

Minutes of the Meeting of Milton Parish Council held on Monday 6th March 2006 at 7.30pm in the Bowls Pavilion

Present: JE Coston (chair) PS Badley (till min 141/06 inc) AJ Campbell (till min 144/06 inc) RH Chapman IL Davis R Day M Ellwood RJ Farrington IF May (till min 144/06 inc) PK Oldham J Payne HM Smith RT Summerfield RLE Waters
The clerk and 1 member of the public (part)

Public Participation – none

1 Apologies for absence – B Jefferson CC M Williamson

122/06 **2 Minutes** – Min 90/06 the line “Emails sent to the chair@miltonvillage.org.uk would be forwarded as a matter of course to the clerk” was deleted. The minutes of the meeting of 6th February 2006 were then approved and signed as a true record.

123/06 **3 Declarations of Interest**
personal - RHC item 14 min 148/06; ME allotments min 142/06.

124/06 **4 County Councillor’s report**
MW had been in hospital. JEC would send him a card and a gift from MPC.

125/06 **5 District Councillors’ reports**
Tomkins Mead – M Busby had arranged for volunteers from Eversheds Station Road to carry out tasks on 17th and 18th March. Councillors were welcome to help.
Meeting with Tesco – disabled car parking was to be moved closer to the store entrance; CCTV had been installed in the passageway – fewer problems occurred there now; trolleys were designed to prevent removal from the site; a recent incident of selling alcohol to an under age person had happened; trees (min 16/06) see min 140/06 below.
Traffic congestion – businesses were suffering because of the road works at the A10/A14 interchange. The clerk would write to A. Frost CCC to suggest that future road works at the Science Park/Taylor Vinters should be co-ordinated with the road works at the Arbury camp development.
Food van – HMS was investigating whether the Mexican food van could be regulated under the Consent Street.
Police Neighbourhood Panel – local crime hotspots were identified – Tesco, The Rowans and The Sycamores and Waterbeach Station problems (including bike theft and traffic).
There had been technical problems with the e-cops scheme.
Eastern Electricity Ely Road – the site was due to be sold – 13 acres of land at the rear could be available for recreational purposes (min 143/06 refers).
Polluted ditch – the EHO was investigating the source of sewage in the ditch between Chesterton Fen and the River Cam.
Noise - the EHO had identified the Cambridge News as the source of the recent early morning noise. There had been improvements.
Sandy Park – retention of gypsy caravan site and access road Chesterton Fen Road - application had been withdrawn. A new application would be submitted (probably for a temporary period so that the Planning Authority could assess needs as per Government Circular 1/2006) once a Flood Risk Assessment has been carried out.
District Elections – a change in the frequency of elections was being proposed (at present a third of Council is voted each year). Consultation till 28th April.
Country Park – finances were semi-confidential. SCDC cabinet deferred a decision about the management of the Park. S McIntosh was putting together documents to send out to interested parties. Council would ask for a copy. Noted that the chairman had received a copy letter from Cambridge Mencap to the leader of SCDC re County Park. The recent Country Park Advisory Group meeting had been postponed.
Park & Ride – two preferred sites for re-location of Cowley Road were north and south of Butt Lane. Consultation period till end of April.

126/06 **6 Clerk's/Chairman’s report**
Highways - potholes in Fen Road had been repaired.

127/06 Community Care - suggested meeting date 21st March 2006.

128/06 Crime – nothing to report.

129/06 Milestone – work to be done in April/May.

130/06 Guided bus – noted that exhibitions were being held in various locations.

131/06 Clerk's audit – hours worked: Week 1 - 21.75, Week 2 – 25, Week 3 – 15.25, Week 4 – 21: February 83 in total.

132/06 Fen Road – litter - SCDC picked litter from Fen Road every 6 months and would respond to specific requests.

133/06 Baits Bite Lock:

- Conservation area - Draft Policy for extension of conservation area received – additional area to the East and South of the present Conservation Area, including Biggin Abbey.

- Mooring policy - the Cam Conservators confirmed that there had been no change in the their mooring policy. Mooring for longer than 48 hours was not permitted anywhere on this stretch.

134/06 Standards Committee – SCDC Standards Committee intended appointing one extra Parish Council member. Council members closely connected to district councillors were not allowed to be appointed.

7 Planning

135/06 (506/05) All Saints' Church – yew tree – work on this tree had been suspended to allow a new application to be submitted.

136/06 Building r/o 12 Fen Road – Planning Officer reported that the wooden building recently erected was within permitted rights and did not need planning permission.

137/06 (84-85/06) Milton Parish Council's applications - It was reported that the SCDC Development Control Committee had refused Council's two applications. Landbeach PC had opposed the application. HMS and RTS had to leave the meeting and were not therefore allowed to speak.

New Applications

138/06 (51/06) S/0010/06 R Boyd 6 High Street – amended window arrangement on north east elevation – **for information only**.

139/06 (103-4/06) S/0120/06/LB and 0121/06 I Jones 32 Fen Road – amendments to roof lights, fenestration and tiles – **for information only**.

140/06 S/0224/06 Amgen UK Ltd Units 214, 216 and 240 Science Park – covered walkway link and timber decked terrace – **no recommendation**.

141/06 (109/06) S/0032/06 Cambridge Sports Lake Trust – land between Milton and Waterbeach in the parishes of Milton, Landbeach and Waterbeach – change of use of land to create a multi-sport park, construction of lakes with water storage, canal, new and changed roads, cycling and BMX tracks, bridges (3), engineering operations, embankments and landscaping and outline permission to construct a sports centre, boathouse, finish line towers (2), warden accommodation (2) and amenity blocks (3).

Refuse (Comments attached) 8 votes in favour, 3 against and 3 abstentions. HMS and RTS abstained.

142/06 (94/06) 8 Maintenance

The clerk reported that Ted Easy had not done any work to repair the roadway (min 112/06).

Concern was expressed about the graffiti in the bus shelter (113/06) - to be discussed at April meeting.

The tree work at The Sycamores had been done. RLEW had asked Burleigh Contractors to quote for work adjacent Tesco wall and near the cricket nets.

143/06 9 Youth

Fire - The portacabin building was burnt down Wednesday evening 22nd February. It was believed that intruders had been in the building. Thanks to Balfour Beatty for erecting a fence around the shell on the 23rd.

Thanks also to RHC for an excellent job in quickly removing all the debris to the landfill site – cost £1,015.07 + VAT paid to Waste Recycling Group and £500 + VAT to RHC making a total of £1,515.07 + VAT.

The clerk and RJF had met with the loss adjuster and the insurance claim was proceeding. MPC would pay MCC (from the insurance claim) for fire damage caused to the sports pavilion. CCTV should be considered for new building.

Disappointment was expressed at the poor attendance at the youth club from April to December.

The clerk would ask Julian Ayres for a copy of the recent Patch inspection.

Update on new building - Garfield Weston (a charity) had paid £5,000 to MCC towards the project. HMS was asking Evolve EB (administrators of Donarbon landfill tax) for the remaining £20,000. Work could start at the beginning of May.

(121/06) **Project Management - AGREED** to close the meeting under the Admission to Meetings Act 1960 as contracts were being discussed – (min 106/05).

AGREED

to accept the quotation submitted by Ian Kendall Associates Ltd.
9 votes in favour 4 abstentions.

The meeting was re-opened.

144/06 **10 Parish Council Office – update**

Cornhill would insure bowls building, office and all contents but would not insure the office separately. The chair and clerk would discuss with Julie Gray, MCC. **Action: JEC and the clerk**

The building had not been completed because it had taken a long time for it to dry out. Carpet was due to be laid during week starting 6th March.

RLEW declared an interest for this item.

The bowls club wished to put up fire retardant roller blinds including replacing one damaged by vandals - cost £188 + VAT and asked if Council would pay half as per the Agreement Section 1.5:

“1.5 General maintenance of the Bowls Pavilion will be agreed by both parties before any works commence and costs will be shared equally between MOBC and MPC.”

The chairman and clerk would investigate whether an insurance claim could be made.

Action: JEC and the clerk

PKO chaired the meeting for the following item:

AGREED

that JEC should open the office and that the clerk order a plaque for the wall.

(1 abstention) **Action: the clerk**

145/06 **11 Land update**

JEC had not been able yet to contact the College of West Anglia. Details of the land behind EDF Energy were not yet available.

The chairman and clerk would pursue. **Action: JEC and the clerk**

146/06 **12 CCC- Waste Management Site Consultation**

Deferred to the April meeting. Re-location of sewage works was being investigated.

147/06 **13 MCC Update**

The committee were looking at three variations of the MCC refurbishments. Cost would be approximately £120,000.

JEC and RJF would arrange a joint meeting. **Action: the clerk**

148/06 **14 Bills for Payment and Money Received**

CONFIRMED - payment of cheques 3195 – 3198 and minibus cheque 29

AGREED - to pay cheques 3199 – 3211 (2 abstentions)

14906 **15 Correspondence**

SCDC	-	Race Equality Scheme (RES)
		comments welcomed by 7 th April
CALC	-	Bulletin / Meeting 2 nd March
		Issues: street lighting, legal advice,
		Cleaner Neighbourhood Act
ACRE	-	Parish Plans open evening 21 st March
CCC	-	Rights of Way Improvement Plan
CCC	-	Streetscape Consultation (Cambridge City)

150/06 **16 Dates of Next Meetings**

Planning 20th March
Council 3rd April 7pm. PKO objected to the early start.

The meeting ended at 10.35pm.

Chairman.....

Date.....