

Minutes of the Special Meeting of Milton Parish Council held  
on Tuesday 16th April 1985 in Milton Primary School at 7.30pm.

Present: Mrs. B. C. Waterson (in the chair), R. Day, W. D. Booth,  
A. D. J. Bull, H. A. Capitain, P. Harrold, Mrs. L. M. Lock,  
G. Patten, P.D. Rice, Mrs. J. Westwood and the clerk,  
S. J. Daniels.

Apologies for absence were received from K. P. Humphries.

1. 6328 Banking Arrangements. The high interest cheque account  
(6315) was free of charges providing three or fewer withdrawals  
were made per quarter. It was agreed therefore to transfer  
all money from the deposit account into this high interest  
account. The clerk would keep the withdrawals to three  
per quarter.
  
2. 6329 Community Centre. The chairman opened the discussion by  
(6304) commenting that in her opinion the project could not  
be divorced from the proposals put forward at the previous  
meeting (min.6302). The options appeared to be:
  - (1) wait three years in the hope that the supermarket  
plans come to pass together with £200,000, or
  - (2) ignore the supermarket scheme and continue with  
the Coles Road project.
 Considerable discussion ensued.  
 The clerk had spoken to Mr. Sheppard and he was prepared  
to build whatever the village wants on the new recreation  
ground. He would build a sports hall/community centre to  
the value of £200,000 or a sports pavilion plus tennis  
courts and give the remainder of the £200,000 in cash, or  
indeed he would give the £200,000 in cash (providing that  
the supermarket scheme was successful).  
 G.P. wondered whether a community centre only should be  
built on Coles Road assuming that the village's sports  
needs could be met on the new recreation ground.  
 S.B.P. pointed out that the present scheme was a compromise  
i.e. a community centre that looks like a sports hall.  
 R.D. proposed, L.M.L. seconded that the council continue with  
the present project and that if the proposed supermarket  
is accepted and money becomes available then it could be used  
to offset the loan on the Coles Road centre.  
 There were 7 votes in favour and 2 against.

Some discussion arose as to whether a referendum should  
be held throughout the village <sup>re: Supermarket</sup>. It was felt appropriate to  
gauge the feeling of the APM first.

ADJB proposed, GP seconded that council ascertain the feeling  
of the APM re: the supermarket scheme and the £200,000 offer  
and that Mr. Sheppard be invited to the APM to put forward  
his proposals, together with Mr. Hardwick.

RD proposed PH seconded an amendment that S. Sillery also be  
invited to give the Planning Authority's view.  
 This was unanimously agreed.

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A letter had been received from the sports council which suggested various improvements to the scheme such as increased storage space and rearrangement of the kitchen/bar facilities. The cost of £360 per sq. metre was considered "realistic for a building of this type".

SBP had figures for John Willmott Ltd. The figures for the two firms were as follows:

	<u>J &amp; B</u>	<u>Willmott</u>
Site "A" (NE corner)	£250,000	£202,000(exc. pilings)
Site "B" (car park)	£225,000	£182,000

SBP felt that there was some discrepancy with the J&B site B figure. The Willmott building was slightly smaller than the J&B. For site A an extra £30,000 would need to be added for piling and for an enlarging of the building. When everything was taken into consideration there would appear to be little difference in costs.

Before deciding between the two firms it was agreed to make a definite decision on the siting.

RD had contacted two landscape gardeners both of whom felt that the building could be adequately screened by a mound and trees, on site B. HAC was very much opposed to this site. It was felt an argument between costs and environmental considerations. Whereas money could be found environmental "horrors" could not be reversed. RD felt that a saving of £30,000 of ratepayers money was very important. PDR suggested that it was wise spending to save the habitat.

RD then proposed that the centre be built on site B. As there was no seconder for the motion the previous minute(6271) remained. The centre would therefore be built on site A.

RD propped, LML seconded and all agreed that council accept Willmott's provisional quotation of 4th April 1985 subject to satisfactory amendments.

The clerk would inform the respective firms of this decision.

Finally, a letter from Mr. Smith of SCDC confirmed a further grant of £10,000.

The chairman thanked members for attending. The meeting closed at 9.50pm.

signed... Beryl C. Waterson (Mrs).....Chairman.....13-5-85.....Date

I BERYL CATHERINE WATERSON HEREBY DECLARE THAT I  
ACCEPT THE OFFICE OF CHAIRMAN OF MILTON PARISH COUNCIL  
FOR THE YEAR 1985/86

Beryl C. Waterson (Mrs)

THE ABOVE DECLARATION WAS SIGNED IN MY PRESENCE ON THIS

Day May 13th 1985.....One thousand  
nine hundred and eighty five

Daniel (clerk)