

CARLTON-ON-TRENT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 2nd March 2006 commencing at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Present: Lt Col G E Vere-Laurie (Chairman) Mr R Boothroyd, Mrs A O'Brien, Mr J Fairhurst, Mrs C Rose (District Councillor), Mr B Laughton (County Councillor), Mrs S Beresford (Clerk). Four members of the public

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Mr C. Hemstock, Mr E. Holland, Mrs C Fitzpatrick (Vice-Chairman)

2. **Declaration of interest on items on the agenda.**

Item 8a- Mr J Fairhurst

Item- Planning- details not included in the agenda- Caledonian Building Systems- Planning application- Lt Col G.E. Vere-Laurie.

3. **To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 17th November 2006.**

The minutes, having been circulated and read were declared to be a true record.

Approved by Mrs A. O'Brien and seconded by Mr J Fairhurst.

4. **Matters arising from the Minutes.**

a) **Severn Trent Sewage Water Flooding.**

Mr Bruce Laughton informed those present that he meets with Mr Patrick Mercer MP tomorrow and would bring up the sewage issues. He defined that Severn Trent appeared to be putting their heads in the sand over this serious issue. Lt Col Vere-Laurie declared that there have been 100% more houses built in the vicinity since the system was installed and therefore the pump required a total upgrade. Mr Laughton informed the Parish Council that there are 5 villages with issues of a similar nature in the area and so far only one village has had the problems resolved satisfactorily.

Those present to contact the Environmental Health department immediately that the problem occurs again- contacts are Gary Burden and Jeremy Hutchinson, based at Kelham Hall who are both aware of the issues.

It transpires that the last flooding occurred on 3rd February. It was discussed that in future it is imperative that all residents report the issue to Severn Trent using the same terminology. Some reports to the authorities have given the false impression that the drainage system is at fault which is why the water board has been out so many times to inspect the same manholes. It is vital the use of the word "pump failure" is employed.

b) **Highways Issues**

The pavement outside Park Farm Cottages is yet to be repaired despite the problem reported. The Clerk to write again to the Highways Department asking this to be made safe.

c) **Trent Fluvial Strategy**

Mr Fairhurst will be attending a meeting next week at Kelham Hall and will report back to the Parish Council at the next meeting. The Clerk read

out a letter from Newark and Sherwood District Council asking for permission to store sand bags at the village Hall in the event of expected flooding, following warning from the Environment Agency. The Clerk to write to Newark and Sherwood advising them to contact the Chairman of the Village Hall Committee- Judge Richard Inglis.

d) Greenwood Planting Scheme

To discuss at the next meeting due to Mrs Fitzpatrick's absence.

5. Financial Matters

a) Payment of Village Hall Fees-

Proposed by Mr R Boothroyd and second by Mr J Fairhurst to sign a cheque for £10.00.

b) Financial position

The Clerk informed those present regarding the current healthy financial position. All those in agreement and keen to look for financial spending to improve facilities within the village. Those present discussed the repair of the waste bin at the crossroads and agreed for the Clerk to contact a local builder Mr Jordan and ask him to re-concrete the bin. Authorisation to request action agreed by all present.

6. Health and Safety Inspections

Nothing to report.

7. Planning Matters (These were dealt with at the beginning of the meeting to allow planning representatives to leave the meeting following their business).

i) *Erection of 2 Ancillary Factory Units (Resubmission) Land Adjacent to Caledonian Building Systems Ltd.*

All those present perused the plans and information on the plans provided by Mr D Turnbull (Caledonian Building Systems Managing Director) and Mr C Rae-Associate Town Planner. The application is a re-submission following successful approval of the previous plans. Basically the premises are extending due to a growing market and a takeover of a nearby factory and the company are looking to employ 100 direct employees and a further 100 subcontractors. In terms of the original approval a further 50 cars and vans will pass through the area and 7 trucks up to 7 tonnes and 5 articulated lorries per day which take away the finished products.

The Associates gave the Parish Council a detailed explanation of the proposals. Mr Boothroyd indicated that local residents have concerns about the light pollution coming from the site at the moment without further development. The Parish Council was assured that there is a clause in the plans considering light pollution. Those present discussed the erosion of the Greenfield site and creeping

development and asked for details regarding the landscaping plan to protect the area from eroding development. The company assured that they were looking to minimise impact to the village and to residents and invited anyone to meet with them directly on the premises to look around and to investigate ways to minimise impact on the environment. A proposal was put forward by the Parish Council to accept the proposal- 1 abstainer and the remainder of those present agreed to support.

ii) Loft Conversion with Pitched dormer windows to the West and I flat roof to the East- The Bungalow, Main Street, Carlton-on-Trent.

All those present perused the plans and after a lengthy discussion all agreed that they were unhappy with the design of the proposed development especially to the rear and side elevation of the plans. It was felt that neighbouring properties would suffer significant impact and the proposal was out of keeping with the village. Unanimous vote to oppose the development plans.

8. Correspondence.

a) Tree works- Beck Cottage, Church Lane

The Clerk informed those present regarding remedial pruning of trees at this address and the felling of trees detailed in the notification letter.

b) Planning Seminar –

The Clerk informed the Parish Council about two Planning seminars scheduled to be held on 16th March and 23rd March. Mr J Fairhurst agreed to attend on 23rd March at Retford- a cheque approved by Mrs O'Brien and seconded by Lt Col G E Vere-Laurie was agreed by all and will be submitted with the application.

c) Litter Hit Squad

This new initiative from Newark and Sherwood District Council to be informed of fly tipping issues at the North road Crossroads, over the A1 bridge, past the Great Northern Inn and onto Norwell Lane and Ossington Road. Also in the vicinity of the transport café and the lay by, particularly in the hedgerow. The Clerk to correspond this information to Newark and Sherwood District Council.

d) Parish Paths Partnership

The Clerk informed the Parish Council that the P3 scheme has run out of money to take on new villages at present and Carlton-on-Trent remains on the waiting list.

9. Items to include on the next agenda.

- a) Highways Issues
- b) Greenwood planting scheme
- c) Severn Trent Flooding issues

10. Any other business

None to discuss

11. Date of Next Meeting and Annual Village Meeting-

The date of the next meeting which will include the Annual Village Meeting to be held on May 4th 2006 commencing at 7.30pm

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 20.30pm.