

Carlton-on-Trent Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 17th November 2005 commencing at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Present: Mrs C Fitzpatrick (Vice- Chairman), Mrs A O'Brien, Mr J Fairhurst, Mr E Holland, Mr R Boothroyd, Mrs C Rose (District Councillor), Mrs S Beresford (Clerk)

- 1. Apologies for absence:** Lt Col G E Vere-Laurie. Mr B Laughton (County Councillor), Mr C Hemstock

Apologies to Mr Boothroyd for omission on the minutes on 25th August 2005

2. Declaration of interest on items on the agenda.

There was no declared interest in items on the agenda.

3. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 25th August 2005.

The minutes, having been circulated and read were agreed to contain a true record of items discussed. Proposed by Mrs C Fitzpatrick and seconded by Mrs A O'Brien.

4. Matters arising from the minutes.

a) Highways Issues

The Drainage issue has at last been resolved. The trees have also been cut from the A1 Bridge towards the Great Northern Inn. There are no other Highways issues to be addressed at the present.

b) Severn Trent Sewage Flooding Issues

This ongoing issue appears to be no closer to being resolved despite several letters, telephone calls and emails. The Clerk was informed by email that repair work would be carried out by 21st October and an update would be provided. However, no further correspondence has been received, therefore the Clerk to write once again. Mrs O'Brien informed those present that the pump is being blocked by inappropriate waste products however there have been no further problems since 21st October. The Clerk to see if a meeting can be arranged between the residents and Severn Trent Water.

c) Trent Fluvial strategy

Mr J Fairhurst represented the Parish Council at a recent meeting in Gainsborough, which did not provide much information. A letter from Bruce Laughton was read out to the Environment Agency expressing

residents concerns about the accuracy and validity of the maps provided. It is of the view that householders should be contacted by post if there is a possibility of their property being included in the flood plains. Some residents felt that local knowledge has been ignored. All present at the meeting agreed with this and felt that most of the threat of flooding in Carlton-on-Trent is due to the Beck and not the Trent. This item to remain on the agenda and further discussions to take place regarding the role of Flood Warden.

d) Greenwood Tree Planting scheme

The Clerk informed the Parish Council that this scheme has been extended to all areas. Mrs Fitzpatrick to speak to Kathy Wimble to ask about tree planting in the village.

5. Correspondence

a) Rights of Way Conference

This conference is to be held next Friday at Boughton Pumping station. No member of the Parish Council is able to attend.

6 Financial Issues

a) Payment of the Village Hall Fees

A cheque made payable to the village Hall Committee for the sum of £10.00 Proposed by Mrs Fitzpatrick and seconded by Mr Holland.

b) Hacker Young

A cheque for £58.75 was made payable to Hacker Young for services in relation to the Annual Audit 2005. Proposed by Mr Boothroyd and seconded by Mrs Fitzpatrick

c) Budgetary Estimate and Proposed Precept 2005/2006

The Clerk confirmed that expenditure for 2006 was expected to remain in line with the year 2005. It was therefore agreed to maintain the annual precept at £1300. This was proposed by Mrs A O'Brien and seconded by Mrs Fitzpatrick.

d) Clerks Wages and Salary

The Clerk informed the Parish Council that her salary amounted to £232.06. Proposed by Mrs O'Brien and seconded by Mr Fairhurst.

7. Health and Safety

There were no Health and Safety issues to discuss. Those present discussed the hump back bridge at the A1 end of the village- some subsidence has caused a deep bump,

which causes vehicles to slow down considerably. The Parish Councillors to monitor the situation.

8. Planning Issues

There were no planning issues to discuss.

The Planning application centred on land adjacent and to the Rear of the Old Forge has again been withdrawn.

The Planning application to extend factory units at Caledonian Building Systems Ltd has gone to Planning Committee, which made a decision on 8th November- unknown as yet.

9. Items for Inclusion of the next agenda

- a) Highways Matters
- b) Flood Warden
- c) Tree planting

10. Any other Business

There was no further business

11 Date of the Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held February 2006, date to be confirmed
There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20.30pm.