

Informal Notes of a Trimley St Martin Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 3rd November 2009

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

Clerk: Mrs Tracey Hunter

By Invitation: Suffolk Coastal District Councillor Graham Harding and Suffolk County Councillor John Goodwin

Apologies: Parish Councillor Heather Rodwell, Frank Bell, Suffolk Coastal District Councillors Sherrie Green and Richard Kerry.

Declarations of Interest

Councillor Ian Cowan - Personal Interest - Local Development Framework

Community Police Report:

- The Clerk read out police report for month of October.
- The Clerk reminded councillors of the SNT Community meeting 10th Nov & Tasking meeting on 17th Nov. (Kirton Rec Pavilion).

Public Questions:

- Verbal reports given by Suffolk County Councillor John Goodwin and Suffolk Coastal District Councillor Graham Harding.
- No questions from the Public.

Matters arising from Previous Meetings:

- a) Local Development Framework - Councillors discussed further the points that they wished to include in their response to the latest document out for consultation, namely the Housing Distribution - Updated Preferred Option 7/09 and the Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy and Development Management Policies document. The Clerk is to compose a response on behalf of the Parish Council, which encompasses the points, put forward by councillors. A draft copy will be sent to councillors for their approval prior to the final copy being submitted to SCDC by the close of the consultation period on the 18th November.
- b) Reeve Lodge "Twin Villages Sign - Councillors agreed to the cost of £75.00 for the stone plinth to be cleaned.

Correspondence:

- Headway - A donation request was agreed by councillors of £50.00.

Planning Applications:

None

Planning Decisions:

CO9/1351 Location: 4A Grimston Lane, Trimley St Martin

Proposal: Erection of 1.8m close-boarded fence and planting new hedge (in breach of conditions 5 & 6 of CO4/2224) – **granted** with conditions.

Street Lighting:

Report of possible light out outside McColls, Clerk to check and report if necessary.

Highways and Footpaths:

- a) **Thorpe Lane** - The Clerk reported that she had attended a site meeting along with the Chairman John Br, with Malcolm King from SCC East Area Highways to discuss the problems being incurred in Thorpe Lane with regard to the lack of water drainage from the road. Malcolm King advised that once they were able to inspect the road when it was dry, arrangements could then be made to fill up any holes in the road and put in place a gully whereby water could be directed towards the drainage ditches.
- b) **Parking for access to Foreshore** - Councillors discussed the prospect of providing parking facilities at Thorpe Lane, in the vicinity of Footpath One that leads directly to the foreshore. The Clerk advised that Nigel Smith, Goslings Farm had discussed the possibility of being able to provide some sort of car parking area and she is to contact him to ascertain the latest situation. The Clerk will also contact Suffolk Coast and Heaths with regard to their Connect grant scheme that supports conservation, access and awareness projects.
- c) Cavendish Road sign - damaged. The Clerk will enquire about a replacement.

Any Other Business:

- a) The Clerk reminded councillors of the Remembrance Civic gathering at Reeve Lodge on the 11th November.
- b) The Clerk confirmed the date for the Reeve Lodge Carols as being the 17th December.
- c) Councillors agreed to order and purchase the Christmas trees for both Reeve Lodge and the Memorial Hall. If new lights are needed for the Hall tree, then these can be obtained at a reasonable cost. The Clerk will liase with Heather Rodwell regarding this matter.
- d) The next parish council meeting is confirmed as Tuesday 1st December.