

Minutes of the Meeting of Milton Parish Council held on Monday 5 April 2004 at 7.30pm in the Community Centre

- Present: PK Oldham (chair) HM Smith EH Baker RH Chapman JE Coston IR Cowley
R Day RJ Farrington B Jefferson CJ Lock IF May RT Summerfield RLE Waters
The clerk SJ Daniels
- 126/04 **1 Inspector Ormerod** – Inspector Ormerod was unable to attend. He hoped to attend the June meeting.
- 2 Apologies for absence** - M Ellwood LC Twinn (illness)
- 127/04 **3 Declarations of Interest** – a letter received from C Taylor legal officer SCDC clarified the position for MCC and minibus committee members.
- 128/04 **4 Minutes** - of the meeting of 1 March 2004 were approved and signed as a true record.
- 4 Clerk's Report**
- 129/04 Butt Lane Junction
(92/04) Improvements were now being carried out including resurfacing High Street. JEC reported that resurfacing of Cambridge Road/High Street was not in the 2004/05 budget. The clerk would write to the County Council expressing Council's disappointment.
Action: the clerk
- 130/04 Community Care - Barnabas Court
(94/04) A report of the meeting with Stephen Dunn of Cambridge Housing Society had been circulated and noted.
- The application pack for the post of scheme manager including the updated job description was received.
- Noted that a joint review would be conducted after the appointment of the new manager.
- 131/04 Country Park – Car Parking Charges
(113/04) Letter from SCDC: no decision had yet been taken about car parking charges. SCDC would not want to take action which would cause problems for neighbouring residents. MPC would be consulted if proposals were formulated.
- 132/04 **6 Planning**
 The minutes of the Planning meeting of 22 March 04 were received and noted.
 Decisions Received - none
- New Applications
- 133/04 S/0553/04 Napp Pharmaceutical Holdings Ltd – Unit 183 Science Park – extension to fenced air conditioning compound to accommodate 2 new units – **no recommendation.**
- 134/04 S/0535/04 Mr & Mrs Parkins Meadow Farm Ely Road Waterbeach [in the Parish of Milton] – single storey side extension for disabled person's use – **no recommendation.**
- 135/04 S/0600/04 Mr N Patel 138 The Rowans – single storey front extensions - **no recommendation.**

136/04

7 Youth

The minutes of the Youth Committee meetings of 11 and 23 March were received. Noted that the tender return date was now 21 April. The appointment of a Planning Supervisor (legal requirement) at a cost of £500 during the construction of the youth building was **CONFIRMED** – to be paid from the remainder of the portacabin capital fund – 10 votes in favour and 3 abstentions.

137/04

8 Risk Assessment

A risk assessment schedule had been circulated. PKO would confirm the implications under the Data Protection Act for those holding the youth records.

Action: PKO

AGREED

to adopt the procedures reviewed by the Finance Committee (min 38/04).

138/04

9 Roundabout near Tesco

A letter from Bob Menzies of the County Council commented that the signs should not distract motorists and that there was no record of safety issues being attributed to them.

He apologised for not consulting the Parish Council and had no record of the Parish Council having a 'Licence to Cultivate'.

The County Council presently received no revenue from Marketing Force in respect of the sponsorship. The benefit received was enhanced maintenance at no cost.

AGREED

to write to Brian Smith Director of Environment and Transport asking that that the signs be removed and pointing out that:

- 15 roundabouts had been identified at the South Cambs Environment and Transport Area Joint Committee meeting dated 10 March 2003. The roundabout at Milton was not one of them.
- This roundabout had been receiving "enhanced maintenance" for 13 years – 18 cuts during the year – at **no** cost to the County Council.
- The signs on such a small roundabout were prominent and a distraction to motorists and as such contravened the "Traffic Signs and General Directions" regulations. If the signs had been designed that they "...should not distract motorists" then the advertisers were not getting value for money as the objective of advertising is to **attract** our attention.

The clerk would enclose a copy of the Licence to Cultivate and relevant correspondence.

Action: the clerk

139/04

10 Annual Parish Meeting 26 April 8pm – usual format.

140/04

11 MCC Update

Main meeting 5 May. Finance, Recreation and Buildings committees were due to meet. The Buildings committee would look at the Community Centre refurbishment and extension, the present and proposed youth buildings.

Cornhill were refusing to insure the garage and store at The Sycamores as from 1 October unless an adequate alarm system was installed. MCC were investigating ways of solving this problem.

141/04

12 Bills for Payment and Money Received

CONFIRMED payment of cheques 2737 – 2742
AGREED payment of cheques 2744 – 2763 (ch 2743 cancelled)
 – 1 abstention

Noted that Milton Charities had granted £300 towards the trolley bus.

142/04

13 County Councillor's report

Highways - S Mallott and other staff had left the employment of the County Council. Matters in hand: the poor state of Cambridge Road / High Street and the speed hump, new signs to entrance of village and 30mph roundels.

Northern Fringe – JEC was trying to arrange a meeting for 28 April.

Crane Industrial Estate – the site was being cleared.

Street Light – behind 130 The Rowans was now installed. The clerk reported that SCDC had approved a grant of £271.17.

Cycle Bridge – opening date to be made known on 6 April. Landscaping would take place in the Autumn. SCDC were looking into improving the entrance to the Country Park. Planting schemes for the industrial estate road had not been approved.

Guided Bus – over 1000 objections had been received.

Crime Figures – received but no details included. It was suggested that Council should write to the police expressing concern over the lack of communication about the recent damage that occurred during a wedding reception and the presentation of the unsatisfactory crime figures. Concern was expressed about Council's commitment to crime prevention.

143/04

14 District Councillor's report

Field adjacent A14/Tesco – a proposal to build a restaurant/hotel on this land was being put forward.

Kitchen Waste Bins – SCDC were proposing to include kitchen waste in the green bin collection and to provide mini bins for the kitchen on demand. It was **AGREED** to ask SCDC to deliver bins to the Village Fayre on 11 July for distribution.

144/04

15 Correspondence

ACRE	-	Village of the Year Competition
Dti and defra	-	Broadband in rural communities
Cambs Police Authority	-	Budget Decision and Consultation by Home Office re future structure for policing
Boundary Committee	-	Electoral Review: Draft recommendations on electoral arrangements for Cambs County Council
Care Network	-	March newsletter

16 Dates of Next Meetings

Community Care	tba
Play	14 April
Finance	19 April
APM/Planning	26 April
Council [APCM]	10 May

The meeting ended at 8.45pm.

Signed.....Chairman.....Date