

Minutes of the Milton Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 12 May 1997 at 7.45pm in the Community Centre.

Present: RLE Waters (chair) RJ Farrington JE Coston IL Davis DJ Lee IF May CF Nunn J Sandford J Shaw HM Smith SJ Snaith RT Summerfield DT Wildman and the clerk SJ Daniels.

1. Apologies received from R Day and EY Wakeling

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2. Election of Chairman

RJF proposed and RTS seconded that RLEW be elected chairman. All agreed.

RJF proposed a vote of thanks for RLEW's hard work throughout the previous year.

RLEW signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

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3. Vice Chairman

RTS proposed and JS seconded that RJF be elected vice chairman. All agreed.

RTS proposed a vote of thanks for RJF's hard work throughout the previous year.

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4. Confirmation of Committees

Planning Sub - RJF, JEC, RD, JSh, HMS, RTS, RLEW(ex officio).

Finance - ILD resigned from this committee in protest at the comments of RTS that "only qualified people or those who attended the (Audit Regulations) courses should sit on the Finance Committee."

RTS pointed out that he wished to streamline the committee and did not propose that only qualified should serve.

CFN and RJF stood down from the committee.

Committee Elected - RTS, JEC, DTW, RLEW

Agreed that a sub committee be appointed to monitor accounts on a monthly basis.

Maintenance/Landscaping - ILD, HMS, SJS, EYW.

Highways - RJF, JEC, RD, CFN, JS.

Play Working Group - HMS, JEC, CFN, JS.

Cemetery Working Group - CFN, SJS.

Youth Steering Group - JEC, ILD, DJL, JS, HMS.

Sheltered Housing Steering Group - Deferred till item 9

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5. RepresentativesMilton Community Centre - RJFMilton School Governors -

DJI proposed by RJF and seconded by JS

J Sh proposed by DTW and seconded by ILD

DJI was elected.

Milton Charities - RD, ^{F M}IM, P Harrold and BC WatersonCommunity Care - RD, ^{F M}IM, EYW.Footpaths Officer - RLEWCountry Park - ^{R D}RTS (Deputy SJS)Impact - CFNPolice Liaison - RLEWTree Warden - SJS (Deputy HMS)Rowing Trust - HMS

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6. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of 7 April 1997 having been circulated were confirmed and signed as a true record.

7. Matters Arising

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(105/97)

Police Local Consultation Group

Minutes of the meeting of 13 March received and noted. Next meeting set for 25 June at Bottisham Village College.

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(107/97)

Cycleway Milton to Impington

J Richards had proposed putting on an exhibition during the week May 19-23.

Agreed to ask for a meeting before 2 June to arrange more suitable dates towards end of June.

A questionnaire to be distributed with next edition of Village View.

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(148/97)

Highway Matters

Owen Williams had agreed to patch the slip road. Thanks to JEC.

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(149/97)

Pedestrian Refuges

JEC to follow up.

- 191/97
(150/97) Tomkins Mead
Noted that the circumstances of the loss of the land Registry Certificate needed to be set out in a Statutory Declaration sworn before a solicitor. Clerk to action.
- 192/97
(151/97) Play
EHO of SCDC had visited The Sycamores Recreation Ground to view the cricket nets as a boy had suffered an injury by bumping into a pole. Agreed to await EHO's report and to take necessary minimum action to make the nets safe.
- 193/97
(152/97) Sewer
Formal notice of entry to The Sycamores Recreation Ground by Anglian Water had been received. D Ward was monitoring the situation closely.
- 194/97
(154/97) Northern Fringe
Minutes of the Villages Action Group were received and noted. MPC were required to submit a brief outline to the government department at Bedford before the Public Inquiry. The recent retail capacity study of the City Centre indicated that there was no need for a supermarket on the Northern Fringe. It was felt that there was a need for retail warehousing. The view was put forward that some additional shopping was needed to take the pressure off Tesco at Milton. Agreed that an overall scheme was needed and not piecemeal development. RLEW would propose that no development should be considered until necessary improvements to the roads infrastructure were made. In general he would support the South Cambs, City and County Council's stance.
- 195/97
(155/97) Litter
A letter from East Waste was received - to be circulated. Agreed to ask for East Waste's Bank Holiday contingency plans. Noted that weed spraying of kerbs was not included in the litter and street cleansing contract.
- 196/97
(157/97) Lighting MCC
The civil engineering works had been sent out to tender to three different contractors.
- 197/97 **8. Wilson/Turner Land**
RTS reminded Council that the officers of SCDC had researched the possibility of Compulsory Purchase of this land in May 1996 (min 278/96 refers). It was agreed that Council therefore would take this no further at this time but retain the option to pursue if the situation were to change.

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(145/97)

9. Sheltered Housing

(Minute 176/97 also refers).

Proposed HMS seconded DTW and agreed by all that "this Council supports the building of a sheltered housing scheme on Coles Road Recreation Ground provided that the area, overall design and value of the land be agreed by full Council."

RTS asked that the vote be recorded.

RLEW, RJF, JEC, ILD, DJL, IFM, CFN, JS, HMS, SJS, RTS, DTW.

RLEW, RJF, IFM, RTS and EYW were elected to the Steering Group. This group would report back monthly.

Issues to be discussed include:

Sale/lease of precise area of land.

Design options including considering moving courts.

Use of gardens in Cambridge Road.

Incorporation of Recreation Close and Walkling Way

Rights of Way.

Security.

Day Centre.

JEC wished to record her hope that money could become available to purchase replacement land in the future if possible.

Noted that a letter of complaint about the manner of a councillor at the APM was received.

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10. Environment 2000

The clerk would collate various comments and respond to the County Council.

RTS repeated his request for enough copies of important documents to be bought to enable a considered response to be made.

Agreed that in future 5 copies of such documents be bought.

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11. Bus Project

DJL proposed JS seconded and all agreed that Council pay the electricity and MCC staff wages to allow the Bus to be sited at The Sycamores Recreation Ground for four days throughout the summer holidays.

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12. Report of Village Ride Sunday 20 April 1997

1. Pond Green

Pursue with County Council our proposal that two paths be laid; also reinstatement after ducting work.

The County Council were looking into this.

2. Humphries Way and Froment Way Open Spaces

Shrubs to be planted in gaps along fences.

(This was part of the ongoing planting scheme for Autumn 1997).

3. Ditch - Butt Lane/A10

Ditch to be made more "traveller proof".

4. Bridge over A10 Bypass

Should the railings be higher?

5. Gate

Lock on gate broken.

The County Council were looking to put in a permanent barrier as the gate was not now needed.

6. Litter

There was a lot of litter near the A10 bridge

7. Hawthorn Hedge

Seat to be stained.

8. Topsoil land adjacent A14

Topsoil is needed for the bund before September.

Clerk to pursue wherever necessary.

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13. MCC

AGM set for 11 June at 8pm.

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14. Basketball/Roller Hockey

Agreed to support principle of having part (approx 30m x 15m) or all of Sycamores car park surfaced with tarmac so that roller hockey and basketball could be played on this area.

ILD to put before MCC committee. He warned however that MCC were faced with possibly a large expense - a maintenance inspection of the building was due to be made.

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15. Finance

It was agreed to arrange a date for the Finance Committee to review the accounts.

DTW suggested that the clerk and RTS look to investing the commuted sum in a short term investment.

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16. Crime Update

RLEW produced figures for Jan - April and comparisons with 1996.

Total crimes: 1996 - 105

1997 - 79

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17. Review of Salaries

Village cleaning and clerk deferred till June. JEC proposed CFN seconded and all agreed to increase the MCC staff's salaries to £5.15 per hour for the cleaner/caretakers and £6.15 per hour for the manager.

These increases had been costed into the estimate for 1997/98 by the treasurer of MCC.

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18. County Councillor's Report

A new warden had been appointed for September 1997 at Impington Village College.

JEC gave an update on the Rowing Lake.

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19. District Councillor's Report

Nothing to report.

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20. Bills for Payment and Money Received**Money Received**

Customs & Excise	VAT Reclaim 1/1/97 - 31/3/97	765.44
Allotments		320.80
SCDC	Precept (half)	27500.00
Milton Charities	Donation towards bins	<u>450.00</u>
Total money received		29036.24

Bills for Payment

It was proposed DTW seconded DJL and agreed by all that the following bills be paid:

Calum Cleaning	Bus shelters	-18.00
Jarrold	Photocopying	-29.32
Ridgeons	Dustbin	-13.84
Land registry	Land certificate	-40.00
Victoire Press	Letterheads	-95.81
Land registry	Searches 12 Fen Rd	-24.00
A Ellwood	Sect 137 Community Care	-312.92
Mr & Mrs Sharpe	Section 137 Bus Passes	-8.00
G Deas	Section 137 Bus Pass	-4.00
I Tyrrell	Section 137 Bus Pass	-4.00
P Godden	Section 137 Bus Pass	-4.00
Mrs Waller	Section 137 Bus Pass	-4.00
J Howes	Section 137 Bus Pass	-4.00
J V Warne	Section 137 Bus Pass	-4.00
Herald Contract Services	Grass Cutting	-1042.07
SJ Daniels	Clerk April inc expenses	-243.53
RCT Adams	Village Cleaning	-77.00
J Daniels	Secretarial April	-153.66
SWB Shipp	Village cleaning	<u>-50.00</u>
Total bills paid		-2132.15

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21. Clerk's Correspondence

County Council: Footpaths to be resurfaced in Landbeach Road.

Friends of Country Park: Invitation to opening of Sensory Garden
17 May 5pm.

Notice of application to transfer Justices' Licence at Tesco.

Report on 'West Fens for the Future.'

The meeting ended at 10.45pm.

Signed *A. H. Waters* Chairman *2.6.97* Date