

Informal Notes of the Trimley St Martin Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 6th January 2006 in the Memorial Hall at 7.30pm.

Present: Chairman Nigel Smith, Vice-Chair John Barker, Heather Rodwell, Berridge Eve, Joe Smith, David Beale, Carol Garrett, Keith Slaughter.

Clerk: Mrs Tracey Hunter

By Invitation: SCDC Councillor Mary Dixon, Suffolk County Councillor John Goodwin, PC Jim Kerr, Community Police Officer

Apologies: SCDC Councillor Sherrie Green, Andy Church, Dave Pither, Julie Pither-Jones.

Matters arising from the December 2005 Meeting

1. **Acoustic Barriers:** The Clerk read to Councillors a copy of letter that had been sent to HPUK from the residents of 67,69 and 71 Kirton Road with regard to their request that the acoustic barriers be erected in front of their properties alongside the A14. A copy of the reply from HPUK was also read out and Councillors took issue with some of the points made in this correspondence. The main concern was that it stated that the Parish Council had not previously mentioned barriers for the northern side of the A14, when in fact this was bought up at the Port Liaison meeting in March 2005. The Clerk is to contact HPUK to point out their misinformation and that in fact, in April 05, they were given copies of the letters from the residents stating their request for barriers to be erected on this side of the A14.
2. **Oak Tree at Mill Lane/Cavendish Road.** John Barker raised the matter of the listed oak tree at 32 Mill Lane, the roots of which were causing damage to the drainage system. The Clerk advised she is waiting to hear from Ann Westover at SCDC to see how the problem can be resolved.
3. **Antisocial vehicles at Old Kirton Road.** The matter was raised of the untaxed vehicle, which had been parked outside 3 Old Kirton Road. PC Jim Kerr who had been in contact with the owner, assured Councillors that this should be removed by the end of the week.
4. **Burger Van mains electricity cable obstruction.** The Clerk advised Councillors that she had not received a reply from SCC following the letter written to them on the 7th December and she will chase this matter up with them as a matter of urgency.

Community Police Report

- PC Kerr reported on two incidences during the month of December.
- It was reported to PC Kerr that there was an HGV tractor unit parked in the local pub car park and PC Kerr would investigate this once he had left the meeting.

Public Question Time

Suffolk County Councillor's Report

- **John Goodwin** reported on the meetings that he had attended during the last month, which included an LEA meeting and the local library extension opening. He reported that his idea of the CCTV camera was not now looking to be a viable prospect and Councillors were keen to enquire as to whether locality funding would be available for the Memorial Hall project. The Clerk is to formally write to John Goodwin with a request in respect of this. John Goodwin advised that it may be possible for the vat element of the cost to be recovered via the County Council and the Clerk is to make further enquiries into this.

District Councillors Report

1. Mary Dixon reported that the South Sea development plans had been approved by SCDC but it would appear that DEFRA did not currently have the funding to put up the sea defences that would be required prior to any building work commencing so it could be sometime before any development took place. With regard to a query at last months meeting regarding the current flood gates along the front, Mary reported that currently just nine gates can be opened during the winter months and it was suggested that a ramp could be installed at the far south end of the prom to enable wheelchair users to access the seafront.
2. Mary also reported that the Noise Abatement Society had been approached with regard to the increase in 'hooting' trains through the village. These had increased considerably of late and were causing a nuisance to local residents.

Public Questions

Members of the public, present, stated their support for local footpaths to be kept open in light of the comments made within the recent Transport and Works Order for the railway dualling.

Correspondence

1. **SCDC letter re: Felixstowe Branch Line Transport and Works Order.** SCDC have requested an extension to the date of the 3rd February in order that they may discuss the Order and also to consider the responses by the parishes affected.
2. **SCC - Height barrier to be raised at Recycling Centre.** This would now allow for vehicles such as people carriers and 4x4 vehicles to access the recycling sites in the area.
3. **HPUK - Invite to New Year Reception.** The Council decided, regrettably, that in view of the current difficulties that the Parish Council were experiencing with the Port representatives, it would not be prudent to attend this year

Planning Applications

Application CO5/2276/FUL147

Proposal: Erection of building to provide replacement farm shop (existing to be removed)

Location: Roselea Nursery, Kirton Road, Trimley St Martin.

Circulated to Councillors prior to this meeting, no objections to replacing shop but Councillors not happy with the proposed structure materials used. Feel it should be more in keeping with the rural area.

Planning Decisions

CO5/1985 Proposal: Erection of a single storey rear extension.

Location: 65 Grimston Lane, Trimley St Martin. **Refused** - contrary to AP30 & AP34

CO5/2026/FUL Proposal: Erection of part single storey and part two storey rear extension.

Location: 5 St Martins Green, Trimley St Martin. **Granted**

CO5/1597/ful Proposal: Erection of a single-storey rear extension.

Location: 33 Cavendish Road, Trimley St Martin - **Granted**

Street Lighting

The Clerk is to remind SCC about the broken glass lantern on the street light in Thorpe Lane.

Highways and Footpaths

The Clerk has been asked to write to the Landlord of the Hand in Hand to ask for his assistance to encourage patrons to use the pub car park rather than parking on the verges opposite.

Any other Business

- The Clerk reminded councillors of the GP & Fin meeting on 10th January at the Methodist Church.
- The next Parish Council meeting was confirmed to be on the 7th February at the Memorial Hall.