

# CARLTON-ON-TRENT PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the extra-ordinary meeting of the Carlton-on-Trent Parish Council held on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2013 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Present: Robbie Whate (Chair), Terry Cooper (Vice-Chair), Jean Clark, Nigel Fletcher, Margaret Eley, Fiona Jerome, Tanya Grimes (Temporary Clerk) and 9 members of the public

### 1. Apologies for absence

Kevin Smith, Christine Rose

### 2. Declaration of interest in items on the agenda

TC declared an interest in item 3b

At this point the chair opened the meeting to the public for comments on the planning matters. The owner of Willow Forge Stables pointed out that planning permission for work on the stables had already been granted in 2006 and work was already under way. The only new work in this application was to put 2 bedrooms in the footprint of the stables.

### 3. Planning

#### (a) Decisions made

None

#### (b) Planning applications to discuss

##### **13/00311/FUL** Willow Forge Stables

TC informed the Council that he had received 2 notifications and asked whether this meant that there would need to be another meeting to discuss a second aspect of the plans; 13/00325/CAC. It was felt that the application under discussion encompassed the second aspect which was simply the demolition of the stables.

No-one had any comments to make and a vote was carried unanimously in support of the application.

#### (c) Any other planning business

##### **12/0949/FUL** Ossington Rd Wind Turbine Appeal

All information sent to NSDC regarding this application will be forwarded to the Planning Inspectorate so only new objections or support need to be submitted. A statement from Mr G Vere Laurie was read saying that the original 5 turbines would not be financially viable and the existing turbine had allayed fears of noise or light flicker. It was felt that the Parish Council should re-iterate their objection stating that they had hoped a Local Energy Policy would have been developed by now and that the concern was that a drip drip approach could result in 5 turbines. The submission must be made in triplicate before 10<sup>th</sup> April.

### 4. Clerk Update

A letter was read out from Mrs H Cobb requesting payment of wages ASAP. There was no attempt to explain the lack of evidence regarding work done or lack of communication but there was a new sick note dated March 19<sup>th</sup> and an offer to return the hall keys and memory stick. It was decided that a letter should be sent formalising the dismissal and paying the wages as agreed at the last meeting. TC offered to deliver this at the same time as collecting the keys.

There was some discussion as to whether there needed to be an advertisement for a new clerk and it was agreed that there should be an advertisement.

## **5. Financial matters**

### **(a) Payment of Village Hall fees**

The fee was set at £3. JC proposed payment and ME seconded the motion.

### **(b) Any other outstanding financial matters**

- The roses and some compost for the churchyard have been purchased at a cost of £18.27. JC proposed payment and ME seconded the motion. It was agreed that the remainder of the £50 given by Councillor Laughton should be spent on a sign to say the rose was planted for the Jubilee.
- An invoice for £102.96 has been received for the emptying of the dog bins. JC proposed payment and ME seconded the motion. There followed a discussion as to whether a second dog bin should be provided at the cross roads but it was felt that the cost of buying and ongoing cost of emptying was prohibitive. A suggestion was made that signs be obtained to notify dog walkers that they could use standard litter bins provided the dog mess was bagged. The Parish Council do not pay for normal bins to be emptied.
- A cheque for wages to Mrs H Cobb was also written.

## **6. AOB**

Thanks were expressed to TC and KS for clearing the Beck near to Spittle Bridge. The missing bank statements have now been replaced. However, a new letter which included the address of Tanya Grimes is required for the bank to change the delivery address for statements. TC offered to write this.

It has been brought the attention of a Councillor that there are always 2 or 3 cars for sale on the grass verge at Castle Hill and the question of whether this is legal was raised. The matter would have to be investigated as it was felt that selling a vehicle privately was legal but selling several may not be.

FJ offered to set a date and advertise another village litter pick before the grass and hedges became too overgrown.

## **7. Date of the next meeting**

Next meeting will be the Annual Village Meeting on May 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, followed by the Parish Council AGM.

The Annual Village Meeting is not a Parish Council meeting. It is chaired by the Chair of the Parish Council who gives an annual report and then it is an opportunity for village residents to raise issues or make comments on any village matters.

The Parish Council AGM is a Parish Council meeting just like any other, except that it is the time when the Chair and Vice Chair are elected for the coming year and the Summary of Accounts are presented for internal audit.

Meeting closed at 8.25pm

*Tanya Grimes – Temporary Clerk to the PC*