

Informal Notes of the Trimley St Martin Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 1st July 2008 at the Memorial Hall, Trimley St Martin at 7.30pm

Present: Chairman - John Barker, Councillors Keith Slaughter, John Sills, Joe Smith, Heather Rodwell, Ian Cowan, Dave Pither, Carol Garret, Frank Bell., Peter Waller.

Clerk: Mrs Tracey Hunter

By Invitation: Suffolk County Councillor John Goodwin

Apologies: Vice Chairman Berridge Eve, Suffolk District Councillors Richard Kerry, Graham Harding and Police Sgt Neil Mckay

Declarations of Interest

- Councillor Ian Cowan - Local Development Framework - Personal Interest
- Councillor Frank Bell - Local Development Framework - Personal Interest
- Councillor Carol Garrett - Planning CO8/0435 - Prejudicial Interest (Acquaintance of applicant)

Community Police Report

The Clerk read out the monthly crime report for the month of July.

County and District Councillor Reports

- a) The County Councillor gave a verbal report to councillors.
- b) There was no District Councillors report.

Public Questions

A reminder from a member of the public was given regarding the blocked drain outside 217 High Road and the Clerk will chase this matter up with the authorities

Matters Arising from June Minutes

There were no matters arising.

Planning Applications

CO8/1030 Location: 412 High Road, Trimley St Martin - Proposal: Conversion of garage to annexe. This application had been looked at by the planning committee and a site visit carried out. Councilors deemed the proposal to be wholly unsuitable for planning due to the vicinity of the property in that it had no parking or vehicle access facilities and the proposed windows were immediately alongside the neighbouring property.

CO8/0435 Location: 1 Redhouse Close, Trimley St Martin. - Proposal: Erection of first floor extension, conservatory and provide lean-to roof over garage. The planning committee are to make a site visit and report their decision to the Clerk who will forward this to SCDC.

Planning Decisions

CO8/0435 Location: 408 High Road, Trimley St Martin - Proposal: Erection of two-storey rear extension and erection of cart lodge for three vehicles.(Revised plans) - **Granted** (subject to conditions)

CO8/0884 Location: Land adjacent Shetland Cottage, Thorpe Lane, Trimley St Martin.

Proposal: Erection of dwelling and detached garage. - **Granted** (subject to conditions - circulated to councillors)

Street Lighting

The Clerk advised she had not as yet heard back from East Area Highways regarding the street lighting in Mill Lane but was asked to contact them again on a separate matter with regard to the two street lights which had been repeatedly reported as being out but having not been fixed. A copy of the correspondence will also be sent to John Goodwin.

Highways and Footpaths

- The Clerk advised that the twice yearly gutter weedkilling would commence on the 7th July.
- The overgrown Footpath Number 1 from the railway line to the loompit lake (the clerk had in fact already reported this a few days earlier to Rights of Way.
- Damage to the green box in Old Kirton Road, damage to a concrete hydrant outside 72 St Martins Green
- flytipping behind 15 Jubilee Close, overgrown footpath from St Martins Green to Howlett Way (via the steps), rubbish in the footpath leading from Old Kirton Road to Cavendish Road
- an overgrown hedge outside Owl Cottage in Grimston Lane, footpath 39 being overgrown and a gate stuck shut at the Thorpe Lane end.
- Overgrown vegetation around the George Harlow bench. (Clerk advised she would clear this).
- The grassed area between the High Road and Cavendish Park where the Ray Howlet bench is situated is heavily overgrown due to it not being cut this year.

Any other business

- a) The Clerk advised that she had received information regarding a meeting being held to discuss Community Emergency Planning, on the 2nd July, and Councillor Peter Waller had agreed to attend on behalf of the parish council. The Chairman proposed that Councillor Waller be the Community Planning Representative for this parish council and this was agreed by all councillors. Councillor Peter Waller will report back from the meeting.
- b) Councillor Ian Cowan advised that he had noted from the SCDC website that a meeting was to be held on the 27th July of the Local Development Framework Task Group at the Woodbridge Community Centre. The Clerk informed members that she had been advised by Steven Brown, Head of SCDC Planning, that this was a meeting to be held in public but was not a public meeting. He had also advised that there would be further public consultation this year and that further meetings were in the process of being arranged. The Clerk advised councillors that she would keep them informed of any further correspondence that she may receive in respect of the LDF process.
- c) The next scheduled meeting of the parish council was to be Tuesday 2nd September.