

Minutes of the Meetings of Milton Parish Council held on Monday 5th November 1984 at 7.30pm in Milton Primary School.

Present: Mrs. B.C. Waterson (in the chair), R. Day, W.D. Booth, H.A. Capitain, P. Harrold, K.P. Humphries, Mrs. L.M. Lock, G. Patten, Mrs. J. Westwood, Cllr. J. Brackenbury and the clerk S.J. Daniels.

Apologies were received from A.D.J. Bull.

I. COUNCIL BUSINESS

- 1. 6149 New Councillor. B.C.W. welcomed to the Council H.A.C. who signed the declaration of acceptance of office.
- 2. 6150 Second Vacancy. H.A.C. proposed, K.P.H. seconded and all agreed that P. Rice of Butt Lane be co-opted to the Council.
- 3. 6151 The minutes of the meeting held on 1st October 1984 having been circulated were confirmed and signed.

4. Matters Arising

6152 Fen Road Level Crossing. The A.O.R.C. was now in operation. (6087) G.P. felt that the audible signal could be increased in volume. He was most concerned that B.R. had visited Milton School only after a request from the headmaster. It was noted also that the publicity campaign in the village and all local schools and the visit to another A.O.R.C. had not materialised. The clerk was instructed to write a strong letter of complaint to B.R. about the lack of publicity. W.D.B. pointed out that there would be no cattle grid on the track. A B.R. supervisor had noted that the left red and amber lights were obscured by a tree.

6153 Traffic Speed Limit. The proposal for the extension to the (6088) 40 m.p.h. speed limit north of the village had been received. A traffic regulation order would now be made.

6154 Ash Tree. The County Council had agreed to cut back the ash (6089) tree adjacent to the allotments.

6155 Middleton's Pit. Few and Kester were proceeding with the (6094) purchase. At present they needed to see documents relating to the conveyance under which Cyril Middleton and Co., purchased the pit.

6156 Butt Lane Development. The County Council agreed with Mr. Rose (6124) that the western visibility splay at the proposed new road junction adjacent to 22 Butt Lane was less than the minimum recommended by Design Bulletin 32. This was noted and would be put on file.

6157 Footbridge. It was believed that the bridge was again (6125) damaged. H.A.C. would check.

6158 Blocked Drain - High Street. Mr. Kisby confirmed that the drain (6127) had been cleared.

6159 Street Lights. Council's thanks were expressed to K.P.H. for (6128) pruning his tree. The clerk would contact the householders in Fen Road, by letter.

6160 Christmas Carols. Mr. Flitton would collect the tree on (6132) Saturday December 15th. B.C.W. pointed out that the date arranged for carol singing clashed with a school concert. She would contact the Salvation Army.

5. 6161 Cemetery. The rector suggested that item 3 on the cemetery regulations should read "a person would not normally be allowed to reserve a plot except next to a spouse." This would allow latitude in exceptional circumstances. Visitors had expressed to him how well the cemetery was maintained.

6. 6162 Milton Development (a) School

(i) Future. The governors were concerned that with a school population of 180 at present and a total capacity of 210 the school does not appear in the medium term plan 1985-88 for education expenditure.

R.D. had prepared a letter to be sent to F. Cogley of Shire Hall with a copy to M. Rice, Education Officer in charge of Buildings.

The rector had also written to Caius College asking them to press for development north of Butt Lane so that a new entrance could be built as a new school could not be built before the development of a new entrance.

R.D. felt that the design of the building could allow for an access at a later date, while J.W. was concerned about asking for development north of Butt Lane before completion of that south of Butt Lane.

K.P.H. pointed out that pressing for such development would be a radical change in the Plan.

It was agreed that Council support the governors' views as expressed in R.D.'s letter.

(ii) Traffic. Considerable discussion ensued as a result of a petition about the dangers caused by parents driving their children to and from school.

It was generally agreed that poor driving habits contributed to the problem.

There was a strong feeling also that the petition should have been presented to the headmaster.

G.P. proposed, P.H. seconded that a copy of the petition be sent to the governors.

K.P.H. proposed, L.M.L. seconded an amendment that as a result of the petition the police be asked to supervise occasionally. The amendment was passed with 6 in favour, 1 against and 1 abstention.

The chairman invited Mrs. Twinn to speak. Mrs. Twinn and the signatories of the petition felt very strongly about the ever worsening traffic situation. There was considerable anxiety that a serious injury or even worse could result.

J.W. proposed, R.D. seconded and all agreed that the clerk write to the headmaster with the request that he send a strongly worded letter to all parents reminding them of the dangers caused by traffic in Butt Lane.

J.B. would also send a letter to the Chief Constable, Director of Transportation and Director of Education.

B.C.W. thanked Mrs. Benton and Mrs. Twinn for attending the meeting. Council agreed that B.C.W. pass on the petition to the headmaster.

(b) Landscaped Corridor. The Planning Officer had asked the builders at Bene't Farm to stop any work on the landscaped corridor by the A10 until a meeting could be arranged to ensure that an attractive landscaped area is created.

Planning permission would also be needed.

The clerk was instructed to ask the Planning Officer to look also at the barrier built by W.T. Rose Ltd.

(c) Office. S.C.D.C. had given Dorther Properties permission to use a double garage of one of the show houses as an office.

7. 6163 New Community Centre. J.B. said that the County Council would support Milton but he did not know how much money would be forthcoming. R.D. and B.C.W. had met various officers of the S.C.D.C. A suggestion had been made that a Trust Committee of say three councillors and two others could be set up. Such a body would be able to borrow without restrictions, although the interest rate would not be so favourable, and V.A.T. would not be recoverable. R.D. explained that various loan schemes were available, if loan sanction could be obtained. The clerk would ask that his letter of 17 September to Mr. Martindale be placed on file as a formal application for loan sanction. If a meeting could not be arranged with the County Council R.D. would arrange a meeting with John Selby, S.C.D.C. Treasurer and Mr. Martindale. R.D. would also probably make contact with the Department of the Environment through Francis Pym. Although there had been rumblings of discontent within the village about the rate increase B.C.W. was confident that the public meeting had given full support. The present position regarding finance was as follows:

Cost c. £225,000	Grants:	£
	S.C.D.C.	25,000
	V.H.R.M.C.	8,000
	Sports Council	?
	County Council	?
	Loan	150,000

More precise figures could not yet be worked out. K.P.H. would try to find out what happened to the S.C.D.C. money destined for the Corn Exchange project. J.W. proposed a vote of thanks to R.D. and S.J.D. for the time they had spent on the project. The clerk affirmed that planning permission had been received. The poplar trees and part of the hedge would have to be removed. There would be a replanting scheme.

8. 6164 Youth Club. G.P. proposed, J.W. seconded and all agreed that Council pay rent for 4/5 extra Mondays during the education year 1984/85.
9. 6165 Green Belt. The Public Inquiry for the Cambridge Green Belt Local Plan was set for 8 January 1985. R.D. proposed and all agreed that Council's objection be dealt with by written representation. The clerk would quote the result of the Inspector's findings of Milton District Plan Inquiry.
10. 6166 Highway Signs. J.W. proposed G.P. seconded and all agreed that Council accept the County Council's quote of £156 for the manufacture, transport and erection of three 'Please Drive Carefully' signs. Waterbeach and Landbeach direction signs would not be provided by Pond Green.
11. 6167 Bills for Payment and Money Received

Money Received: Allotment rents (Michaelmas)  
 ..... current account ..... £129.90

It was proposed G.P., seconded W.D.B. that the following bills be paid:

1. <u>Bus Passes</u>	
Mr. P. Pettitt, 6 Church Lane	£4.20
Mrs. T. Pettitt, 6 Church Lane	£4.20
Mr. Z. Bobryk, 67 Cambridge Road	£4.20
Mrs. B.E. Bobryk, 67 Cambridge Road	£4.20

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Mr. C.L. Moule, 29 Cambridge Road		£4.20
Mrs. E. Sadler, 2 Lyndhurst Close		£4.20
Mrs. C. Edwards, 12 High Street		£4.20
Mr. S. Kirkup, 13 Knights Way		£4.20
Miss E.M. Fulcher, 7 Walkling Way		£4.20
Mrs. K.P. Young, 17 Old School Lane		£4.20
Mrs. N.V. Smith, 25 Butt Lane		£4.20
Mrs. S.M. Denton, 12 Walkling Way		£4.20
Mrs. M. Bullock, 3 Bene't Close (6 months)		£2.10
2. Cambridgeshire County Council - rent for allotments		£100.00
3. Mr. S.W.B. Shipp - Village cleaning duties		
Aug - Oct		£25.00
4. S.J. Daniels - clark's salary Oct	91.66	
photocopying	2.46	
post/phone	<u>11.21</u>	£105.33

12. Any Other Business

- 6168 Trees. H.A.C. wondered if the trees and hedge by the Give Way sign on the old A10 north of the village could be trimmed to improve visibility. The clerk would ask the County Council to take a look during their annual inspection.
- 6169 White Horse. It was noted that the transfer of the licence of the White Horse to J. Carter was to be made on 7 November.
- 6170 Horse Chestnut. Mr. Hellingsworth had agreed that the horse chestnut in the garden of 1 Fen Road could be reduced. The clerk had replied that council would accept Mr. Hellingsworth's advice.
- 6171 Grassy Corner. It was pointed out that the ditch by the driftway from Chesterton Fen Road to the halingway had been filled in, and it was believed not properly piped. The clerk would inform the Environmental Services Officer. The Rights of Way Officer had already taken steps to see that the barrier at the end of the driftway be removed.
- 6172 State of Path. L.M.L. reported that the path by the entrance to the E.E.B. was uneven and in a poor state. Mr. Kisby would be informed.
- 6173 Mud on Road. W.D.B. had received a complaint about the mud on the road by the Bene't Farm development. The contractors appeared to be trying to keep the road clean.
- 6174 Gypsy Site. P.H. reported from J.B. that the working party had decided not to provide a gypsy transit site for the present on the grounds of cost and lack of demand.
- 6175 Shirley Close Footpath. There had been complaints about the recently erected signs near the garages. K.P.H. had already written to the Residents' Association pointing out that the path was adopted and therefore a public right of way.

Signed .. Beryl C. Watson (Dr) .. Chairman .. 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec 1984 .. Date

II. PLANNING BUSINESS

1. 6176 The minutes of the meeting held on 1st October 1984 had been circulated. Min. 6137 was amended. The minutes were then signed.

2. Matters Arising

6177 Shirley Lodge. The Dept of Environment had not considered (6137) Shirley Lodge and the wall to be worthy of listing. J. Selby would ask them to take another look at the wall.

6178 Application by R.C. Larkinson. R.C. Larkinson had written to (6139) K.P.H. as a preview to a second application. It was agreed that if another application arrived before the next meeting then the previous objections could be made under delegated powers. Application S/1335/84 had been refused on the grounds of conflicting interests with adjoining commercial undertakings and the proposed Country Park; also contrary to Policy 32 of Milton Plan.

3. New Applications

- (a) 6179 S/1592/84 Milton Nurseries - erection of two houses next to 33 Butt Lane - no comments provided that sufficient access is left for a future cycle/pedestrian route.
- (b) 6180 S/1649/84 S.C.D.C. - land at rear of 25-45 Cambridge Road - renewal of S/1347/81 residential o.a. of 13 January 1982 - no comments.
- (c) 6181 S/1661/84 D & I Pearson, Fen Farm, Fen Road - bathroom extension, new porch and enlarged conservatory - no comments.
- (d) 6182 S/1697/84 D.C. Brooklyn, Chesterton Fen Road - industrial building to be used as motor body repair shop and offices - no comments.

4. Decisions Received

- (a) 6183 Mr. and Mrs. P. Capitain - extension at 15 Fen Road - approved. (6118)
- (b) 6184 Bene't Garage - extension approved. (6119)
- (c) 6185 Cambridge Online Systems Ltd, Science Park - approved (6140) subject to conditions of external walls and landscaping scheme.
- (d) 6186 S.C.D.C. land rear of 25-29 Cambridge Road for residential (6141) development - approved, subject to conditions.
- (e) 6187 Trinity College, Science Park, office and laboratory - (6142) approved subject to conditions of landscaping, storage, drainage, vehicular and pedestrian access and materials to be used for external walls and roof.

5. Any Other Business

6188 Drainage. K.P.H. confirmed that water running off the Bene't Farm site would not run into the ditch by the Coles Road recreation ground and that the developers appeared to be keeping to the original scheme.

The meeting ended at 11.05pm

Signed .. Beryl C. Watson (Mrs) ..Chairman .. 3<sup>rd</sup> December 1984 ..Date