

## **Adopted Minutes CARLTON-ON-TRENT PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2012 commencing at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Present: Mrs R Whate (Chairman), Mrs J Clark, Mr N Fletcher , Mr K Smith , Mrs F Jerome, Mrs M Eley, Mrs S Beresford (Clerk). Mr B Laughton and Mrs C Rose (arrived late) and 4 members of the public

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Mr T Cooper, Mrs C Rose (District Councillor)- first part of the meeting
2. **Declaration of interest on items on the agenda.- None**
3. **To approve the minutes of the meetings held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2012**

All present agreed these were a true record of the meeting Proposed by Mrs Clark, seconded by Mrs Eley.

4. **Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman including declaration of acceptance of offer.**

Mrs R Whate proposed as Chairman by Mrs M Eley and seconded by Mr K Smith. All present in agreement and no further proposals submitted. Mrs Whate declared that she accepted the offer.

In the absence of the present Vice-Chairman, Mrs Jerome proposed Terry Cooper (absent) for Vice-Chair, seconded by Mrs Clark. Mr Terry Cooper accepted the offer outside of the meeting. All in agreement and no further proposals submitted.

5. **10 minute open forum for member of the public**

The PC meeting temporarily closed to allow the open forum.

Slip road diversions- during temporary slip road diversions tarmac has been badly lifted in places creating additional road surface noise. The additional traffic has also caused serious vibration to properties backing onto the slip road. The dyke/culvert along this stretch needs dredging and clearing of rubbish- the clerk will contact Ron Dawes at Newark and Sherwood.

6. **Seating arrangements for Parish Council**

Those present proposed two tables back to back and seats down either side.

7. **Summer Newsletter**

The Parish Council discussed if we need an addition newsletter or whether the information could be amalgamated into the monthly newsletter that Fiona produces. The website will now need advertising as it is live but some people in the village do not have web access. We do need to find out somehow how would like a paper cope of the newsletter. The newsletter was well received

and seen as a good line of communication with the whole of the village. In the summer edition a section will be devoted to the website launch and the Environmental weight limit and how to report the Lorries breaching the maximum weight limit.

## **8. Matters arising from previous minutes**

### **a) Highways issues**

There are some potholes on Church Lane which have been painted around but not yet filled in. There is some standing water on the corner of Ferry Lane which has been reported and a? Blocked drain outside April Cottage, Ferry Lane which needs reporting.

### **b) PEARS application update**

Mrs Whate stated that she had been contacted regarding the smell from lorries as they go down the slip road. The PEARS Action group are writing to the planning committee who will hear the case with two main issues. One is the current smell from the plant which depends on the direction of the wind. At times it can be smelt from Carlton-on-Trent. They are also undertaking a full traffic assessment and writing top the Council and Chief Executive. They are also thinking about employing a consultant to get expert advice and authoritative information. Bruce Laughton stated that he too was involved and cited the issues involved in burning animal waste and spreading chicken manure onto the land. These particular type of lorries do not have to be sealed and serious concern was expressed about the risks of lorries (a possible triple increase) in numbers travelling along Grassthorne Road, through Sutton on Trent and across the crossroads at Carlton-on-Trent. Bassetlaw District Council is handling the planning application but Notts County Council is receiving the complaints- there appears to be a lack of joined up thinking.

### **c) Crime Figures March and April**

There were few incidents 1<sup>st</sup> March-31<sup>st</sup> April- Theft of Garden ornaments and door-to-door callers visiting the elderly. The alarms went off at Caledonian but this was a false alarm.

The text alerts from the Police have proved extremely useful. If anyone wishes to receive these or email alerts, they are to provide Kevin Smith with their name and email address.

### **d) Flooding and Resilience matters**

The Blue bins are apparently the responsibility of the Parish Council to re-fill- at Parish Council expense. The Clerk will clarify this with Highways as we were not provided with a choice when replacement bins were ordered. Nigel provided the Parish Council with some quotes for refilling the bins- £125 for 40 bags of Brown grit inclusive of VAT, with free delivery. Mrs Clark asked again for a

Grit Bin at the other end of the village near the Council houses, there are insufficient funds in the account at the moment to purchase one unless we can ask for a further donation.

e) PC website

We are awaiting biographies from Robbie and Kevin and a few teething problems to iron out before the website goes live.

f) Village Clean up Day

There have been a few volunteers from the village. The worst aspect is from the crossroads down towards Sutton-on-Trent on the right hand side where the hedges are badly overgrown. Mrs Clark agreed to find out the owner of the fields to ask if the hedges can be cut back to allow access to the rubbish on the hedge bottom. The Cleanup day will take place late summer/early autumn.

g) Feedback from Mrs Whate regarding NCC Local Improvement scheme

Mrs Whate has not yet attended this meeting- it is due to be held on 15<sup>th</sup> May.

h) Feedback from Mrs Whate regarding Notts Mineral Plan meeting at North Muskham

Mr Fletcher attended the meeting and stated that the plans are not submitted as yet in respect of whether gravel will be extracted from the local site. Mrs Whate spoke to the Chairman of North Muskham Parish Council who felt that the issues would affect Cromwell much more than Carlton-on-Trent. Therefore Carlton-on-Trent not to be included in future correspondence from P.A.G.E and the consultants.

i) Supporting Communities and Neighbourhood Planning show

Mrs Whate, Mrs Jerome and Mr Fletcher attended the show and said the most useful section was what the Parish Council can and cannot object to in respect of planning applications. The Neighbourhood plan section was probably not applicable to Carlton-on-Trent do to the sheer size of the project. It would allow the PC to specify the future shape of the village but at present not something we would consider.

j) Feedback on revised Ethical Framework meeting- Mrs Clark

The meeting was attended by Mrs Clark who reported that the Standards have been abolished from 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012 and a new framework will be adopted by 1<sup>st</sup> July. There are now 7 principles rather than 10 and an emphasis on declaration of personal and prejudicial interest heightened.

**9. General Correspondence**

- a) National Citizen Service Opportunity – details placed in the correspondence pack and information to be disseminated to young adults who meet the criteria of selection.
- b) Allocations and Development Management Plan Consultation – Information placed in the communication pack.
- c) County Council Civic Service- Southwell Minster- June 24<sup>th</sup> – Mrs Whate and Mrs Ely expressed an interest.
- d) Ping Table Tennis Project- Information placed in the pack
- e) TITAN Transport project consultation- Information placed in the pack
- f) NALC Membership log in data- all Parish Councillors present given the log in details User name Carlton-on-Trent Password mn127

## **10. Financial Matters**

- a) Payment of Village Hall fees

The sum of £9.00 proposed by Mrs J Clark and seconded by Mrs R Whate.

- b) Newark and Sherwood Invoice for emptying dog bin

£99.84 proposed by Mrs Clark and seconded by Mr N Fletcher. All present agreed to continue with weekly collections.

- c) Payment of Invoice for Grit Box to NCC

£180.00 proposed by Mrs Eley and seconded by Mr N Fletcher.

- d) Summary of accounts held by Carlton-on-Trent Parish Council in preparation for the audit

The Clerk presented the accounts to those present and explained the current financial position of the Council. These agreed to contain a true representation. Proposed by Mrs Clark and seconded by Mrs Whate- all agreed.

- e) Internal Audit

The Clerk arranged with Zoe Beach that she would agree to carry out the audit after her forthcoming wedding celebrations.

- f) No further financial business

## **11. Planning Issues .**

- a) Decisions Made

Householder application for the increase height of western boundary brick wall- The Spinney, Old Bell Lane- APPROVED

- b) Applications to discuss

None

- c) Other planning business

Response from Clare Walker at Newark and Sherwood District Council regarding grid connection- The planning department believe that works at the turbine site are in keeping with planning consent. The PC request for a screening opinion for the new turbine application was refused by Newark and Sherwood planning department.

**12. Health and Safety Inspections**

No inspection required. .

**13. Items to include on the next agenda.**

Matters arising  
Crime figures

**14. Any other business**

a) **Bunting and Flag supplies**

There will be no bunting or flags required for the Diamond Jubilee as the hall is not being dressed. Mrs Whate suggested that we consider as a Parish Council planting a tree to commemorate the Jubilee or planting a rose arbour around the Church Gate. This item will be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting.

b) **23<sup>rd</sup> May 2012 Community Safety Liaison group meeting**

Kevin Smith unable to attend- Mrs Clark offered to go in his place.

**11. Date of Next Meeting-Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2012**

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 21.25pm.