

## CARLTON-ON-TRENT PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 6<sup>th</sup> July AT 7.30PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

Present: Lt Col G E Vere-Laurie (Chairman) Mrs C. Fitzpatrick (Vice-Chair), Mr E. Holland, Mr C.N. Hemstock, Mrs A. O'Brien, Mr J Fairhurst, Mrs S. Beresford (Clerk).

Apologies for Absence: Mr R Boothroyd and Mrs C Rose (District Councillor)

#### External Audit- Hacker Young

The Chairman explained that the purpose of this meeting is to discuss and proposed changes to the Annual audit document following a letter received by the Clerk. A minor arithmetic error required amendment. All present agreed the changes made. Proposed by Mrs C Fitzpatrick and seconded by Mr J Fairhurst.

The second point raised referred to the decrease in Precept 2005/2006. Lt Col Vere-Laurie confirmed that this was due to monies remaining in the account from the previous year and as Parish Council it was felt to be our responsibility to act as an advocate for the Community Tax payers and keep the precept as low as formally possible.

The third adjustment required another signature by the Chairman. This was completed without ado.

The Chairman informed the Parish Council that an additional charge has occurred of £29.38 to be made payable to Hacker Young. This was proposed by Mrs Fitzpatrick and seconded by Mrs A O'Brien.

#### Finance

The invoice for hire of the Village Hall for tonight's meeting was presented. The sum of £10.00 was proposed by Mrs C Fitzpatrick and seconded by Mr C Hemstock.

#### Any Other Business

##### a) Sandbags in the event of Flooding

The Clerk reported a telephone conversation with Newark and Sherwood asking about storage of Sandbags. Lt Col G E Vere-Laurie offered to store empty bags but if these were to be provided ready filled the most obvious location would be the Village Hall. The Clerk to make enquires about whether these are to be provided ready filled and discuss at the next meeting.

##### b) BT Consultation regarding Payphone in the Village.

Correspondence received from BT indicates that changes are proposed to the Village Payphone. This is to be downgraded to a Card-only telephone however Emergency calls and Operator enquiries can still be accessed free of charge. All

present agreed that in today's climate with the majority of residents having individual landlines or mobiles this was realistic.

c) Overgrown trees on footpath over A1/Highways Issues

The Clerk reported that this issue has been raised with Highways and correspondence received stating that this has been placed on the inventory of work schedule. A further issue was raised that the footpath from Carlton-on-Trent towards Sutton-on-Trent on the east side of the old A1 was also in a poor state. The Clerk to write to Highways regarding this.

Mr Fairhurst also provided reference to the resurfacing work at the Ossington/Norwell lane junction. Following the work the white lines have been incorrectly repositioned and have moved much further into the road. The Clerk to write to highways to inform them of this.

d) Trent Fluvial Strategy

Mr Fairhurst informed the meeting regarding the proposals in relation to flood defence. Further details will be available specifically for Carlton-on Trent later in the year. At present defence systems and initiatives predominantly include Gunthorpe and this region. There are various defence plans all, which will be replicated in this area, and Mr Fairhurst will keep the PC up-to-date regarding these developments as they unfold.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 19.55pm.