

Minutes of the Adjourned Council Meeting held on Thursday
5th November 1981 at 7pm in Milton Primary School

Present: R.T. Summerfield (in the Chair), Mrs. B.C. Waterson,
A.D.J. Bull, R. Day, K.P. Humphries, P. Kiddle, G. Patten,
S.B. Poulter, Mrs. G.F. Tonks and the Clerk S.J. Daniels.

4931 The meeting was convened to discuss two specific proposals
(see p. 299) regarding the Milton Area Plan:-

Alternative 1. To exclude the land north of Butt Lane
from housing development.

Alternative 2. To preserve a strip of land around the
whole A10 perimeter so as to leave
sufficient housing capacity for 2000
people adjacent to the village including
the north and south of Butt Lane.

K.P.H. reported that, in order to reduce the proposed
population increase from 3200 to 2000 people, about 35 acres
of land would remain undeveloped.

S.B.P. agreed with K.P.H. that in such a case a corridor
of land about 100 metres wide and one mile long would not
be developed, thus leaving about 61 acres for development,
including approximately 12 acres north of Butt Lane.

P.K. expressed his opinion in favour of alternative 2 but
suggested the plan would be impractical. He felt that this
alternative would be dismissed by the S.C.D.C. and was
concerned about the inevitable consequences.

G.P. questioned that, if the Council accepted alternative 1,
whether the problem of further development would have to be
faced again at a later date.

K.P.H. replied that if the land north of Butt Lane could
be certified then no development would be allowed till at
least 1991.

G.P. agreed however that he was looking further forward
than 1991 and that if alternative 2 could be accepted and
the corridor of land be planted with trees, then further
development would be effectively blocked.

Although K.P.H. agreed that the idea of a 100 metre wide
corridor of trees was attractive not only would it be
unacceptable in terms of planning practicalities but also
the cost of planting trees would be prohibitive. He therefore
favoured alternative 1.

B.C.W. was concerned that if development does not take place
north of Butt Lane in the Plan period then the alternative
access to the school would be lost.

As the consensus of opinion seemed to be in support of
alternative 2 G.P. proposed the following motion:-

"The Milton Parish Council would like an undeveloped
corridor of land, from the A45 interchange to the
Landbeach Road corner, approximately 100 metres wide,
on the village side of the Milton By-Pass, thereby
restricting the housing development to accommodate
2000 people adjacent to the village."

This was seconded by B.C.W.

Before a vote was taken K.P.H. expressed his wish for a
unanimous Council, stressing that as District Councillor
he would feel obliged to take a different view from the
Parish Council if the voting showed support for G.P.'s proposal.

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A vote was then taken. The motion was carried by 7⁰ votes to 1. The Chairman used his vote in support. A.D.J.B. did not take part in the discussion or vote.

The Clerk was then instructed to write to the S.C.D.C. Planning Committee expressing the Council's arguments in favour of the above motion; these views to be circulated to all members of the S.C.D.C. Planning Committee prior to their meeting of November 12th 1981.

The meeting was closed at 8.10pm.

Signed BurtonfieldChairman7.12.81.....Date