs Morgan to attend.
- 7.15. Environment Agency - Action Plan and Questionnaire.
- 7.16. CDC: Dog fouling notices. Noted.
- 7.17. Victim Support - thank you for donation. Noted.
- 7.18. OCC:acknowledgement cards. Noted.
- 7.19. CDC: Street nameplates (see 3.1)
- 7.20. CDC: Publications list. Circulated.
- 7.21. Civil Protection magazine. Circulated.

8. Financial Matters:

8.1. Balances as at 25th October 1997

Current Account:* £524.70 Moneymaster Account £8,842.19
 * after uncleared cheques balance £64.70

8.2. Transfer required: £800.00p

8.3. The following accounts are presented for payment:-

Mrs H. Hastings, clerk's salary	120.28
Mrs H. Hastings, clerk's expenses	106.97
Oxfordshire County Council (Road signs)	449.00
BVHMC Hall rent (June-Aug)	25.20
Mrs H. Hastings, clerk's backpay	36.00
Yarnton Scout Group	40.00

9. Any Other business:

BVHMC - Mr Holcroft thanked the Parish Council for their donation to the BVHMC.

10. Date of Next Meeting:

Tuesday 2nd December 1997

Tuesday 6th January 1997

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BEGBROKE PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BEGBROKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 2ND DECEMBER 1997 AT 7.45PM.

Present:

Mr J. Kershaw, Mrs H. Morgan, T. Holcroft, Mrs S. Ganter District Councillor and Mr B Wood, County Councillor.

1. Apologies:

Mr B. Eastgate, Mrs C. Crellin and Mrs M. Hastings, District Councillor.

2. Read and confirm Minutes of the last meeting:

- 2.1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 4th November were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman, Mr Kershaw.

3. Matters arising from the Minutes:

- 3.1. Road Issues/Gateways. Mr Kershaw had not been able to draft the letter to Shaun Woodward MP. Mrs Morgan reported that the A44 Action Group had met Colin Carrit and the Road Safety Officer on the 26th November to discuss the 50mph speed limit and reported that a reduced speed limit was a long way off. It was agreed to close the outside lane approaching Begbroke roundabout on the northbound carriageway using white hatched lines. This is to be a trial to see if this reduces the speed at which traffic negotiate the roundabout and will be done within the next couple of months. If the trial is a success, they will introduce the line on the southbound carriageway and at the approach to Yarnton roundabout.
Gateways: two quotes have been received but because only three Councillors were present, no decision was made. These are to be discussed at the next meeting.
- 3.2. Bus Shelter: Clerk confirmed solvent should be ready to collect on Friday and will ask for a ~~Chosh~~ report. Clerk to write to Mr Buswell asking him to give a price for removing the graffiti with the solvent, sending him a copy of the cosh report. Clerk had rung Cherwell District Council regarding emptying the bin by the bus stop, they confirmed they do empty it and will empty the yellow bins as long as they are given the key to open the top.
- 3.3. Parish Conservation Plan: Official Photographs of village: It was agreed that the volunteer photographers should be given a letter from the Clerk confirming they were taking photographs on behalf of the Parish Council as part of the conservation plan.
- 3.4. Millenium. Clerk to write to Mr Bough asking if he would like to prepare a draft site plan within the village signs, giving details of species with their mature height and spread as a basis on which the Council could work from. Item 7.12 was discussed but it was suggested that with global warming the ponds and brook may not keep water even if cleaned out and that the tree scheme seemed the better option.
- 3.5. Adoption of children's playground. The management are still keen for the Council to take the playground over. Clerk to write to OPFA thanking them for the information they sent but asking if they can inspect the equipment as was requested in our letter, a similar letter to be sent to Cornhill Insurance asking that they inspect as soon as possible and let us have a revised insurance quote before the next meeting.

- 3.6. Public Enquiry: Planning Application made by Solid State Logic: Tuesday 24th February 1997. It was agreed the Parish Council should make a written statement. Mr Kershaw will prepare this.
- 3.7. Motorbikes on Cookson's land: Mr Kershaw had not been able to draft a letter to Cooksons.
- 3.8. New Parish Councillor. Clerk to write to Mr Day at his last known address confirming his position on the council will be advertised.
- 3.9. Potato Lorry. Clerk to write to Cherwell District Council asking why the garage of this property is in front of the building line and confirm that the lorry delivering to his business is causing a nuisance to residents using the footpath.

4. Reports from County and District Councillors:

Mrs Ganter confirmed she was concerned about the application for 43 houses in Sandy Lane, Yarnton and had written a report, a copy of which was given to the Council. She confirmed a number of people were concerned and that she had been in touch with Cherwell on this matter. The main concern was the narrow road width from the A44 where two cars cannot pass easily and that no footpath exists nor is there the possibility of one being put in. She gave the Council her report on the meeting with the Parish Authorities. She brought to the Council's attention the problem of a pedlar who was rather aggressive and may have frightened old people living on their own. Suggested PC Dean Maskell be asked to do a report.

Mr Barry Woods gave a break down on the financial situation at County Hall which looked very bleak. Suggested the Council allow a figure for contingencies in the precept as the County will be very hard stretched for cash and if Parishes ask for work to be carried out they may need to contribute towards the cost.

5. Planning Applications:

Applications:

97/01980/F 20 Fernhill Road - Demolish existing dwelling and erect new detached dwelling. (HM)

97/01925/F Land East of Sandycroft, Sandy Lane, Yarnton - proposed development of 43 detached dwellings etc.

Decisions:

38 Woodstock Road East - Withdrawn by applicants.

97/01717/F 22 Springhill Road - granted.

6. Council Representations:

- 6.1. BVHMC: Mr Holcroft confirmed they are putting together a draft constitution for the new social club and the Sports & Social Club have agreed to give up their licence in favour of the new club. They have put in their application for the new licence in the name of Begbroke Village Social Club. They have had a meeting with Morrells Brewery who have looked at the bar facilities.
- 6.2. A44 Action Group: Discussed under 3.1.
- 6.3. Neighbourhood Watch: Mrs Morgan reported on the meeting held on the 12th November, she will now be the shadow representative for Yarnton, Begbroke and Cassington in an effort to improve communication with the police.
- 6.4. Meeting of the Green Belt Network. Mrs Crellin had prepared a report which was circulated.

7. Correspondence

- 7.1. Cherwell DC. Temporary use of buildings - RAF Upper Heyford. Noted.
- 7.2. Cherwell DC. Postponement of meeting Base Planning Forum. Noted.
- 7.3. OCC - Tree planting - A44 (millennium). (see 3.4)
- 7.4. Cherwell DC. Millennium Grants. (see 3.4)
- 7.5. Cherwell DC. Draft electoral register. Circulated.

- 7.6. Cherwell DC. Provision of dog litter bins. Noted.
- 7.7. Begbroke Post Office: copy of letter sent to Cherwell DC ? Noted.
- 7.8. Thames Valley Police, teenage facilities. Circulated.
- 7.9. OPFA, grants. (see 3.5)
- 7.10 Arch & Bishop: estimate for gateways. (see 3.1)
- 7.11 David Beecroft Ltd: estimate for gateways. (see 3.1.)
- 7.12 Environment Agency. Rowel Brook - millennium. (see 3.4.)
- 7.13 OCC - A44 speed limit etc (see 3.1.)
- 7.14 Cooperative Bank Noted.
- 7.15 Yarnton & Begbroke Allotment Association - requesting grant aid. Noted.
- 7.16 OCC - Ack. cards. Noted.
- 7.17 Oxfordshire Buildings Preservation Trust Ltd. restoration of buildings and offering grants. Noted.
- 7.18 OCC. reminder payment for road signs. Cheque sent crossed in post.
- 7.19 Cherwell DC. Community Hall, Recreation & Countryside Grants. Circulated.
- 7.20 Cherwell DC. 11 Nov. -2 minute silence. Noted.
- 7.21 Cherwell DC. Leaflet for Christmas sports - notice board. Noted.
- 7.22 Cherwell DC. Programme - meeting with parish authorities 20 November. Noted. Mrs Morgan unable to attend.
- 7.23 OALC AGM - postponed. new meeting 19th January 1998. Noted.
- 7.24 OCC - Library Service Consultation response by 24th December. Mr Kershaw to respond.
- 7.25 OCC Factsheets Circulated.
- 7.26 Bride Hall - traffic impact assessment - P/A Hartwell site. Noted.
- 7.27 OCC - News etc. Circulated.
- 7.28 McNicholas Fencing
- 7.29 PC Dean Maskell - crime figures for last 3 months. Circulated.
- 7.30 Yarnton Scout Group: thank you letter.
- 7.31 Caring Matters leaflet. Noted.
- 7.32 OALC - Clerks salary - Noted.
- 7.33 Sustrains - new stone surface for Begbroke Lane, Mrs Morgan to respond.

8. Financial Matters:

8.1. Balances as at 25th November 1997

C/A £7.61. D/A £8,042.19

8.2. Transfer required: 150.00

8.3. The following accounts are presented for payment:-

Mrs H. Hastings: Clerk's salary (October)	£	120.28
Douglas Rose		50.00 + VAT

9. Any Other business:

10. Date of Next Meeting:

Tuesday 6th January 1998

Tuesday 3rd February 1998

signed 

dated 6th January 1998