

Minutes of the Meetings of Milton Parish Council held on Monday
5 December 1983 at 7.30pm in Milton Primary School.

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

Apologies were received from: H.W.H. Easy and P. Harrold.

I. COUNCIL BUSINESS

1. 5787 Meeting with architects and developers of housing at Bene't Farm. As the architects had received comments from the Highways Department which affect many details on the drawing in preparation it was agreed to meet on January 9th by which time new plans would be drawn up.
2. 5788 Signature of Declaration of Acceptance. The chairman welcomed Mrs. McGowan Lock to the council. Mrs. Lock was elected on 1 December 1983 and she signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Councillor.
3. 5789 The minutes of the meeting held on 7 November 1983 having been circulated were confirmed and signed.
4. Matters Arising.

5790 T.P.O. Confirmation of T.P.O. 16/83/SC Fen Road (No. 2) had (5724) been received.

5791 Christmas Carols. The carol singing had been arranged for (5729) Wednesday 21 December 1983 which the Salvation Army would lead. Members would meet on Saturday 10 December 9am to put up the tree. A.D.J.B. would arrange collection of tree the cost of which was £20.

5792 Tree Planting - Adjacent to Sliproad. G.P. and R.D. had met (5762/3) Mr. Cornwell of the Department of Transportation. It was agreed that poplars could be planted along the side of the fence for approximately 50 metres at the bottom of the slip road. For the rest of the area shrubs to the height of 6-8 ft would be allowed. R.D. had sought the advice of Mr. Cox and put forward various alternatives for discussion. He then proposed that the council buy 16 hybrid poplar trees for planting next to the fence and 3 cherry trees for planting near J. Farrow's entrance together with the stakes and ties at a cost of about £85. G.P. seconded and all agreed. A.D.J.B. would try to arrange through the farm school to have the visibility splay area cut in the spring. R.D. proposed that the area then be cut on an irregular basis and that the council decide how much it wished to spend on spraying a given area prior to planting with, for example, dogwood. It was felt that areas could be planted over a period of years in this way. All agreed to allow up to £200 expenses in 1984/5 towards this project. R.D. would inquire if a supply of dogwoods could be obtained from the County Council. It was noted that the majority of the thorn hedging planted outside Boulton and Paul had died. K.P.H. would inquire of S. Sillery if this could be replaced through the condition

of the original planning permission.

The hedge in front of Lemin and Co., had been removed. The clerk would write to ask if this company would consider replacing it. A copy of the letter would be sent to the Planning Department.

The clerk was asked to express council's gratitude to Mr. Hall for his help in planting willow trees outside Boulton & Paul.

5793 Milton Plan. E.J. Wilson had written to say that he was as yet (5764) unable to discuss the council's objections relating to the proposed access for the area of development north of Butt Lane. The paragraph 2.06 of the Plan clearly stated that cul-de-sac development with access from Butt Lane at the western end would not be favourably considered by the S.C.D.C. There would be no objection in principle to a further cul-de-sac development at the Eastern end.

13th Public Drain. The clerk had been in correspondence with the Environmental Services Officer over the 13th Public Drain, explaining that M.P.C. objected most strongly to an open ditch through a recreation ground and housing estate. Mr. Wilson had confirmed to B.C.W. that the Environmental Services and Health Committee had agreed to divert the 13th Public Drain on condition that the developers first pay a commutation fee, reckoned to cover expenses for 12 years. Thereafter S.C.D.C. would maintain the watercourse.

5794 Proposed Country Park. A letter from Mr. While of the County (5765) Council stated that the Land and Buildings Committee in September had decided to inform the S.C.D.C. that the County would be unable to finance the development of a Country Park in the foreseeable future. S.C.D.C. had responded that it would take several months before they could put forward an amended Country Park policy and therefore a joint meeting at this stage would be premature. The clerk would write to S.C.D.C. indicating that M.P.C. was unhappy with waiting several months and asking for their continued support for a Country Park at Milton Pits.

5795 Bus Pass. Mr. and Mrs. Pettitt's thanks for the contribution (5771) towards their bus passes were conveyed to the council.

5796 Bus Service. A reply from the Director of Transportation explained (5776) that the difference in times between service 109 and 182 was three minutes inward and one minute on journeys from Cambridge. He had passed on to Eastern Counties the request for a link with the Grafton Centre.

5797 Parking, Cambridge Road. G.P. expressed concern about the parking (5777) of vehicles outside the industrial site. Although this improved following the intervention of P.C. Barringer the situation appeared to be worsening again. It was decided to review the matter in January.

5798 Lowering of kerbs. The Divisional Surveyor's Department would (5778) lower kerbs at the four points in Coles Road and High Street although not immediately.

5799 Tree, Bene't Close. K.P.H. reported that Mr. Hellingsworth had (5780) the matter in hand.

5. 5800 Grants for Recreational Purposes. It was agreed that the clerk fill in the necessary forms for a grant from S.C.D.C. towards

the purchase of Middleton's Pit. It was decided not to pursue grants for the new proposed recreational areas at this stage.

6. 5801 Cemetery.

(a) Fencing. Three quotations had been received:-

- Calders of Brandon: £4.15 per yard + V.A.T.
- Universal Fencing: £551.48 posts set at 8ft centres or £645.40 " " " 6ft " + V.A.T.
- Simon Shipp: £4.96 per metre.

G.P. proposed R.D. seconded and all agreed to accept Calders quotation. A.D.J.B. expressed an interest and did not vote.

A.D.J.B. would ascertain from his land agents the exact boundary and have it staked.

(b) Sub-Committee. G.T., J.W. and G.P. agreed to act as members of the sub-committee to draw up guidelines for the administration of the cemetery. The Rector would be invited to attend.

7. 5802 Grant for school computer. The chairman of the governors requested a grant of £500 towards the cost of a B.B.C. microcomputer plus software.

After considerable discussion G.P. proposed and R.D. seconded that the council grant to the school £375, being the cost of the school's share of the computer and the B.B.C. pack of tapes.

Six voted in favour with two against. G.T. was recorded as being against.

8. 5803 Rate Precept 1984/5. The clerk reported that £5706 had been spent from April to November and that by March 1984 he forecast a balance of £6700. £6000 had been allocated in the 1983/84 precept for the purchase of Middleton's Pit and the village sign. Expenses anticipated included:

Village Hall - extra	£1000
School	£375
Tree planting	£200
Admin/General	<u>£6000</u>
	£7575

G.P. proposed, G.T. seconded and all agreed that the council precept for £8000, this sum being £2000 less than 1983/84.

9. 5804 Bills for Payment. It was proposed W.D.B., seconded R.D. and agreed by all that the following bills be paid:-

1. Bus Passes

Mr. C.H. Smith, 25 Butt Lane	£4.20
Mr. S. Kirkup, 13 Knights Way	£4.20
Mrs. A.M. Ewbank, 5 Old School Lane	£4.20
Mr. J.S. Ewbank, 5 Old School Lane	£4.20
Miss A.E. Kedge, 32 Cherry Close	£4.20

2. W. Heffer & Sons Ltd - Stationery £8.90
V.A.T. £1.34 £10.24

3. S.J. Daniels - clerk's salary Nov. £83.33
photocopying £2.58
post/phone £5.98 £91.89

4. R. Jaggard - Christmas tree £20.00

10. Any Other Business

5805 Radio Cambs. A report on Radio Cambs., had suggested that the developers would be providing certain facilities for Milton. This did not originate from the Council.

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5806 Horse Chestnut Knights Way. Mr. Hellingsworth had given permission to Mr. Hull of 6 Knights Way to fell a horse chestnut provided that a suitable replacement be planted.

Signed Beryl C. Waterson (Mrs).....Chairman 9th January 1984.....Date

II. PLANNING BUSINESS

1. 5807 The minutes of the meeting held on 7 November 1983 having been circulated were confirmed and signed.

2. Matters Arising

5808 Model Car Track - White Horse. K.P.H. reported that the (5782) ombudsman had found that there was no case to answer.

3. New Applications

- (a) 5809 S/1811/83/F E.E.B. - to replace part of 132,000 volt tower line with a lower height overhead line mounted on steel columns - no comments.
- (b) 5810 S/1844/83/F G. Starling, 25 Fen Road - brick and tile garage - no comments.
- (c) 5811 S/O195/83 I.C.F.C. Science Park - amendment - 7 metre mast for weather monitoring - no comments.

4. Decisions Received

- (a) 5812 D. Edwards, 22 Old School Lane - extension - refused - (5744) detrimental to neighbouring properties.
- (b) 5813 Cambridge Consultants Ltd., Science Park - extension (5751) of labs and offices and canteen extension - approved.
- (c) 5814 Centre Building, Science Park - erection of flag pole - (5753) approved for 5 years.
- (d) 5815 Granta Radio Ltd - permission for commercial radio (5754) station at Chesterton Fen Road - refused - contrary to policies GB3/1 & GB3/2 of the Draft Green Belt Plan.
- (e) 5816 Sinclair Research Ltd - Milton Hall - erection of (5746) extension and alterations - approved subject to conditions of protection of existing trees, surface material of road and parking spaces, professional removal of the trees to be felled and landscaping scheme.
- (f) 5817 C. Silverman, Blue Gates, Chesterton Fen Road - (5786) erection of storage buildings - approved.
- (g) 5818 M. Hall, Industrial Estate - Use of land rear of (5747) industrial units for crushing of stone and compound for storage of material - refused. Inappropriate use for a site in proposed Green Belt and in vicinity of proposed Country Park.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.45pm.

Signed Beryl C. Waterson (Mrs).....Chairman 9th January 1984.....Date