

9. Any Other Business

3797 Complaint - Flooding. K.P.H. had received a complaint from Mr. Power of Rose Cottage, Chesterton Fen Road. The Chairman felt that before the Council could offer their support an official approach should be made to the Council with further details and K.P.H. agreed to investigate.

3798 Carol Service Posters. B.C.W. suggested that the Council should thank (3751)Mrs. D. Hubbard at the School for organising the preparation of the excellent posters advertising the carol service.

The meeting was closed at 9.45 p.m.

Signed.....*R. Summerfield*.....Chairman.....*8.1.79*.....Date

Minutes of Meetings of Milton Parish Council held on Monday 8th January 1979 at 7.30 p.m. in Milton Primary School.

Present: R.T. Summerfield (in the Chair), M. Waggett, G. Patten, Mrs. M.E. Jones, Mrs. B.C. Waterson, H. Easy, D.J. Cook, S.B. Poulter, Councillor K.P. Humphries and the Clerk B.K. Connor.

Apologies for absence received from P. Kiddle and Councillor Crossman.

1. PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE

R.T.S. opened the meeting by welcoming Mr. H. Easy. It was confirmed that Mr. R. Turrall-Clarke, the Senior Legal Officer, S.C.D.C., had contacted the Clerk and felt that it would be preferable not to attend the meeting but offered his assistance to the Council if required.

1. 3799 R.T.S. asked if there were any objections to him taking the Chair of the Planning Sub-Committee, and since there were none the minutes of the meeting of 16th October, which had been already circulated, were confirmed and signed.

2. There were no matters arising.

3. 3800 Planning Appeals by MacGlinchy Barry & Co. (3386) and Gates & Marsh - both of which involve the Stokes Land.

The Clerk read to the Council details of the dates for the proposed hearing and also the background to both appeals. The Chairman pointed out that the appeal hearings covered a total of 5 days and it was apparent that no-one would be able to spare the time to attend. The Chairman had prepared written comments summarising the situation which he felt covered the Council's feelings in the matter and copies were duly circulated to Councillors for discussion.

Following a proposal by G.P., seconded by M.W., it was agreed by a vote of 6 in favour and one against, that the Clerk should submit these comments to S.C.D.C. Mr. H. Easy however felt that the development should be permitted.

It was felt that on the original planning consultation (min. 3289) the word further should be inserted before the word objections in the final sentence since it was felt that the statement submitted by the Clerk could be misleading. This point would be included in the Clerk's letter to S.C.D.C.

Signed.....Chairman.....Date

II. PLANNING COMMITTEE

1. 3801 The minutes of the meeting held on 4th December 1978 had been circulated and were confirmed and signed.

2. Matters Arising

3802 Complaint Regarding Lemins. There was no progress to report and the (3766) the Chairman asked for the matter to be carried forward to the next meeting.

3. New Applications

a) 3803 S/2124/78 - H.C. Moss, erection of 28 houses on Shirley Close Estate. (3777) The Council examined the plans and heard the letter written by Mr. Moss which confirmed the required reduction in density of housing and also the removal of the back-to-back style houses which the Parish Council did not favour.

Bearing in mind the comments of the D.of E. Inspector at the recent appeal the Council felt that the traffic access argument would no longer be valid. In view of this it was proposed by H.E., seconded by B.C.W. and agreed unanimously that no objections should be raised to the new proposal.

b) 3804 S/2147/78 - Few Mackay Ltd., raising of level of flooded field in Chesterton Fen. It was felt that tipping should only be allowed if it does not cause flooding to adjoining properties. A restriction should be imposed on the depth of filling and no hardcore should be used if as stated the field is to be returned to meadow.

c) 3805 S/2073/78 - Edmund House, Cambridge Road - extension - no objections but M.W. suggested that the bricks should match existing.

4. Decisions Received

3806 S/1664/78 - 1665/78 and 1666/78 - Burrows/Day, rear of 24-26 Cambridge Road (3729) - erection of dwelling(s) - all approved subject to full details of the buildings with access being prepared, colour and type of materials being used to be specified and provision to be made for the parking of two cars on site. Foul drainage to be provided and the driveway to be widened to 5m where possible.
S/1667/78 - refused on the grounds that this would result in a cramped and undesirable form of development.

Signed..... *B. Sumner* Chairman..... *5 February 1979* Date

III. COUNCIL BUSINESS

1. 3807 The minutes of the meeting of 4th December had been circulated and were confirmed and signed.

2. Matters Arising

3808 Overhanging Trees. The Clerk had received a reply from the County Surveyor (3754) confirming that an inspection of the trees in Fen Road appeared to reveal that there were no obstructions. B.C.W. however reported that the tree in the corner of the Edmund House garden on Cambridge Road was still a danger and the Clerk would report this to the Divisional Surveyor.

3809 Road Flooding - Goding Way. The Divisional Surveyor confirmed that when (3782) the gullies are cleansed the rodding of drains between them is not included mainly on the grounds of shortage of labour and funds. Another inspection had been made on 11th December following rain and no problems were apparent. The Council decided not to pursue the matter any further.

- 3810 Milton By-pass/- Butt Lane Crossing. Mr. J. Lapham once again apologised (3783) for not being able to attend the meeting. The Clerk had not received a reply to the Council's letter of 6th December and this should be chased before the next meeting.
- 3811 Christmas Tree/Carol Service. It was reported that there had been problems (3784) in the arrangements for the collection of the tree and also the size of the tree this year involved a great deal of difficulty in attempting to erect it and damage had occurred to both the tree and several of the lights. H.E. volunteered to handle all the arrangements himself should the Council decide to instal a tree in 1979, and the Clerk expressed his thanks to Mr. Easy for all his help on this occasion. S.B.P. would remove the lights and H.E. would arrange for removal of the tree. The Clerk should write to Mr. D. Pearson to thank him for helping to unload the tree when it was delivered, and also to the Salvation Army for providing the Carol Service which was fairly successful in view of the cold weather conditions. G.P. suggested that the arrangements for the tree should be initiated in September on the Clerk's forward planner. M.E.J. added that the landlord of the Jolly Brewers had verbally offered the Council the tree outside the public house to be decorated if required.
- 3812 Allotments - Notice to Quit. K.P.H. had received a letter of complaint (3781) from one of the tenants Mr. D. Coulson following the letter issued by the Lands Tribunal to the effect that a hearing would take place in due course concerning the notice to quit. The Clerk was asked to write to George Comins to ascertain progress on the situation and to offer a site meeting if required to provide any further useful information for the hearing.
- 3813 Street Lighting. The County Surveyor had replied to the Clerk's enquiry (3785) and confirmed that work should commence in Milton during March of this year on the restoration of full lighting. The Council were extremely pleased to receive this news, and the Clerk would place a copy on the Notice Board for information.
- 3814 Eastern Electricity Access. The Clerk received a reply dated 8th December (3788) confirming that an application has just been re-submitted by E.E. for planning permission for a new entrance. It would however not be possible to re-route all heavy vehicles in a northerly direction on cost and inefficiency grounds. Drivers would be instructed to take extra care should the child crossing facilities in the High Street be withdrawn. The Council would be advised of any developments.
3. 3815 Parish Ditches. K.P.H. had contacted the Environmental Health Officer (3795) regarding the silting of the 13th public drain which appears to emanate from the Winship Estate rather than the by-pass as suspected. A pump near Mr. Jenkins' property of unknown ownership seems to be the cause and would be investigated. An area of the drain near its crossing with the railway is under dispute responsibility-wise between ~~R.D.C.~~ ^{Cambridge CC} and S.C.D.C. ~~Chester~~ It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Mr. S.J. Flint asking for confirmation that the whole of the 13th public drain would be cleared this year particularly at the east end where trees are causing obstruction near the railway crossing point which it is understood is the subject of some dispute with the City Council. It would also be helpful to learn when the rest of Bankers Ditch will be cleared as this has already been the subject of some experimental work. It should also be pointed out that the public drains are all in need of attention and details of the course of action are requested.
- The Chairman also asked the Clerk to contact Mr. Higgins of the E.R.C.U. requesting details of the drainage scheme which was promised in earlier correspondence 21/12/77.

4. 3816 Bills for Payment. It was proposed by H.E., seconded by G.P., and agreed that the following bills be paid:-

1. W. Heffer & Sons Ltd. - 3 packets of envelopes	£1-92
2. Eastern Electricity - bus shelter lighting - 29/12/78	£4-18
3. Scitech Publications - copying agenda/mins. - January	£5-24
4. S-print - 500 letterheaded sheets	£12-87
5. Mrs. J.R. Connor - secretarial duties 10 hrs @ £1.10	£11-00
posts & telephone for December	2-73
6. Mr. B.K. Connor - clerk's salary for December	£13-73
7. Mr. S.B. Poulter - 40 bulbs & 2 gala sets for Christmas	£41-25
Tree lights	£33-56

5. Any Other Business

3817 Cambs. Structure Plan. The Clerk read to the Council a letter from the County Planning Officer advising that the Written Statement and Supplement to the Report of Survey (both January 1979) are now available with single copies free upon request.

The plan is being advertised in the press and will be available for inspection at Cottenham Branch Library on 8th January.

The Clerk was asked to request copies and express the Council's surprise that in view of the development proposed for this Village a copy was not provided automatically.

3818 Flooding - Junction Fen Road. Mr. D. Parsons of Long Reach House had provided copies of correspondence with the Environmental Health Officer involving ditches in Fen Road adjoining his property. The Clerk was asked to acknowledge the correspondence and ask for the Council to be kept in the picture.

3819 Cambs. Association of Local Councils Circular. The Council were asked to consider whether they are willing to undertake internal grass cutting providing that the saving in cost to the County Council who currently carry out the work is paid back to the Parish Council. Following a proposal by G.P. which was seconded by D.J.C. it was proposed that the present method of grass cutting should be continued.

3820 Road Construction Work by Bovis. M.E.J. felt that before Bovis leave the Milton site they should be thanked for the excellent way the work has been carried out and the minimum level of interference and inconvenience which has been caused. It was appreciated that there had been some problems but the Council felt it appropriate to pass on their feelings and the proposal was therefore seconded by S.B.P. and agreed.

3821 Northern By-pass Crossing with A10. G.P. reported that pedestrians, cyclists and even cars have been crossing the northern by-pass via the old A10 route even though the new road was open. There is no fencing or barrier to prevent this happening and the Clerk was therefore requested to write to the R.C.U. to ask if some temporary obstruction could be erected until the project is complete.

3822 Reimbursement of Expenses - Mr. H. Easy - Christmas Tree Collection. B.C.W. felt that in view of all the problems and inconvenience involved in collecting the Council's Christmas Tree from Madingley, that Mr. Easy should be offered compensation for the cost of fuel and transportation. The Clerk was empowered to offer Mr. Easy or his driver up to a maximum of £15.

The meeting was closed at 10.45 p.m.

Signed..... *B. Sumner* Chairman..... *5th February 1979* Date