

**Informal Notes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 1st February 2011
At the Memorial Hall, Trimley St Martin at 7.30pm.**

Present: Chairman John Barker, Vice Chairman Berridge Eve, Councillors Heather Rodwell, John Sills, Frank Bell, Peter Waller, Keith Slaughter, Joe Smith, Dave Pither, Carol Garrett, Ian Cowan,

By Invitation: Suffolk County Councillor John Goodwin, Suffolk Coastal District Councillors Graham Harding, Sherrie Green, and PCSO Glynn Bown

Clerk: Mrs Tracey Hunter

Declarations of Interest:

Councillor Ian Cowan – Personal Interest – Local Development Framework
Councillor Frank Bell – Personal Interest – Local Development Framework

Community Police:

PCSO Glynn Bown read out the monthly crime report.

County & District Councillor Reports

- County Councillor John Goodwin gave a verbal report to councillors, which included information regarding the current situation regarding the Felixstowe Fire Station and the proposed public meeting on the 16th March.
- A verbal report was also provided by both DC Sherrie Green and DC Graham Harding, the latter who confirmed that he was looking into the removal of electricity cables from the remaining telegraph poles in Trimley St Mary/St Martin in the vicinity of Church Lane. The Clerk asked Councillor Harding to clarify that there would be no costs whatsoever to the parish council and he confirmed that this would be the case.

Matters arising from minutes of January 2011:

The Clerk confirmed that the response from the parish council to the latest LDF Core Strategy document had been duly submitted to SCDC. The Chairman thanked Councillors for their input into the response. (*Minutes of the F&G.P meeting 19/01/11 refers*)

Correspondence:

- a) **SCDC – Parish Elections Info.** - The Clerk advised that SCDC had requested that parish clerks be responsible for the collection and delivery of nomination forms for the upcoming elections in May.
- b) **Trimley Electrical – Memorial Hall** – The Clerk provided details to councillors of the quotation for the electricity checking at the Hall and councillors agreed to the price of £250 for the two fuse boards and £75.00 for the emergency lighting. These would then be valid for five and three years respectively.
- c) **SARS, Ipswich Headway, Felixstowe Travel Watch & D.A.S.** – Donation acknowledgements.
- d) **SCDC – Town/Parish Clerks meetings** – The Clerk confirmed she would be attending a meeting at SCDC offices on the 7th March.
- e) **SCDC – Recycling depots.** – The clerk gave details of the withdrawal of certain recycling depots that were being made by SCDC, since kerbside collections are now in force for all properties.

Planning Applications:

C11/0146 - 8 Ashground Close, Trimley St Martin

Erection of front porch and rear conservatory

Discussed by councillors – no objections made to the application.

Information Only – The Piggeries – Land rear of 75-77 Mill Lane.

The Clerk advised that a decision on this application was deferred by the South Development Sub Committee for further enquires as to the viability of the scheme. It will be looked at again at the next meeting to be held on the 3rd February. The Clerk has been instructed to write a further statement (see minutes 04/01/11, item 92) reiterating its earlier objections and also pointing out that the Committee had a duty to uphold the policies of SCDC in respect of the matter regarding affordable housing.

Street Lighting:

Reports made of lighting working intermittently on the A14 slip road at the Trimley roundabout.

Highways and Footpath:

- a) **Litter bins/Dog Bins** – The Clerk advised that she had met with a representative from Suffolk Coastal Services and the order for the litter bins to be placed near to the bench near the village green had been made. The Clerk gave details of the location of the proposed dog bin and it was agreed that this should be situated on the fence adjacent to the footpath leading to Ashground Close.
- b) **A number of reports** were made including those of bolts dangerously sticking out of the railway track crossing at Footpath 1, the fencing on the A14 bridge leaning over and overgrown hedges at a number of properties. The Clerk will inform the relevant authorities.

Any Other Business

- a) **Parish Pump** – It was agreed to put out a further edition in March.
- b) **Councillor Keith Slaughter** brought up a matter regarding an improved speaker system in the Hall. However, further information is required regarding type and costs and the matter is to be researched and brought to a future meeting of the parish council.
- c) **The next parish meeting** will be held on **Monday 7th March** at the **Trimley Methodist Church Hall**.
(Councillor Rodwell gave advance apologies for this meeting).