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A MEETING OF MILTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, COLES ROAD, ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 1974, at 7.45 p.m.

Present: Mr.D.Fearson (Chairman) in the Chair; Mrs.M.E.Jones and Mrs.B.C.Watson; Messrs H.W.H.Easy, L.M.Forbes, P.Kiddle, M.J.D. Nurse, R.T.Summerfield and the Clerk.

Apology from Mrs.J.G.Chinnick, prevented from attending by illness.

2282 - PROPOSED The Clerk reported on comments received in reply to his MILTON-BY-PASS letter and provisional alternative routes circulated to (2265) those present at the meeting on November 23 (2264).

He had spoken to Mr.G.Easy, Mr.F.Goodin and Mrs.J.Barton who all expressed satisfaction, Mr.G.Rowlinson, in a letter read out by the Clerk, expressed 'full agreement'.

The Clerk also read out letters from Mr.A.J.D.Bull, Mr.N.Asplin and Mr.Benfield (Farm School). They expressed a wish for the shortest possible route as close to the village as possible and had misgivings that the Council's suggestions encroached too much on highest grade farmland.

The Council very carefully considered all the comments and the letters in detail and re-considered the provisional alternative routes together with the written submission drawn-up by the Clerk.

It was felt by the Council that their own suggestions did not take the route an excessive distance from the village. The Council agreed it was not necessary to delineate three alternatives at the southern end, marked 'a, b, & c' on the P.C. plan of provisional alternatives, and therefore decided to select route 'a' as the best alternative on the grounds of following field boundaries and crossing very low grade farmland in the old army camp region. They further agreed on routes 'de' or 'df' as benefiting Mr.Bull (further from Rectory farmhouse than the DOE route) and causing less interference to both Mr. Bull and Mr. Asplin's farmland. Route 'f' was also supported by Mr. Benfield as well as Mr. Bull and Mr. Asplin.

The Council (unanimous in their own decision) could not, however, agree with the last three named that the DOE route south of 'e' or 'f' was preferable to their own suggestion of route 'ad'. Accordingly, therefore, the Council agreed unanimously to submit the two alternative routes 'ade' and 'adf' with appropriate written comment.

They further agreed that the Clerk's provisional comments be amended to exclude mention of route lengths and to include mention of the advantage of the Council's route crossing low-grade land on the old camp site.

The By-passes Inquiry Report - The Clerk showed the large volume containing the Inspector's Report of the Inquiry which extended from Feb. to July, 1972.

The Council agreed with his suggestion that some photocopies be made of the summary passages relevant to the Council's objection and the Inspector's decision and comments thereon, for any who may be interested at the next Annual Parish Meeting.

2283 - PUBLIC TOILETS & The Clerk reported that the Architect (Mr. J. CHANGING ROOMS (2267) Taylor), as a result of conversations with the CRDC Engineer, would now include the Public Toilets portion on the drawings. When completed he would insert the statutory notice in the Press and provide the Clerk with the site notice for erection. He now proposed to submit two sets of plans for planning approval, with and without the public toilets included.

2284 - SPEED LIMIT REVIEW (2268) The small traffic islands and bollards now being erected at the Fen road / Landbeach road/ A10 junction were commented on and discussed.

2285 - ELECTRICITY FAILURE in FEN RD AREA (2277) The Clerk had written to Eastern Electricity seeking assurances that the lengthy supply failures last November and early December would not recur, and awaited reply.

2286 - BROKEN GLASS ON RECREATION GROUND - MILK BOTTLE RECOVERY SERVICE (2278) In response to the Clerk's request the Public Health Inspector had asked the London office of M.B.R.S. to improve the fencing of their Milton Depot and cover in the cullet bay.

2287 - INDISCRIMINATE CAR-PARKING (2279) The Clerk had reported to Messrs Marshalls (Cambridge) Ltd. that complaints had been received about parking outside their flats and asked them, if their tenants were responsible, to take appropriate action regarding use of their own car park at the rear of the flats.

2288 - CARAVAN BEHIND 24, CAMBRIDGE RD(2280) The Clerk reported that the Public Health Inspector had investigated and found that the caravan was being used as an 'extra room' to the house and no licence under the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960, was needed. The County Planning Dept. had given permission for this purpose and the Inspector felt that everything was in order.

2289 - LITTER BINS (2240) The Clerk reported that Metalliform Ltd. promised the bins within seven days.

2290 - FINANCIAL REVIEW The Clerk reported Deposit Acc. balance of £3021.11 and Current Acc. balance of £425.46 - a total of £3,446.57.

2291 - RATE PRECEPT 1974/1975 Consideration was given to future expenditure, particularly the toilets and changing room scheme which had now reached the drawing board stage.

On the proposition of Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mr. Kiddle, it was agreed unanimously to precept for the sum of £4,000. The Precept for this amount was therefore signed by the Council.

2292 - 'BUS SHELTER CLEANING - R.BUCK Proposed by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mr. Summerfield that Mr. Buck be asked to extend his duties to collecting litter near the Coles road shops and on the Recreation Ground for which the Council would offer him £1 per wk.

2293 - CLERK'S PAY (2089) Proposed by Mr. Summerfield, seconded by Mr. Nurse that no action be taken. Agreed unanimously.

2294 - BILLS FOR PAYMENT Proposed by Mrs. Waterson, seconded by Mr. Kiddle that the following bills be paid:

	£
W. Heffer & Sons - repair to stapler	1.00
K.P. Humphries: Sal. & exp. for Dec!73	37.50
Post. dup. etc.	7.70
	<u>£46.20</u>

PLANNING CONSULTATIONS.

DECISION NOTICE RECEIVED.

2295 - C/73/1135 (2275) - Gilbert Rice Ltd.: Motor dealers premises, sales, maintenance, service, & demolition of Bene't Farm. Refused on several grounds:

(2295 contd.)

1. (i) Traffic hazard adverse to free-flow on A.10 trunk road
(ii) Cambridge Northern By-pass/A.10 junction details not available
2. Scale and nature of operations undesirable in Cambridge Green Belt
3. Further commercial activity here prejudicial to amenities enjoyed by adjoining residential areas - noise, traffic, fumes.
4. (i) Detrimental effect on the Bene't Farm holding
(ii) High quality farm land would be taken
(iii) Would necessitate demolition of farm buildings.

FOR CONSIDERATION

2296 - C/73/1329/D - Sidget Ltd. workshop, offices, showrooms, canteen (2275) toilets. The Clerk's further inquiries elicited that the outline permission for this had been given in June, 1971 - together with an adjoining plot (Middleton). As the sewage embargo was introduced in 'mid-1970' (ref: CRDC to Co. Planning) it was not operated in this case.

The Council agreed this was unfair and the Clerk instructed to reply with that comment.

2297 - CB/73/882/S1 - (N.B. not Milton parish - courtesy consultation) Redland-Purle. Letter recd. from Co. Planning Officer further to his of 25 October last: revised application now made viz: vehicle depot, offices, workshops, liquid waste storage tanks etc. and access road; 1,400 feet from A.10.

Agreed no objection could be seen at the moment.

2298 - C/73/1429/F - O. Ludwick - bungalow rear of 15 Knight's Way (= small plot adjoining A.10, ex. Kirk's). Agreed objection on grounds of dangerous access from A.10; insufficient space and would not add to visual amenity in consequence.

2299 - C/73/1037/F/Wo - Winship Gravel pit (now Middleton's) - filling (2214) in. Letter and plans received from Planning Officer concerning various schemes for its recreational use; also suggesting a meeting.

The Council re-iterated its firm wish that, at all costs, a stop-line to industrial development must be drawn at the southern end of this pit at the boundary with the Winship industrial development.

They further agreed that as it adjoins the Recreation Ground it is desirable that the parish should have first choice of its use and an extension of the Recreation ground would be highly appropriate. This would be a great convenience to sports clubs for alternative accommodation when resting pitches. The parish population is still increasing and likely to continue and a fresh impetus will no doubt be given to this when the sewage embargo is eventually lifted.

The Clerk was instructed to convey the Council's comments to the Planning Officer and to suggest that the proposed meeting be between this Council and the Planning Officer before involving the pit-owner.

NOT CIRCULATED (The following had been returned by the Clerk with comments as shown)

2300 - C/73/1353/F. R. Milne - ext. - lounge, kitchen, bathroom, toilet 23, Fen. road. - No objection

2301 - C/73/1347/F M.R. Prees - ext. - lounge, bedroom - 2 Fen rd. No obj.

2302 - C/73/1378/F C. Silverman - Office in open storage bldg. OSP 294 Blue Gates, Fen rd. CHESTERTON (C/73/1301 - open storage bldg. recently approved) - No objection.

The Council approved the Clerk's comments as above to 2300-2302.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

STATE OF HIGHWAYS

2303 - FLOODING OF PAVEMENT BETWEEN BENE'T GARAGE AND WINSHIP ESTATE ENTRANCE Mr. Nurse pointed out the very bad condition of this length of footpath after rain. The path is not only flooded for considerable lengths but the water extends right across the footway making it impassable.

2304 - FLOODING AT SHIRLEY CLOSE/FEN ROAD JUNCTION. The Chairman also remarked on similar flooded conditions at this junction where the water also extends right across the road.

The Clerk agreed to report both these matters to the County Highways Dept.

2305 - PARISH TREE PLANTING (2269) In reply to Mr. Nurse the Clerk confirmed that trees had been ordered through the County Forestry Officer. As agreed, (MIN: 2190), 5 Norway Maples and 5 Silver Birch, (on 5 Dec.)

2306 - DATE OF NEXT MEETING This was agreed again for the first Tuesday in the month which would fall on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1974.

This concluded the business and the Chairman closed the meeting.

Signed *S. Pearson* Chairman

Date *5-2-74*