

**Informal notes of the Parish Council Meeting held on
Tuesday 7th June 2011 at the Memorial Hall, Trimley St Martin**

Present: Chairman John Barker, Vice Chairman John Sills, Councillors Carol Garrett, Heather Rodwell, Justine Good, Joe Smith, Frank Bell, Ian Cowan.

By Invitation: Suffolk County Councillor John Goodwin, Suffolk Coastal District Councillors Graham Harding and Susan Harvey

Clerk: Mrs Tracey Hunter

Apologies: Councillor Dave Pither, Suffolk Coastal District Councillor Richard Kerry, and PCSO Glynn Bowen

County Councillor/District Councillor Reports:

- A verbal report was also given by Suffolk County Councillor John Goodwin which included a reference that Footpath 42 would be re-surfaced, funding for this to be taken from his Quality of Life funding.
- Discussion then took place with regard to the Trimley Carnival, which had been hit by rising costs from the Police for road closure management of the village roads, which was likely to result in the carnival being cancelled. It was explained at the meeting, that the local SNT police were unable to undertake the role of road management and details of a Police approved company had been given but the cost was almost £2500, which the Carnival Committee were unable to afford. During the previous 24 hours, CC Goodwin had been in emailed correspondence, as had the Chairman of the Parish Council John Barker, with Joanna Spicer of the Police Commission in an effort to see if she was able to find a way forward that would result in a lower cost for not just the Trimley Carnival but other community events like it. Carnival Chairman John Sills advised that he would delay his decision to cancel the carnival by 24 hours but warned that due to spiralling costs of the road management, he would be forced to cancel if a satisfactory solution could not be found in that time frame. (Subsequent to this meeting, a reduced charge of £278.00 was costed by the SNT Police for the supervision of the road closure and the carnival is to proceed - details to be advised at the next parish meeting)

Public Questions:

- A member of the public raised the matter of the recent closure of the A14 following a fatal car accident. Diversions for traffic were along the single-track road, which runs alongside the A14, but it was felt that the traffic police poorly managed this and residents of Morston Hall Lane were severely inconvenienced when attempting to enter or exit the single-track road. Chairman John Barker asked Suffolk County Councillor John Goodwin if he would take this matter up with SCC Highways and the Police, John Goodwin later spoke to the member of the public outside of the meeting to ascertain further details.
- A member of the public also raised the state of the footpath that runs from Seamark and Nunn down to the Grimston Lane bus shelter. This had in fact been raised at a previous meeting and this had been reported to SCC, via Suffolk County Councillor John Goodwin who had made arrangements with Malcolm King at SCC for the footpath to be cleared. The white line has also been requested to be re-painted and the Clerk is to ask the Police to check this area for vehicles that cause obstruction by parking on the pavement. This issue to be raised at the SNT meeting.
- A member of the public also raised a planning issue whereby she felt that certain planning issues were not being adhered to at a neighbouring property and the Clerk is to contact the SCDC Planning Officer who was assigned to this particular application to request if a site visit can be made to ensure that the conditions of the application are being properly met.
- Ex Parish Councillor Keith Slaughter advised that the Thomas Cavendish plaque would shortly be ready for being placed on the outside wall of the Memorial Hall.

Matters arising from Minutes of the previous meeting:

- Parish Councillor vacancies - The Clerk advised that following the recent non-contested election that there were two vacancies, which were available for co-option. Councillors agreed to advertise the vacancies, in accordance with 'Good Practice' and notices will be placed on the village notice board and insertion in the Parish Pump, which will be issued in July. The Clerk took receipt of one written application at the meeting.

Planning Applications:

- **C11/1132 - 51 Mill Lane, Trimley St Martin** - Single Storey Rear and Side Extension –
- Circulated to the Planning Committee, discussed at the meeting, no objections.
- **C11/1237 - 2 Cavendish Road, Trimley St Martin** - Erection of front porch and detached garage. Discussed by councillors, no objections but Clerk is to point out the TPO on the tree that is adjacent to the property.

Planning Decisions:

- **C11/0419 - Land to the west of Alston Hall, Grimston Lane, Trimley St Martin** - Use of Land for stationing cabins to be used as temporary accommodation for six students employed at the farm. (Renewal of previous lapsed appl). - **Granted with Conditions** - Details read to councillors.
- **C11/0674 - 220 High Road, Trimley St Martin** - Erection of single storey rear extension – **Granted**
- **C11/0703 - 2 Ashground Close - Trimley St Martin** - Erection of two-storey rear extension. **Granted**

Highways and Footpath:

- a) The Clerk gave an update on the issues raised at the last meeting - Benches to be removed by SCS, footpath vegetation cut back. Seamark Nunn footpath being done and also the one opposite Hand in Hand. Road signs at Grimston Lane being replaced and asked resident to cut back overgrown vegetation obscuring road sign. SCS will include grass cutting behind the Hall. Faulty gate fastening reported to Network Rail.
- b) A new report of overgrown vegetation on footpath 33 was made, clerk to report.
- c) Councillor Garrett advised that a large amount of litter had been left at the Foreshore by youths, which she had confronted. The matter of regular policing of this area is to be raised at the SNT meeting on the 14th June.

Any Other Business:

- Parish Pump - The Chairman advised that a Parish Pump would be put out at the end of July.