

CARLTON-ON-TRENT PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 7th September AT 7.30PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

Present: Lt Col G. E Vere-Laurie (Chair) Mrs C. Fitzpatrick (Vice-Chair), Mr E. Holland, Mr C.N. Hemstock, Mrs A. O'Brien, Mr J Fairhurst, Mr R Boothroyd, Mrs C Rose (District Councillor), Mrs S. Beresford (Clerk) and 3 members of the public.

Apologies for Absence: None

Declaration of interest in Items on the Agenda

The Chairman pointed out that in a small village such as Carlton-on-Trent is invariable that many of the Parish Councillors would know and possibly be friends with planning applicants. However, if a prejudicial interest was known or a personal interest in the application, this is a ground to refrain from discussions.

Planning

i) 2 Park Farm, Main Street, Carlton-on-Trent- Single storey rear porch and bathroom. Internal alterations to form 2 bedrooms.

All Parish Councillors present perused the plans made available. Following an in-depth discussion and taking into account the views expressed by the applicants neighbour the Parish Council agreed unanimously to support the plans providing the following was included in the text of the applicant submission.

The Impact on neighbouring properties- the applicant has made it clear that he will be undertaking the work himself and therefore the construction of the extension and internal alterations would likely take in excess of two years to complete. Therefore those present agreed that building hours should be restricted to 8.00am- 19.00hours pm during the week and 8.00am- 16.00hours at weekends. This will limit the impact on the adjoining neighbour who has very young children. The applicant was fully prepared to carry out this work with full consideration for the neighbours and working with the neighbours to limit the impact on the damage caused so far which is in the hands of the insurance companies. Mrs Fitzpatrick suggested that a condition be made that the first stage of the internal re-construction should involve the double internal wall, which would assist in sound proofing the building.

The Parish Councillors present also had concern about the front door elevation to the proposed changes and felt this out of keeping with the original look to the property. The applicant asked those present if any one had any old photographs of the property he was more than willing to restore the door to the original look.

ii)_Application Approved- Thompson, the White Cottage, Main Street.

Any Other Business

a) Payment of the Village Hall Fees

The payment of £10.00 for tonight's meeting was approved. Proposed by Mrs A O'Brien and BY Mr J Fairhurst.

a) Village Notice Board

All agreed unanimously to support the Village Hall Committee financially with the purchase of a new Notice Board providing it is in keeping with the Village Hall at a cost to the Parish Council of £150.00

b) Uneven Pavement

The Clerk read out a letter from Mrs C Rose (District Councillor) addressed to the Highways department concerned over the uneven pavement just North of the Crossroads at Carlton-on-Trent where a resident had a nasty fall. The letter asked the Highways department to inspect the pavement and make assurances that the work would be carried out to make the pavement safe. The Clerk then read out a letter of response stating that the worst areas of the pavement would be addressed to prevent the site becoming a safety hazard, however, due to the extensive resurfacing required, an exact date could not be given as all funding has been allocated this year. The Chairman thanked Mrs Rose for writing to the County Council and requesting this action.

c) Newark and Sherwood Homes

It was brought to the Parish Councils attention once more that the Council House No4 continued to be in a dilapidated state and an old caravan in the garden created an eye sore. Mrs Rose to contact Newark and Sherwood Homes and request action for this to be addressed.

e) Litter Hit Squad

The Clerk read out a letter from the District Council advising that the Litter Hit Squad would be reducing their visits to the area to once every 4 months. However, in the meantime, any Parish Councillor can report areas of fly tipping, which will be cleared straightaway. The Clerk provided the contact name and telephone number to all present.

d) Concern about HGV Vehicle parked in the Village

It was brought to the meetings attention that a large HGV Vehicle was being parked in the village overnight. It was clear from the signs at the edge of the village that this was not suitable to HGV's and therefore inappropriate that the vehicle be parked on the Highway. The Chairman to find out who the vehicle belongs to and have a discreet word to ask if the Cromwell Halt could be used instead to park the vehicle.

In the event of no further business, the meeting closed at 8.35pm. Next meeting 12th October 2006.

