

CARLTON-ON-TRENT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Village Meeting of Carlton-on Trent Residents held on Tuesday 7th May 2013 at 7pm in the Village Hall.

Present: R Whate (Chair), T Cooper, K Smith, N Fletcher, F Jerome, M Eley, C Rose, B Laughton, T Grimes (Clerk) and 3 member of the public

1. Apologies for absence
J Clark arrived at 7.15pm.

2. Declaration of interest in items on the agenda
None.

3. To approve the minutes of the Annual Village Meeting held on Tuesday 1st May 2012
The minutes were accepted as a true record of the last annual meeting.

4. Chairman's Report
R Whate gave a summary of the work of the Parish Council over the past year. (See attached)

5. Open Forum for members of the public
A member of the public thanked the PC for their hard work often in difficult circumstances throughout the year.
B Laughton reported that consultation for extending the weight limit to cover Caunton, Bathley and Norwell is due to take place on May 14th. This would stop traffic diverting through the area when the A1 becomes blocked. He was asked whether the signs would remain in their current position or be moved and he offered to chivvy the powers that be as it was time it was done.
A member of the public asked whether the lay-bye would be improved. B Laughton reported that the long term plans were for a lorry park with a card scheme so there was no cash incentive to go elsewhere. Drivers are given a card which entitles them to use the lorry park facilities. As there is no cash given to the driver to pay for lorry park facilities, there is no incentive for the driver to find an alternative parking area like Carlton lay-bye or Cromwell Holt which is free allowing them to keep the cash. So far there has been about a 25% take up on the card scheme. B Laughton offered organise a meeting at Cromwell Holt with the Highways representative and to invite Cromwell PC to send a representative.
At this point J Clark arrived and said that Mike Kealing would be visiting at 10am on Weds 15th May so B Laughton agreed to attend.

It was noted that the lay-bye seemed tidier and Doris was thanked for reporting the repeated problems of rubbish left there.

A member of the public asked if a bigger dead end sign for Carlton Lane could be provided as large vehicles were still attempting to access SoT this way. B Laughton explained that it takes 3 years for reports of road changes to filter through to map companies and then to Sav Nav users.

A member of the public expressed concern about the state of the verges near the church caused by parking on them over Winter. It was suggested that the church be asked to ask anyone attending events there to avoid parking on the verges and that something be put in the newsletter and Unity to that effect.

6. AOB

None

Meeting closed at 7.25pm