

A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WITH RESIDENTS CLOSELY AFFECTED BY THE MILTON BY-PASS - HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1974, 7.30pm.

Apologies from Parish Councillors, Mrs.Chinnick, Mrs.Jones & Mrs.Watsonson.

Present: Councillors D.Pearson (Chairman), HWHEasy, LMForbes, PKiddle, RTSummerfield and the Clerk.

Invited residents: Mr.Neville Asplin, Mr. & Mrs J.Barton (also representing Mr.J.Coulson) Mr & Mrs David Bull, Mr. & Mrs Fred Carlton, Mr. W. Downham, Mr. Graham Easy, Mr & Mrs George Rowlinson. The foregoing had been circulated with notice of this meeting and copies of the By-pass plans sent to the Council by the DoE.

Several other residents were present.

The Chairman and Clerk briefly recapitulated the necessity of a Milton By-pass resulting from the forecast of a large increase in traffic through Milton after the construction of a Northern By-pass and how representations to the DoE had duly been made following a previous meeting with residents in November, 1973 on the preliminary proposals for the Milton By-pass. They felt that the wishes of the meeting had largely been met by the ERCU of the DoE.

The Clerk told the meeting that the ERCU Engineer (Mr.Daisley) had emphasised to him recently that everyone had full right to object to the following:

1. The line now proposed for the Milton By-pass
2. Side roads, junctions, accesses and stoppings-up of both the Northern and Milton By-passes.
3. The Compulsory Purchase Orders (which had now been issued)

and also said the Engineer had offered to discuss personally any problems with people affected on application to him.

The Chairman then invited comments on the latest proposals.

2562/1 SUGGESTED EASTERN ROUTE - Mr.Carlton suggested a route between the Ely railway line and the village on the eastern side and asked for it to be put forward as a serious proposal. He claimed it would have the merit of avoiding the creation of two dangerous junctions, on Butt Lane and the Landbeach road (about which many were concerned) and would also use less valuable farmland.

The meeting endorsed the merits while realising a large interchange would have to be created on the Sewage Farm approached by a long section of road across the Farm from Kings Hedges.

2562/2 JUNCTIONS ON BUTT LANE & LANDBEACH ROAD -Much concern shown; unanimously agreed that representations be made as to the dangers to cyclists and other traffic using the two roads to and from the village - particularly at the former junction which would be used by schoolchildren to and from Impington College.

At the latter junction difficulties and dangers would be created by necessary movements of farm stock from the Farm School across the By-pass.

Further unanimously agreed to press for subways at those junctions; it was considered bridges not desirable there on amenity and cost grounds, particularly in Butt Lane where the Greenhouse would be overshadowed.

2562/3 RESERVE LAND - Concern expressed as to what would be done about maintaining the conditions of the extra road width of land which the Clerk understood was to be taken against possible future widening of the By-pass.

Mr & Mrs Barton (on behalf of Mr Coulson) asked (i) if the increased width encroaching on part of the garden of the Greenhouse could be reduced, and (ii) pointed out that the proposed route cut off a portion of the orchard in Butt Lane from access with the remainder - and asked for representations on these two points to be made.

2562/4 TREE BELTS & NOISE SCREENING - Mr. Rowlinson asked that representations be made for adequate tree screening in the vicinity of dwellings on noise and visual amenity grounds and emphasised the necessity of early planting .

2562/5 NEED FOR A MILTON BY-PASS - Some opinions were expressed that the traffic dangers in the village were not enough to warrant a By-pass and the alternative was suggested of siting roundabouts at the Fen road junction and in the Bene't Farm area to slow through traffic on the A10.

On the other hand Mr. Summerfield, and others, expressed the view that there was now a large body of village opinion in favour of a village By-pass and this meeting, being necessarily composed of residents living on or near the proposed route, was not representative of the village.

The Clerk thought it possible the Parish Council might (after discussing the position very shortly) call a public meeting before the possible DOE Public Inquiry into CPO's. If so announcement would be made.

The Chairman thanked all who had attended and who had contributed to the useful discussion and then closed the meeting.

Signed *J. Pearson* Chairman 5-2-75 Date

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EMERGENCY MEETING OF PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS HELD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE ABOVE MEETING.

Present: DP (Chmn); HWHE, LMF, PK, RTS, & Clerk.

The Clerk pointed out that the very tight time schedule, with Christmas intervening, had not allowed the Council to meet to discuss procedure for public consultation and he felt it necessary to take this opportunity.

He pointed out that a number of uninvited residents had telephoned him before this evening showing keen interest and also reminded the Council that the Northern By-pass Engineer (Mr. H. Lawrence) had ~~promised~~ promised to send a representative to address another public meeting if the occasion arose.

The Clerk also said that when consulting the Milton By-pass Engineer, Mr. Daisley, on December 23 he had provisionally accepted on behalf of the Council, Mr. Daisley's offer to come and meet Parish Council members at an early date and he now put this forward to the Council as a recommendation.

It was thereupon agreed unanimously that:

1. Mr. Daisley be asked to meet the Parish Council on MONDAY AFTERNOON, JANUARY 13th., at 2.30 p.m. in the VILLAGE HALL.
2. A PUBLIC MEETING be held about the last week in JANUARY, and Mr. Daisley be asked to address this: date to be negotiated by the Clerk.

The Chairman then closed the meeting.

Signed *J. Pearson* Chairman 5-2-75 Date.