

CARLTON-ON-TRENT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 12th October 2006 commencing at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

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

1. Apologies for Absence: Mr B Laughton (County Councillor) Mr C Hemstock.

2. Declaration of interest on items on the agenda.

There were no items on the agenda that required a declaration an interest.

3. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 27th July and the extraordinary meeting held on Thursday 7th September 2006

The minutes having been circulated and read were declared a true record.
Proposed by Mrs O'Brien and Mrs Fitzpatrick and Mr Holland and Mrs O' Brien respectively.

4. Matters arising from the minutes.

a) **Severn Trent Sewage Issues**

Mrs Rose has written a letter to the Head of Customer Complaints with copies to the MP and County Councillor asking for major work to be carried out and has also forwarded a formal complaint to OFWAT. This has attracted some publicity and the Newark Advertiser has covered the story over the last two weeks. Mrs Rose has collated all the letters, emails etc from both herself, the Clerk, The Chairman and local residents and sent these as part of the complaint. Mrs Rose reported that she has systematically chased up the Complaints Review team every Monday morning and will continue to do so until a satisfactory solution is reached. As yet there have been no replies to her letters and telephone calls and those of the Environmental Department at the District Council. The Chairman thanked Mrs Rose for all her work especially in light of the fact that there have been two major sewage overflow incidents this last week.

b) **Trent Vale Landscape Partnership**

Mr J Fairhurst will invite the organisation to come to talk to the Parish Council at the next meeting in January 2007.

c) **Highways Issues- Potholes and Flooding.**

Again, the Council thanked Mrs Rose for her correspondence with the County Council to ensure that work was carried out on the pavement

between Carlton-on-Trent and Sutton-on-Trent. This work has now been completed. There are no other Highways issues to discuss.

d) **HGV Parked in the village**

Lt Col Vere-Laurie has yet to speak to the driver of the vehicle but all agreed that the lorry has not been parked in the village as much.

e) **Trent Fluvial Strategy**

Mr Fairhurst reported that there has not yet been another meeting however, he does expect that this will be soon. The item to remain on the agenda.

5. Financial Matters

a) **Payment of Village Hall Fees**

The Village Hall fees of £10 proposed by Mr Fairhurst and seconded by Mr Boothroyd.

b) **Precept 2007/2008**

The clerk informed the Parish Council that spending was in line with budgetary allowances. Agreed to keep the Precept at the same level as last year. Proposed by Mrs C Fitzpatrick and seconded by Mr J Fairhurst.

c) **Clerks Wages and Salary**

The Clerks wages and salary agreed at £305.77. Proposed by Mrs O'Brien and seconded by Lt G E Vere-Laurie.

6. Health and Safety Inspections.

There have been no reports of any Health and Safety Issues. Mr Boothroyd reported that the waste bin has been cemented into place. Thanks to Mr Hemstock for carrying out this work.

7. Planning Issues

a) **Decisions Made**

None to report.

b) **Applications**

None to discuss.

a) **Outcome of Planning Appeal**

The application relating to Land Adjacent to the Old Forge has gone to the Secretary of State planning appeal. The Clerk has written x 3 letters outlining the Parish Council opposition to the plans. There is unlikely to be a decision on this until 25th October at the earliest.

9) Correspondence;

- a) Parish Paths Partnership– The Parish Council agreed to sign up for this initiative. Lt Col GE Vere-Laurie to takeaway the legal agreement document and have a read prior to signing and returning Lt Col Vere-Laurie demonstrated to those present the footpaths that would require maintenance and also agreed to act as Warden with assistance from Mrs Fitzpatrick. The Clerk to return the correspondence to the County Council when signed and complete.
- b) Ordnance Survey Mapping Agreement- The Clerk to sign this document to allow the County Council access to Ordnance Survey data in order to send the Parish Council maps relating to P3.
- c) Training in the Code of Conduct- No interest show in attending.
- d) Parish Council Conference- November – .No one available to attend.
- e) The remaining correspondence was displayed for all Parish Councillors to peruse.

10) Items for inclusion in the next agenda.

Sewage Issues
Trent Fluvial Strategy.

11. Any other business

a) District Councillors Community Grant

Mrs C Rose reported that she had a small grant of approximately £100 if there is any concrete community needs to spend the money on. Mr Fairhurst to speak to the Youth Club committee and the Village Hall Committee to ask if they have anything that would benefit the community. Those present discussed a gate enclosing the village Hall car park and the lack of Fire Extinguishers within the building and signs indicating the Fire Doors.

b) HGV Parking at the A1 Truck stop

Mr Holland brought to the attention of the meeting some dangerous parking practices by the HGV drivers at the Truck stop. Some of the lorries were being parked doubled up with their back ends into the road, especially at peak periods and at night. This created a danger to traffic trying to access the A1. The Clerk to speak to PC Andy Jackson to ask if a patrol can regularly inspect the area and also to invite him to the next meeting, as Police presence in the village was minimal

Newark Torque

Mrs Rose explained to those present that she had just returned from a meeting to discuss the future of the Newark Torque, which has been valued at 350,000 pounds. It is over 2100 years old (pre Roman) and was found in a field near Newark. It is currently in the British Museum but if funding can be raised it could return to dwell in Newark.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.45

Date of Next Meeting **Thursday 11th January 2007 at 7.30pm**