

Minutes of the Meetings of Milton Parish Council held on Monday 4th October 1976 in Milton Primary School at 7.30 p.m.

Present: R.T. Summerfield (in the Chair), Mrs. M.E. Jones, M. Waggett, D. Cook, S. Poulter, P. Kiddle, Councillor K.P. Humphries and the Clerk B.K. Connor

I. PLANNING COMMITTEE

3042 The minutes of the meeting held on the 6th September were confirmed and signed.

Matters Arising

3043 Queen Anne Lodge - Re-roofing. The Planning Officer had replied to the (3011) Council's request for an explanation of the situation and advised that grants for historic buildings are administered by the Housing Officer and Architect. The owner was not made aware that Listed Building Consent was required until K.P.H. had made contact. The lack of liaison between the two SCDC departments is being eliminated.

New Applications

3044 - S/1167/76 - D.C. Cousins - 23 Goding Way - house extension - no comments.

3045 - \$\frac{1251}{76} - Mrs. E. Wilson - Part Grid Refs. 0774 and 0752 - erection of petrol filling station, garage showroom and workshop.

S/1252/76 - Mrs. E. Wilson - Part Grid. Refs. 0774 and 0752 - erection of petrol filling station.

Both applications were given careful consideration and as a result doubts were expressed on allowing development on the far side of the Milton By-pass. Any developments of a major nature should wait until the Village Plan is drawn up after completion of the by-passes.

Decisions Received

3046 - S/0866/76/A - F. Morgan - Benet Stores - erection of illuminated box (2980) sign - refused on the grounds of resulting in the undesirable consolidation of illuminated signs in a predominantly residential area and also it would create a precedent for similar proposals in other areas.

3047 - S/0465/76/F - Mr. & Mrs. J. Wilson - Part OSPs 8638, 0752, 0774 - extraction of fill for northern by-pass (40 acres) - refused on the grounds that this would be damaging to the residential and visual amenities of the village of Milton.

3048 - S/0466/76/F - Mr. & Mrs. J. Wilson - Part OSPs 8638, 0752, 0774 - extraction of fill for northern by-pass (26 acres) and also S/0873/76/F Cambs. C.C. smallholdings - extraction of clay spoil Part OSP 0002 - both applications approved with several conditions which the Council considered as acceptable provided that they are strictly adhered to. It was felt that a watchful eye should be kept on the progress. In particular the requirement for a restoration scheme and programme which has to be submitted for approval before 30th June 1977.

Any Other Planning Business

3049 - S/0910/76 - Pembroke House - construction of two houses - considerable concern was expressed at the fact that development is well under way and the Council have not been advised whether or not permission has been granted. The Clerk was instructed

to contact the Planning Department for details of their decision. K.P.H. reported that some problems had been encountered regarding floor levels associated with drainage from the road and also the question of drainage to neighbouring properties has been investigated.

II. COUNCIL

Present: As for planning meeting

Apologies: Mrs. B.C. Waterson, G. Patten and H.W.H. Easy.

The minutes of the meeting held on 6th September had been circulated and Mr. Waggett asked for minutes 3021 and 3023 to be amended specifying that he had been authorised to purchase the trees required from alternative sources if the SCDC could not satisfy requirements. The minutes were then approved.

Matters Arising

- 3051 The Clerk had contacted the insurance company regarding the increase in (3027a) cover of the fidelity guarantee section to the £4,000 level as suggested by the auditor. The insurers would require a premium of £13.10p. in addition to existing payment and this was felt to be excessive. The Clerk was instructed to write to the auditor to query the situation.
- 3052 (3029) County Structure Plan Report on Alternative Strategies. A summary of the report had been circulated to all members and the comprehensive report has to be read by interested councillors. The Chairman suggested that the questionnaire which has to be completed should be copied and forwarded to all members in preparation for further discussion at the next meeting.
- 3053 Eastern Electricity access road. The Manager replied to the Council's query on avoiding access via Church Lane and indicated that a completely new access gate was under consideration along the A10 some 100 metres south of the present north lodge area. The Council suggested these matters should be reviewed in two years time as with the matter of the school children crossing attendant situation (3032).
- 3054 Mr. R. Buck cleaning duties. The Clerk was asked to check with Mr. Buck as to the extent of his duties particularly with respect to the recreation ground.
- 3055 Eastern Counties Omnibus Company. No reply received regarding query (3038) on effects on bus service when by-passes are completed. The Clerk would request a reply.
- 3056 Grass Cutting Rota. The Surveyors Department confirmed that they can add the area at the end of Coles Road to the existing work load at an additional cost of £3.75. The situation will be reviewed prior to 1977 season and it was mentioned that due to labour shortage grass cutting on behalf of the Parish Council next year would have to be reconsidered.
- 3057 Parking of taxi opposite Waggon & Horses. P.K. reported that alterations (3041) be the owners house are virtually finished. The matter will be raised again should further complaints arise.
- 3058 Butt Lane Closure. K.P.H. reported that the District Council Planning (3031) Department were pushing the suggestion of a pelican crossing adjacent to the Butt Lane closure, although the County Surveyor's Representative had advised the Council that such a crossing would not be possible on the by-pass.



3059 Filing cabinet for the Clerk. The Chairman had been unable to obtain (3040) a suitable cabinet and it was proposed by M.E.J. and seconded by D.C. and AGREED that the Clerk should purchase a cabinet approximate cost £24.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Notice received of conference for newly elected councillors and inexperienced clerks at Great Eastern House, Tuesday October 19th at 7.30. M.W., D.C., S.P., G.P. and B.K.C. will attend if possible.

3061 Bills for payment

Mrs. J.R. Connor - secretarial expenses postages for September	£10.75 \2.66
Rampton Cultivations (grass cutting)	8.64
Cash for R. Buck 27 June to 18 September	13.00
W. Heffer & Sons - new map	6.00
Eastern Electricity - bus shelter lighting up to 30 September	3.15

It was proposed by M.E.J. and seconded by P.K. and AGREED that these accounts be settled.

A cheque of £55.86 was received from Cornhill Insurance in settlement of claim for damage to bus shelter.

- 3062 Department of Environment Allotment Statistics Enquiry to be completed by Clerk indicating number of applicants on waiting list as specified in latest records.
- 3063 Community Council circular received notifying the Council of National Fire Safety week 1-6 November 1976.
- 3064 Old Hand Pump, Cambridge Road. Mr. H. Peters had intimated that he would like to examine the pump and possibly restore if necessary. The Clerk would watch for progress and write to thank Mr. Peters if appropriate.
- Reduced lighting in Village Dangers. Mr. H. Peters had commented on the likelihood of pedestrians colliding with the telegraph poles on the pavements particularly along Coles Road now that several of the lights have been switched off permanently. His suggestion was for some type of reflective strips and it was agreed that the Clerk should write to the County Surveyor to seek further comment.
- Footpaths at the end of Coles Road. Mrs. I. Lodge of Shirley Lodge had written to SCDC regarding pathways along the Grey Conoley ditch, through the Council's land and also along the edge of Middletons Pit suggesting that the safety aspect should be improved by cutting foliage etc. The Clerk was asked to write to Mrs. Lodge explaining our policy with regard to opening up the area owned by the Council but also to point out that parts of the land in question are privately owned and trespass is therefore being committed.
- Silver Jubilee June 1977. M.E.J. asked if the Council wished to consider any proposals for activities. It was felt that it would be best to refer the question to the Village Hall Management Committee via M.W. to seek the views of the various representatives of the organisations within the village.
- Danger along the A10 near sewage farm entrance opposite Bovis entrance to construction unit. S.P. expressed concern at the considerable danger along this stretch of the road with the increase in contractors traffic turning on and off the A10. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Councillor Crossman to enlist his help in requesting urgent action by

means of hazard warning signs for the access turnings and also two lane restrictions along the three lane carriageway. Councillor Crossman should be asked for his comments before the Council's next meeting and if plans to cover this should be in hand the Council would like to know when they will be implemented.

- Public House Lunch/Snacks advertisement Boards. D.C. raised the question of the increasing number of these signs within the village. No permission has been granted for these signs and they could be removed if it was felt necessary.
- Impington school children waiting for bus /10/Butt Lane Corner. K.P.H. felt that the children were both causing danger and were in fact in danger by waiting close to the busy junction and had contacted Police Sargeant Webb accordingly. The queue has now been moved along Butt Lane and the situation improved. The Chairman thanked K.P.H.
- Numbers of children attending Milton School Ex-Bovis site. K.P.H. has checked this with the Education Office and confirmed that 4 children are involved at present. The situation will obviously change as the work programme develops.

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