

MEETINGS OF MILTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN MILTON PRIMARY SCHOOL, ON  
MONDAY, APRIL 5th., 1976, at 7.00 p.m.

I PLANNING COMMITTEE Present: JGC, BKC, HWHE, MEJ, PK, GEP, RTS, MW, BCW. RTS-Chair.

2887 Circulated MINUTES of PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE, FEB: 16th., and PLANNING COMMITTEE, MARCH 1st., were confirmed and the latter sgd. by Chairman.

There were no Matters Arising for discussion.

APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

2888 S/0377/76 - Stokes L.F: Construction of access road - OSP 220.

The Committee AGREED that, although no purpose for the ROAD WAS INDICATED ON THE APP., the effect of granting it would be yet another road - a third - parallel to the two existing ones i.e. (i) the 'illegal' road recently disallowed by the Minister on appeal & (ii) the older road running along the Sewage Farm boundary. The latter gives access to the old brickworks permitted industrial site - and that, therefore, there appeared no necessity for a fresh application as the older road could be satisfactorily up-graded at little cost.

Also AGREED to express the Council's concern to the Planning Office at this fresh application in view of the still unresolved situation arising from the recent enforcement appeal upheld by the Minister - no action yet having been taken to remove the road as directed by the Minister - and to press for enforcement action to be taken to the full.

DECISIONS RECEIVED.

2889 S/1773/75/F Mrs. V.R. Gawthrop for Livery Stable, Chesterton Fen: granted.

2890 S/0001/76 G. Fisher, 48, High Street: a porch & ext. to car port: grtd.

2891 APPEAL S/1302 & 1290/74 E.J. Nicholas OSP 151 off O.S. Lane; for (i) caravan park & (ii) horse-riding school + house: Appeal dismissed.

2892 PLANNING NOTATION OF MILTON FEN The Clerk referred to the COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN - TOWN MAP (no 2) for AREA SURROUNDING CAMBRIDGE This had received MINISTERIAL APPROVAL (1957; re-approved, 1965) and was the current policy document for the area.

The Clerk had brought this important reference document to Members' notice now in support of the village environment quoting two relevant items, viz: (i) an 'area of great landscape value': which included the greater part of Milton Fen; and special character of such areas to be protected by special powers; and (ii) mineral workings to be limited (as mapped) to permissions given and no permissions existed for land in Milton Fen.

He further suggested these were two cogent reasons supporting the Council's opposition to recent applications for mineral extraction in Milton Fen with which members agreed.

2893 PLAN:APP:S/0182/76 J.A. Wilson for gravel extrac. Milton Fen: letter from Horningsea Parish Council - who had sent objections to the District Planning Office, as follows:

- (i) Visual aspect to west of village wd. be destroyed
- (ii) amenity value of towpath for walkers, fisherman and boating wd. be spoilt
- (iii) wd. interfere with wildlife fauna and flora
- (iv) wd. use valuable farmland when plentiful supplies of materials available at present site at Landbeach
- (v) wd. possibly endanger water level & flow of river Cam.

The Clerk had replied expressing appreciation of Horningsea's support.

This concluded the meeting of the Planning Committee.

Signed R. Summers ..... Chairman ..... 10<sup>th</sup> May 1976 ..... Date.

II COUNCIL Present: as for Planning Comm: above.

2894 Circulated Minutes of COUNCIL MEETING, MARCH 1st were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

MATTERS ARISING

2895 TREE PLANTING COUNTY SCHEME (2880) The Clerk reported he had now cancelled the order for 8 more thorn trees in accordance with MIN:2880

8 Poplar Trees surplus to requirements: on prop:MW, sec: BCW & AGREED: these to be presented to the Shirley Close Residents Assocn. (Mr. Scriver).

2896 'BUS SHELTER SEAT (WAGGON & HORSES) (2838) Confirmation recd. from Cornhill Ins. that in order to have the work carried out in accordance with the estimate from D. Haard & Co. AGREED order now be placed in accordance with MIN:2838.

2897 PROPOSED LAY-BY CAMBRIDGE ROAD (2881) Members of the Council had met Highways Engineers as arranged and agreed on construction of three lay-bys either side of Bene't Garage. The Engineers had agreed to have the roadway outside the Doctors' surgery marked to prevent parking. The lay-bys were now under construction

2898 CHANGING ROOMS PROJECT (2882) PK reported: satisfactory progress; electrics completed; plumbing nrly so; woodwork finished and locks fitted. He was in touch with Mr. Taylor to obtain the required files but lack of them was not now holding up work on the project.

2899 SOUTH CAMBS DISTRICT COUNCIL HOUSING PROPOSALS FOR MILTON Mr. K.P. Humphries submitted proposals for 8 or 12 '3-person, 2-bedroom' units to be built at the end of Walkling Way in the District Council's 1976/77 programme.

This was received with interest, particularly in view of the local under-occupation position in Council dwellings; the 2-bedroom units would, it is hoped, serve small families as well as the elderly. The Council AGREED to support the District Councillors efforts to seek the building of the 12 units rather than 8.

2900 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 1976 Final preparations were discussed: the Clerk submitted a prepared brochure - on similar lines to other years containing accounts and some reports. This was APPROVED by members and AGREED to distribute before date of meeting through shops. Also AGREED that plans of interest: By-passes, Country Park etc. be displayed at the meeting; members also AGREED to sit in support of the Chairman at the table and be prepared to answer residents' questions.

2901 SCDC REPORT ON 'RECREATION' A 68-page Report had been received by the Clerk in March which he had forwarded to the Chairman together with a covering letter to all members in preparation for initial consideration at this meeting; the length of the Report would make it necessary to give members several weeks to read and absorb.

The Clerk distributed additional copies and it was AGREED that a date for discussion be considered at the next meeting.

2902 NORTHERN BY-PASS LANDSCAPING (2839) As notified to members the ERCU Landscape Artist would meet members to discuss landscaping plans at Impington College on March 16th. Mr. Patten and the Clerk attended when detailed plans of tree planting were shown. The Artist indicated that any suggestions for further planting from Parish Councils would be considered on their merits and, if requested, he would walk the route across a parish with one member of a Parish Council.

2903 REPLACEMENT OF FELLED ELM AT CORNER COLES RD. This large Elm tree had recently been felled by South Cambs. District Council as unsafe. The Trees and Woodlands Officer regretted it as he considered it of visual importance. Members agreed with this view.

It was also AGREED to ask the SCDC if they will replace at their cost: if possible with a mature tree. Failing that, to replace in the Autumn, with a tree about 6 - 10 years old.

2904 REQUESTS FOR The Clerk reported requests for allotments as follows:  
ALLOTMENTS

Mr. K. Atkin, 1 Knight's Way  $\frac{1}{2}$  rood  
Mr. C. Tabor, 6, Willow Crescent  $\frac{1}{2}$  rood

(they wd. be willing to split a 1 rood plot)

No action was taken pending clarification of the position of those tenants at present holding several acres.

2905 ELECTRICITY New charges to operate from 1 April, 1976 received  
PRICE INCREASE from E. Electricity: Maintenance + 10% and energy  
(BUS SHELTERS) (about) 6%; AGREED to accept.

2906 JUSTICES LICENCE The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from the  
CONNOR & GRAY Secretary of the Committee of Management seeking  
the Parish Council's support to his application,  
with M.Gray, for a Justices Licence to enable his Committee to overcome  
certain difficulties with occasional licences. AGREED no objection  
be raised.

2907 UNAUTHORISED DUMPING OF SOIL IN MARE WAY The Clerk reported complaint of untidy state of  
both entrances to the Mare Way due to dumping  
of road sweepings by the County Council.

He had seen the Public Health Inspector who would investigate and, if  
substantiated take steps to have the practice stopped. AGREED this  
should cease and the Council asked to level and distribute the soil.

2908 DANGEROUS REFUSE - The Clerk reported a letter from the SCDC  
CODE OF PRACTICE Safety Sub-Committee asking if the Parish  
PREPARED BY SCDC Council would be prepared to distribute a  
1-page leaflet containing a Code of Practice  
for householders and others relating to the disposal of dangerous refuse.

AGREED to first seek further information on the contents of the leaflet.

2909 REQUEST BY A CITY CLUB TO USE MILTON FOOTBALL GROUND Letter recd. by Clerk from Mr. Leeland, Arbury  
Estate for his team to use the Gd. on Sundays.  
The Manager of Milton Football Club had been  
consulted and the letter passed to the Committee  
of Management for attention.

2910 COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS ATTENDANCE AT PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS The Chairman pointed out that it was a widely  
accepted practice amongst Parish Councils to  
invite their local Councillors to meetings.  
He thought this could only be beneficial  
to the parish and the Parish Council as there  
were many matters needing to be negotiated with the two other local Councils  
arising from the business of Parish Council meetings which could be very  
conveniently dealt with direct by the Councillor concerned. The Clerk  
could thus be relieved to a certain extent. After discussion this view  
was AGREED+ and also AGREED, on prop: JGC, sec: GEP, that both the County  
and District Councillor be given a standing invitation to attend and the  
usual Notice of Meeting, Agenda and Minutes as sent to members be sent at  
the same time to the County and District Councillors.

2911 LETTER OF RESIGNATION THE CLERK The Chairman read a letter he had received a few  
days before from the Clerk, offering his resignation.  
He wished to get some respite from the ever-increasing  
burden of parish administration and hoped, also (if returned by the electors  
at the forthcoming District Council Election) to devote more time to his  
job as District Councillor. He did not intend that his action would cause  
difficulties for the Parish Council and offered his help to a successor for  
a period as long as would be necessary - realising fully that, owing to the  
many matters currently before the Council this may be several months. He  
thanked all members for their kindness and understanding over a number of  
years and offered his help to the Parish Council at all times.

DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE, 1976

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, RESIDENTS OF THE PARISH OF MILTON IN THE COUNTY OF CAMBRIDGESHIRE, DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT WE EACH ACCEPT THE OFFICE OF PARISH COUNCILLOR FOR THE SAID PARISH.

- 1. Richard Thomas Sumnerfield
- 2. Harold Easby
- 3. Beryl C. Waterson (Mrs)
- 4. Muriel Jones
- 5. B.C.K.
- 6. Gerald Potters
- 7. [Signature]
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- 9. [Signature]

THE ABOVE DECLARATIONS WERE SIGNED IN MY PRESENCE ON THIS 10<sup>th</sup> May 1976 one thousand nine hundred and seventy six.

K.P. Humphreys

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I, Richard Thomas Sumnerfield HEREBY DECLARE THAT I ACCEPT THE OFFICE OF CHAIRMAN OF MILTON PARISH COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR, 1976/1977

Richard Thomas Sumnerfield

THE ABOVE DECLARATION WAS SIGNED IN MY PRESENCE ON THIS 10<sup>th</sup> May 1976 one thousand nine hundred and seventy six.

K.P. Humphreys

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Members received the resignation with regret and expressed their appreciation of the Clerk's work over the last ten years in various ways; Mr. Patten proposed a vote of thanks; this was supported unanimously and the Clerk responded with his thanks for the amicable and happy relationship which had existed.

A successor was discussed and it was AGREED that Mr. Barrie Connor be approached; Mr. Connor had, previously, expressed his intention not to stand for election to the Parish Council at the forthcoming election in May.

Also discussed, and AGREED, that a 3-months period be allowed (if the retiring Clerk agreed) to cover the change-over period.

2912S **BILLS FOR PAYMENT** On prop: JGC; sec: BKC; AGREED, that following accounts be paid:

Coulson's of Cambridge	50 posters APM	.....	£12.52
C. E. News	prelim. advt. APM	.....	5.40
Cornhill Ins. Co	Increase of Pub. Liab. cover.		1.68
K.P. Humphries:	Clerk's sal: March	37.50	
	Posts. & stationary	6.05	
	APM Brochure stencils		
	9 x 50p	4.50	
	* Duplicating		
	9 x 100 sheets	7.50	
	Cash for R. Buck 3mo.	13.00	68.55
			<u>Total: £88.15</u>

2913 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING -ELECTION YEAR** The Clerk advised that the ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING could not be held until all Councillors take Office 4 days after election day (May 6) but must be before ~~the~~ May 24th. AGREED, therefore, not to hold the usual meeting on the first Monday in the month; and further AGREED that it be held on MONDAY, MAY 10th.

2914 **DATE OF ANNUAL PARISH MEETING** Reminder ! WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14th., 1976.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

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MBS raised the following/matters; AGREED the Clerk give them attention.

2915 **MESSRS WARM-PAK -COLLAPSE OF WALL IN HALL END** This had been down some 3 months. After discussion, it was felt that there was little danger and, in view of past efforts which had brought little success - AGREED, leave matter in abeyance.

2916 **FILLING-IN OF MIDDLETON'S PIT** AGREED that this was very untidy and soil being heaped above ground level, and that complaint be made to the District Planning Dept.

2917 **FENCE ADJOINING HAIRDRESSERS, CAMBRIDGE ROAD** ~~Complaint to made to District Council.~~  
*Agreed that no action be taken* *D*  
*10/5/76*

2918 **INVESTMENT OF COUNCIL'S BALANCES** MW suggested alternative arrangements; AGREED, this be placed on the Agenda for a future meeting.

This concluded the business and the Chairman closed the meeting.

Signed *[Signature]* .....Chairman ..... *15<sup>th</sup> July 1976* .....Date.