

Minutes of the Meeting of Milton Parish Council held on Monday 5 September 2005 at 7.30pm in the Bowls Pavilion

Present: JE Coston (chair) RH Chapman R Day M Ellwood
 RJ Farrington (from 362/05 - apologies for lateness) B Jefferson IF May
 HM Smith RT Summerfield RLE Waters
 County Councillor M Williamson (part) + 5 members of the public (items 1-4)
 The clerk SJ Daniels

Public Participation

Residents from Church Lane expressed their disquiet about the proposal for double yellow lines in Church Lane. It was suggested that the pavement be removed to allow parking.

AGENDA

- 324/05 **1 Apologies for absence** - CJ Lock PK Oldham J Payne. The chairman announced that Paul and Beth had married and were away on honeymoon. Congratulations from all.
- 325/05 **2 Declarations of Interest** – JEC item 9; the clerk reported that he would leave the meeting for planning application S/1573/05.
- 326/05 **3 County Councillor’s report** – (items 3 and 4 were brought forward).
 Hedge at southern end of foot/cycle bridge to be cut back.
 MW would monitor double yellow lines proposal at Church Lane (item 4).
 JEC brought to MW’s attention the safety audit for the bridge re zebra crossing and double yellow lines at the Milton end.
- 327/05 **4 District Councillor’s Report – Double Yellow Lines Church Lane**
 Copy letter from EACH (Hospice) received suggesting double yellow lines in Church Lane. Copy letters from residents objecting to the proposal were received. Council **AGREED** to support the views of the residents. Noted that in the time that the Hospice had been in Milton no-one could recall any difficulty experienced by emergency vehicles in getting through or indeed large builders lorries during construction works there. Council were very concerned that the introduction of double yellow lines would penalise the residents of Church Lane and therefore opposed this proposal. *Action: the clerk*
- 328/05 **5 Casual Vacancy - Co-option of new Councillor** - Ian Davis was unanimously elected.
- 329/05 **6 Minutes** - The minutes of the meeting of 18 July were approved and signed as a true record.
- 330/05 **7 Clerk's/Chairman’s Report**
 (184/05) Tsunami accounts – accounts had been received. A total of £15,691 was collected.
 331/05 Land – date for a meeting to discuss land purchase was still to be arranged.
 (308/05) Play Inspections – ROSPA would inspect play areas in April 2005.
 332/05 Remembrance Ceremony - 11 November. **AGREED** to invite the school and the
 (315/05) police to the ceremony. *Action: the clerk*
 333/05
- 334/05 Christmas arrangements – RHC would arrange putting up of lights.
- 335/05 Crime - noted that PC Shulver and PCSO Hains were taking over Chesterton Fen. **AGREED** to complain that there had not been a visible police presence in the village recently. Letter to Mark Hopkins, Acting Assistant Deputy Chief Constable, copy to Inspector Ormerod. *Action: the clerk*
- 336/05 Community Care - meeting arranged for Thursday 15 September 11.30am
- 337/05 **8 Planning**
 (237/05) Appeal – Mr J Crickmore against refusal of pp for the conversion of existing barn to form dwelling on land at Chesterton Fen Road. Invitation to consultation meeting by SCDC.

- 338/05 (301/05) Ely Road – copies of two letters of objections from neighbours received. HMS reported that this application had been passed.
- Decisions received
- 339/05 (198/05) R Chapman Rectory Farm Shop – erection of 2 marquees for additional sales area - **refused**. Inappropriate development within Green Belt (Policy GB2 of Local Plan 2004 and P9/2a of the Structure plan 2003). Contrary to Policy SH10(2) of the Local Plan and Policy P8/1 Structure Plan [Means of Access] (to and from A10).
- 340/05 (246/05) K Wynn 31 Willow Crescent – new dwelling - **refused**. Contrary to Policies P1/3 Structure Plan and SE3 [Dwellings in Limited Rural Growth Settlements] and HG10 [Housing Mix and Design of the Local Plan]. Loss of light to no 33 and also overbearing visual impact when viewed from no 33.
- 341/05 (247/05) Cambridge Mencap – 2 Cambridge Road – extensions to existing offices - **approved**. Landscaping scheme to be approved; parking area to be laid out prior to occupation of extension. Policies P1/3 Structure Plan [Sustainable Design in Built Development], EM7 [Expansion of Existing Firms in Villages] and EM5 [Landscaping of New Development] refer.
- 342/05 (271/05) Cambridge Regional College – extension to car park - **approved**. Landscaping scheme and treatment of site boundaries to be approved. Local Plan 2004 Policy EN5 [The Landscaping of New Development] refers.
- 343/05 (272/05) Land adjacent Tesco and A14 - Certificate of Lawful Existing Use or Development received.
- 344/05 (273/05) Milton Parish Council – extension to Bowls Pavilion to form Parish Council Office - **approved**. Facing bricks to match either the bowls pavilion or the scout hut. Policies P1/2 [Environmental Restrictions on Development], P9/2a [Green Belt] of the Structure Plan and Policy GB2 [Green Belt] of the Local Plan refer.
- 345/05 (274/05) Mr & Mrs ME Youngs 25 Old School Lane – extension - **approved**. External materials to be identical to those used for existing building. Policies HG12 Local Plan [Extensions and Alterations to Dwellings within Frameworks] and P1/3 Structure Plan [Sustainable Design in Built Environment].
- 346/05 (275/05) Neurascript Ltd Unit 200 Science Park – fenced compound for AC Condensers - **approved**. Details of type of fencing to be approved (Policy P1/3 Structure Plan).
- 347/05 (276/05) Mr & Mrs Coombs 9 Butcher Close – extension - **refused**. Contrary to Policies HG12 Local Plan and P1/3 Structure Plan – detrimental to amenities of and overbearing when viewed from no 7.
- 348/05 (277/05) Mr D Lee 20 Cambridge Road – extension and access - **approved**. Detailed plan of the cross over including visibility splays, car parking and soft landscaping to be approved. Policies HG12 Local Plan and P1/3 Structure Plan.
- 349/05 (299/05) Mr & Mrs Smith 2 Townsend Close – extension - **approved**. External materials to be identical to those used for existing building. Policies HG12 Local Plan and P1/3 Structure Plan.
- New Applications
- 350/05 S/1387/05 M Roberts – 14 Pryor Close – porch/cloakroom single storey – **no recommendation**. [Delegated].
- 351/05 S/1279/05 Telstra Europe Ltd Platinum House St Johns Innovation Park – air conditioning plant compound and generator – **no recommendation** [Delegated].
- 352/05 S/1540/05 Mr & Mrs Whitelock 1 Walnut Close – single storey rear extension – **no recommendation** [Delegated].
- 353/05 S/1562/05/CW Mr N O'Connor Long Acre Farm Chesterton Fen Road – Waste transfer station (deposit and transfer of waste) - **refuse**.
As the site was on the edge of a residential area many people in that area would be inconvenienced and upset by the noise of lorries travelling to and from the site.
- 354/05 S/1573/05 Mr K Wynn 31 Willow Crescent – oa for bungalow - **refuse**. Residents' objections supported - over development of the site. (The clerk left the meeting for this item).

- 355/05 S/1580/05 Mr & Mrs Turner Chesterton Auto Repair Services Chesterton Fen Road – change of use from industrial (B1) to dwelling - **no recommendation.**
- 356/05 S/1614/05 Napp Pharmaceutical Holdings Unit 191 Science Park – construction of car park (3 year temporary application) - **no recommendation.**
- 357/05 Pi Technology Milton Hall – tree surgery near entrance at Ely Road – **no comments.**

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(304/05)

9 Parish Council Office – RTS was elected Chairman for this item.

JEC left the meeting for this item.

It was **RESOLVED** to close the meeting to members of the public under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 Section 1 paragraph 2 whereby publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest owing to the confidential nature of the business.

The clerk reported telephone conversations with the four builders invited to tender:

Murfitt – his “estimate” was a quotation and would not change unless Council changed the specifications.

Marnoch – did not wish to quote.

Jaggard – broke his ribs and could not do any work this year.

CBS – wanted to quote but decided not to despite two further telephone reminders by the clerk.

AGREED

using powers under LGA 1972 Sections 111 to accept the quotation from CJ Murfitt Ltd for building the Council office to the rear of the bowls pavilion, Coles Road Milton.

Quotation	£27,010 + VAT
Metal Shutters	£1200
Fire proof letter box	£300
Ramp	£600

The clerk would negotiate a lower cost for the electrics/heaters in the bowls pavilion.

Action: the clerk

AGREED

to allow a contingency figure including office set up costs of £2000.

The clerk would obtain a quotation from BT for the installation of a new telephone line, including Broadband. **Action: the clerk**

AGREED to ask Colin Nunn to act as Project Manager.

- 359/05 **10 Finance Meeting** - The minutes of the Finance meeting of 18 July were received and noted. CBS and Co-op bank accounts were now available for reconciliation.

- 360/05 **11 Extraordinary Meeting** – The minutes of the extraordinary meeting of 28 July 2005 were received.
Skate Park and Youth Shelter: repairs had been done to the skate park. Further damaged parts of the youth shelter had been made safe.
A report from ROSPA was received. The clerk and ME would discuss repairs highlighted by the report. A risk assessment showed the skate park to be just above the limits set by ROSPA as acceptable – but certain conditions were out of Council’s control eg unsupervised area.

ME, RJF and RLEW had met.

The history of the skate park and youth shelter left some confusion as to whether the responsibility for the maintenance of these areas rested with MCC or MPC. MCC had reluctantly agreed to the site at The Sycamores recreation ground.

As MPC now looked after the youth building it was proposed that:

MPC should also look after the maintenance and insurance of the skate park, youth shelter and bin (ie equipment on the concreted areas). **AGREED**

[9 votes in favour 1 abstention].

JEC pointed out that this would mean more responsibility and work for the clerk and asked that Council review the £100 spending limit for the clerk. Standing Order 75 b to be reviewed at October meeting. [Emergency repairs could amount to more than £100].

Noted that all equipment owned and maintained by the Parish Council was covered by Council's Public Liability insurance. (Phone call 15/08/05 with Allianz Cornhill – confirmed by letter received 18/08/05).

The clerk would write to Clever Curves (min 315/05).

MCC agreed to erect a “dog” sign.

361/05 **12 Extraordinary Meeting** - The minutes of the extraordinary meeting of 17 August 2005 – [Licensing Laws] were received. Most of the village had been contacted – thanks to the Village View distributors. Some residents complained about the lack of time to make comments (out of Council's control).

362/05 **13 Youth Meeting** - The minutes of the Youth meeting held on 23 August were received and noted. There were concerns about the proposal that Impington (inc Milton) should be grouped with the City for the provision of youth services. The clerk would write to the Head of Youth Services Go East to object to this suggestion.
Action: the clerk

363/05 **14 MCC Update**
AGM 5 October. Information (including costs) about the Community Centre Building Projects was received - to be debated by MCC on 5 October.

364/05 **15 Bills for Payment and Money Received**
CONFIRMED - payment of cheques 3078 – 3086 (ch 3080 queried – clerk to verify)
AGREED - payment of cheques 3087 – 3097 (1 abstention).

365/05 **16 District Councillors' Reports**
HMS
Ditch – RAF had cleaned out ditch again at the Hospice. Further work needed at Hall End.
Woods beyond Hospice – a German bank owned this land and had offered it to the Hospice. If Council took on ownership there would be a problem of access. The clerk would contact the Hospice in the first instance. **Action: the clerk**
RTS
Country Park – meeting scheduled for 12 September. Since “capping” SCDC may relinquish responsibility for maintaining Tomkins Mead.

366/05 **17 Correspondence**

CCC	-	Appointment of HCV Route Manager
	-	Environment Report 2005
CALC	-	Bulletin
Gallagher Estates	-	Northstowe update
ACRE	-	AGM Thursday 8 September
Hewitsons (Solicitors)	-	Justices' Licence The Parks Golf Club Ely Road
SCDC	-	South Cambs Community Strategy Newsletter
Local Works	-	Sustainable Communities Bill (request for support)
Orbis (saving sight worldwide)	-	Request for help

18 Dates of Next Meetings
 Planning 19 September 7pm
 Cemetery 19 September 7.30pm
 Maintenance 19 September (after Cemetery)
 Council 3 October

The meeting ended at 9.45pm.

Chairman.....

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