

## CARLTON-ON-TRENT PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE EXTRA-ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 27<sup>th</sup> May 2010 at 7.30pm at the Village Hall

Present: (Vice-Chair), Mr T.Cooper, Mr C.N. Hemstock, Mrs J Clark, Mr N Walton, Mrs Liz Wells-Pope Mrs S. Beresford (Clerk) and 9 members of the Public

Apologies for Absence: Lt Col G E Vere-Laurie (Chairman) Mrs R Whate (Vice Chair)

In the absence of both the Chairman and Vice-Chair- Mrs J Clark assumed the Chair.

#### 1) Planning

- a) Demolition of Farm Buildings and Conversion of former barns into No. 1 dwelling, former stables into workshops and carport, former cartshed into garages and erection of 4 No. Detached dwellings, 3 No. Terraced houses and associated garages (Extant permission)

An explanation given regarding the definition of Extant permission (permission that has not expired) and therefore the purpose of the application was to grant a further time frame for works to take place. Many residents from the community in attendance wished to ask questions particularly in respect of the access to the site. The original planning application was refused in 2006 both by the parish and District Council and permission granted on appeal.

The planning applicant Mr G Vere-Laurie was in attendance at the meeting and Madam Chair granted permission for Mr Vere-Laurie to answer questions from the floor. The questions

debated discussed access on Old Bell Lane and the plans to widen the road way and formulate a pavement. The drainage issues were discussed despite the sewage level accepted by the Water authority as part of the planning process.

The footpath planned was in response to the diversion of the public footpath. The recent Notts County Council consultation did not indicate any objection to the diversion of the footpath, however, it was pointed out that minimal information was available during this consultation.

One resident was concerned about parking issues on Old Bell Lane, residents have enjoyed the right to park outside dwellings and place of work. The County Council have indicated to some residents that they would be liable if their vehicles created an obstruction.

The main concern was that the proposed pavement would significantly narrow the lane. One resident expressed concern that the District Council had failed to recognise that a Workshop at the end of Old Bell Lane was in existence and had been in operation for over 30 years. Another resident expressed concern about the Beech Trees and whether these would be destroyed as part of the development. Another resident inquired about the name "Park Farm" as he was under the impression that he lived in Park Farm- he wished the developers to check the correct name of the proposed site. After lengthy discussion, the Parish Councillors were asked by the Chair to support to object to the proposal to extend the time scale.

Mr Walton proposed the Parish Council support the proposal, Mrs Wells-Pope seconded and all present unanimously agreed

b) Scoping opinion request for a Wind Farm- Field  
Reference No 0537 Norwell Lane Carlton-On-Trent

A scoping exercise is to ascertain wind resources and feasibility, grid connection and local plan.

This initial stage will include the application for permission to site a nometer for 12-24 months to measure wind resources and the final planning permission for siting of the turbines will be much further down the line.

Those present engaged in a lengthy debate about factors including noise which was agreed as the least possible deciding factor due to existing noise from the A1 carriageway. In the process of the application significant expert opinion will be sought. One concern was in relation to the height of the turbines (100 metres) and the impact on surrounding parishes, particularly Norwell. The turbines would certainly dominate the landscape and the visual impact must be taken into account. However, following the discussion it appeared that those present were in favour of alternative resources and the utilisation of wind energy. The Chair asked those Parish Councillors present to vote either to support or oppose the scoping exercise. Mr N Walton proposed the parish Council support the proposal; this was seconded by Mr C Hemstock and unanimously supported.

## 2) Financial Matters

### a) Payment of Village Hall Fees

The Clerk presented the invoices for 29<sup>th</sup> April and 27<sup>th</sup> May 2010 meeting hall hire totalling £20.00 Proposed by Mr C Hemstock and seconded by Mr N Walton.

## Any Other Business

To add to the next agenda:

Paths and Pavement along Old Bell Lane as part of the park  
Farm development.

Birch Trees along Old Bell Lane

There being no further business, the meeting closed at  
20.10pm.