

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

Present: Mrs. B.C. Waterson (in the chair), S.B. Poulter, A.D.J. Bull,
R. Day, H.W.H. Easy, K.P. Humphries, G. Patten,
R.T. Summerfield, Mrs. G. Tonks, M. Waggett and the
Clerk S.J. Daniels.

Apologies received from: Cllr. J. Brackenbury.

I. COUNCIL BUSINESS

1. 5432 The minutes of the meeting held on 11 January 1983 had been circulated and were duly confirmed and signed.

2. Matters Arising

- 5433 Footbridge. Mr. Kisby confirmed by letter that the footbridge (5387) would be salted when appropriate.

B.C.W. having noticed that the gate at the end of Butt Lane had been left open and that children were crossing the road at surface level had asked the Clerk to contact the Department of Transportation. A reply had been received from Mr. Hudson stating that a further padlock had been issued to the farmer concerned with a request for his co-operation. In the event of the gate being left open again consideration would be given to stopping up this access. Council supported B.C.W.'s action.

- 5434 Chiropody Unit. Confirmation had been received that the (5388) Unit would visit Walkling Way on 18 February and 21 February.

- 5435 Middleton's Pit. Confirmation had been received from the (5409) District Valuer that the owners of the land were unwilling to enter into negotiations for the sale of this land by agreement at the present time.

- 5436 Milton Plan. The Clerk read a letter from Mr. Meek in which (5411/
12) he explained that if Milton wanted specific sites for recreation use north of Butt Lane the cost of purchase and preparation of these areas would almost certainly fall on the Parish Council. By only identifying however the general level of provision rather than allocating specific sites to specific recreational uses the onus for the provision of land would lie with the developer.

The Milton District Plan would in Mr. Meek's view adequately regulate development to the north east of the village. The revised Plan excludes the land immediately to the north and east of Milton Hall where development may be appropriate. He did not expect the designation of this area generally to alter in the Green Belt Subject Plan.

Concern was still expressed about the amount of recreational areas to be provided and the Clerk was instructed to ask Mr. Meek whether the village would be allocated the amount of recreation area north of Butt Lane as proposed in the 1981 Plan, especially in view of the fact that there was now a shortfall of 3 acres south of Butt Lane.

- 5437 Village Sign. Mr. Holder would be willing to provide (5413) sketches by the next meeting.

- 5438 Salvation Army. The Clerk read a letter from Captain Shead (5415) expressing his thanks at the £25 donation.

- 5439 Allotments - Roadway. A.D.J.B. would see Mr. Wagstaff.
(5416)
- 5440 A45 Interchange. Mr. Kisby had confirmed that the Clerk's
(5417) recent letter was receiving attention.
- 5441 Cemetery Extension. The Clerk had filled in the application
(5418) forms for planning permission for which a fee of £44 was needed. Site and press notices had been displayed and a letter sent to the landowners and tenant farmer as required by the Town and Country Planning Act. A confidential report from the District Valuer had been received. Messrs. Few and Kester had been instructed to act with regard to the purchase of the land.
- 5442 Bus Passes. The Clerk read letters from Mr. Thomas and
(5419) Mr. Watson passing on their thanks for the contribution towards their bus passes.
- 5443 13th Public Drain. K.P.H. explained that the Land Drainage
(5420) Committee had not yet had a site meeting.
3. 5444 District Councillor's Report.
- (a) Tear Drop Site. B.C.W. expressed the Council's disappointment of the City's approval of St. John's College Plans. K.P.H. explained that there had been a site meeting of S.C.D.C. Planning members. He hoped that the Planning Committee would refuse the plan. The Clerk was instructed to write to the S.C.D.C. in support of K.P.H.'s efforts explaining M.P.C.'s deep concern that any development on the Tear Drop Site would destroy the last piece of Green Belt land remaining between Cambridge and Milton. Such development would also result in a breach of the Structure Plan for industry in this area.
- 5445 (b) Gypsy Transit Site. The Secretary of the S.C.D.C. was trying to obtain a legal agreement with the City Council which would give the M.P.C., local residents and farmers the opportunity to make an effective reply to any complaints. The City Council provisional plans for the site were discussed and Mr. Paul Harrold was invited to make his comments. As a result the Clerk was instructed to write to the Secretary of the S.C.D.C. explaining that the following points were considered essential for ensuring the proper maintenance of the site:
- i) A chain link fence approx. 12ft high round the whole site to keep the travellers in.
 - ii) Proper supervision by a warden.
 - iii) Bollards as shown on the plan along the side of the Mere Way should be closer together.
 - iv) Adequate provision for storm water and foul drainage should be made.
- Surprise was expressed at the number of caravans that the City Council now envisaged. A copy of the letter would go to Cllr. J.B. and K.P.H.
- 5446 (c) Traffic Speed. B.C.W. expressed the Council's sympathy to Mr. Easy following the recent serious accident. Considerable discussion ensued as to how both the volume of the traffic through the village and the speed could be reduced. Insp. Waters who was invited

to speak by B.C.W. offered his advice and explained that the police could provide a data processing machine if requested which would measure every vehicle going through the village. Parents attending the meeting were also invited to pass on their comments which centred on the dangers in the High Street to children going to and from school.

S.B.P. proposed and R.D. seconded that the Clerk write to Mr. J. Edwards, Department of Transportation, explaining that in view of the recent serious accident, past accidents and the apparent increased volume of traffic:

1. the speed limit be reduced; ~~of~~ ^{scw}
2. the speed limit signs north of the village be extended to include the entrance to the E.E.B.; ~~of~~ ^{scw}
3. the dual carriageway section be reduced to single width with a possible change of priorities at the Fen Road junction.

R.T.S. proposed an amendment, seconded by H.W.H.E. to omit (1).

The voting on the amendment was 4 in favour, 5 against and therefore the proposal was carried.

The Clerk would also emphasise that the proposed development would inevitably increase the volume of traffic and that most importantly the scene of the accident was where the school children gather to cross the road.

Following G.P.'s suggestion Mr. Edwards would be invited to an "on site" meeting to discuss these points. A copy of the letter would be sent to Insp. Waters together with a request for the data processing machine. B.C.W. thanked Insp. Waters for his helpful advice.

K.P.H. agreed that M.P.C. could ask for such matters to be included in the Plan during the official period of deposit in May.

G.T. would ask the library van to be parked at the rear of the Lion and Lamb car park.

4. 5447 Tree Planting. R.D. was concerned that the wide verge opposite Boulton and Paul looked unsightly. The Clerk read a letter from Mr. Kisby which stated that the land had been purchased solely to provide clear visibility on the bend and that he could not agree to tree planting there. S.B.P. offered to provide top soil. It was agreed that the Clerk phone Mr. Kisby for permission to put top soil on the site.
- 5448 Grass Cutting. The consensus of opinion was that the grass cutting system had worked well in 1982. S.B.P. proposed, R.D. seconded and it was agreed to ask Mr. Butler to give a quotation for cutting the same areas as 1982.
5. 5449 Request for "For Sale" sign from Gray Cook. It was agreed that Gray Cook could erect a "Milton Hall For Sale" sign alongside the allotments bordering the A10 by-pass. R.T.S. would negotiate a fee.
6. 5450 Local Council Circular 1/83. These were duly received and noted together with the Emergency Planning in Community literature (E.P.I.C.) B.C.W.'s name had gone forward as a representative for E.P.I.C.
7. 5451 Annual Parish Meeting. It was agreed that the A.P.M. should be held on Tuesday April 26th at 8pm in the Village

Hall. The Clerk would arrange the advertising.

8. 5452 Bills for Payment and Money Received.

Money Received - British Telecom, Wayleave 0.25

It was proposed K.P.H., seconded A.D.J.B. and agreed by all that the following bills be paid:

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| 1. | Holton Furniture - 8' seat | 64.00 | |
| | Delivery | 22.08 | |
| | V.A.T. | <u>12.91</u> | 98.99 |
| 2. | W. Heffer & Sons Ltd - | | |
| | Tape & envs. | 1.89 | |
| | V.A.T. | <u>0.29</u> | 2.18 |
| 3. | D. Haird & Co. Ltd - Ditch piping | 356.10 | |
| | Bollards | <u>168.00</u> | 524.10 |
| 4. | S.W.B. Shipp - Village cleaning duties | | |
| | Nov. - Jan. | | 78.75 |
| 5. | <u>Bus Passes</u> | | |
| | Mrs. G.B. Deas, 54 Old School Lane | | 4.20 |
| | Mrs. V.G. Rowell, 30 Cherry Close | | 4.20 |
| | Mr. E.C. Day, 29 Butt Lane | | 4.20 |
| | Mrs. N. Venney, 10 Walkling Way | | 4.20 |
| | Mr. C.H. Fromant, 33 Fen Road | | 4.20 |
| | Mrs. D.L. Jennings, 49 Coles Road | | 4.20 |
| | Mrs. V. Beldon, 45 Cambridge Road | | 4.20 |
| 6. | S.J. Daniels - Clerk's salary Jan. | 83.33 | |
| | photocopying | 4.41 | |
| | post & phone | 5.21 | |
| | whisky (min. 5415) | <u>6.99</u> | 99.94 |
| 7. | S.C.D.C. Planning application fee for | | |
| | Cemetery extension | | 44.00 |

9. Any Other Business

5453 Trees - Fen Road. M.W. had recently spoken to Mr. Hellingsworth (5317) who had made no further contact with the farmer; he would put a T.P.O. on the spinney at the eastern end. M.W. would remind Mr. Hellingsworth about the planting of trees along the side of Fen Road.

5454 13th Public Drain. K.P.H. read a letter from Mr. R. Arnold indicating that a section of the 13th Public Drain between the A10 and the B.R. main line would require improving. M.P.C. approved this action providing it was in keeping with the A.W.A. report. K.P.H. would inform Mr. Arnold by letter.

5455 Coles Road. The Clerk was instructed to contact Mr. Kisby about the state of Coles Road in general and opposite the Village Hall in particular.

5456 Landfill Site. The Clerk read a letter from Mr. Tassellapologising for the recent litter problems especially during the severe gales. He indicated that he would like to see the ~~site~~ north eastern section filled during the next two years or so. BCW

5457 Pear Tree - Willow Crescent. The Clerk read a letter from Mrs. Twinn of 22 Willow Crescent pointing out that the pear tree on the corner of Willow Crescent was unsafe and could constitute a danger. The Clerk would write to the E.E.B. as owners of this piece of land.

Signed ..*Beryl C. Watson (Mrs.)*....Chairman ...*7th*...*March*...*1983*...Date

II. PLANNING BUSINESS

1. 5458 The minutes of the meeting held on 11 January 1983 had been circulated. Minute 5429 "one of the residents of...." was altered to "a Milton resident." The minutes were then confirmed and signed.

2. Matters Arising

5459 Concrete Crusher. An appeal would be held in March or April. (5050)

5460 Boulton and Paul. The Clerk read a letter of apology from (5423) Mr. Sillery for not having replied earlier and also a copy of a letter sent to Boulton and Paul. K.P.H. was able to confirm that as a result Boulton and Paul would be happy to plant hedging in conjunction with the Parish Council. M.W. would see Mr. Dench of Boulton and Paul.

5461 T.P.O. - Old School Lane. The Trees Officer had confirmed that (5424) the small silver birch which had been moved was not included in the T.P.O. and that although consent should have been obtained for the surgery work on one of the alders he did not propose proceeding with any legal action against the developer.

3. New Applications

5462(a) S/0012/83 D.W. Spiers, 78 Fen Road - extension of temporary permission S/1870/81/F mobile home - no comment.

5463(b) S/0045/83 Grundy Business Systems, Science Park - erection of four Portakabins for temporary office and laboratory accommodation. S.B.P. commented that the buildings were in fact already up. M.P.C. strongly objected because the development was not in keeping with the character of the Science Park and premature to planning permission being granted.

5464(c) Lemin and Company, 87/89 Cambridge Road - minor (5404) amendments. For Information Only.

There being no other planning business the meeting was closed at 10.39pm.

Signed Beryl C. Watson (hus) Chairman ... 7th March 1983 ... Date