

Informal notes of a meeting of Trimley St Martin Parish Council Held on Tuesday 6th October 2009

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

Clerk: Mrs Tracy Hunter

By invitation: Suffolk District Councillor Graham Harding.

Apologies: Parish Councillor Peter Waller, Suffolk Coastal District Councillors CC Sherrie Green and Richard Kerry.

Declarations of Interest:

- Councillor F. Bell - Personal Interest - Local Development Framework
- Councillor I. Cowan - Personal Interest - Local Development Framework
- Councillor Carol Garrett - Personal Interest (Acquaintance of applicant) - Planning Application C09/1277

Community Police Report:

- a) PC Raoul Pidgeon read out the monthly crime report for September.
- b) The Clerk brought to the council's attention, the letter (a copy of which had been provided to all councillors) which she had received regarding the proposed changes to the Police Hubs and the invitation to attend the Community Panel Meeting on the 20th October, in which Asst. Chief Constable Gary Kitching would be attending to expand further on the decision to reduce the number of Police Hubs in the area. Councillors to advise if they wished to attend.

Reports:

- The Clerk read out written reports, in their absence, from Suffolk County Councillor John Goodwin and Suffolk Coastal District Councillor Richard Kerry.
- There was an emailed apology of absence along with brief report from Suffolk Coastal District Councillor Sherrie Green.
- Suffolk Coastal District Councillor Harding provided a verbal report.

Public Questions:

The Clerk was asked if the Memorial Sign situated at Reeve Lodge needed to be cleaned/tidied up and the Clerk advised she would carry out an inspection and if necessary, obtain a quotation for the work.

Matters arising from Previous Minutes:

- a) **LDF** - The latest LDF Core Strategy and accompanying documents are now out for an eight-week consultation period and these are being circulated amongst councillors with the intention of holding a briefing/discussion meeting to debate the contents prior to putting together a submission in response. The Clerk is to invite members of Trimley St Mary Parish Council to this meeting, which was to be held on the 4th November. (Later changed to 21st October). The Clerk also advised that she had received an email from Waldringfield Parish Council who were offering to host a joint meeting of all the local parish councils on the peninsular with a view to a possible joint submission in addition to each parish council's own submission and whilst councillors were sceptical about the benefit of this, they did tentatively agree that attendance at an initial meeting might be worthwhile and the Clerk is to write and confirm this. The Clerk also provided details of the LDF public drop-in sessions that SCDC were putting on, the most local being on Monday 2nd November at the Felixstowe Town Hall, 6 - 8.30pm.

- b) Port Local Authority Liaison Meeting - Minutes of this meeting had been previously circulated to councillors and brief discussion took place with regard to the item regarding Innocence Farm which had been raised at the meeting by Tim Collins of Bidwells, the land agents for Trinity College. Details and maps had been provided at the Port LALC meeting of a potential development at the site known as Innocence Farm, which would include the use for port related businesses. Further possibilities included a railhead, an A14 underpass and large scale landscaping including a 70metre bund encompassing the site and the provision of cycle paths into the area.
- c) Bus shelter - The Clerk advised that the new bus shelter was now in place and the Chairman praised the Clerk for her part in the success of the project. Councillor Garret mentioned that there was a slight step up to the new shelter, which may be a hazard particularly at night, and the Clerk is to contact SCC about this.

Planning applications:

C09/1364 Location: Brands Garage Premises, High Road, Trimley St Mary
 Proposal: Erection of new co-operative supermarket with associated car park and service vehicle access, existing garage premises to be demolished.
 - Majority decision to approve planning application but with suggested conditions regarding deliveries, hours etc.

C09/1351 4A Grimston Lane, Trimley St Martin
 Erection of 1.8m close boarded fence and planting of new hedge (in breach of conditions 5 and 6 of CO4/2224).
 - Objections made, application not supported.

C09/1277 Gate House, 3A Grimston Lane, Trimley St Martin.
 Erection of first floor rear extension and erection of conservatory. (revised scheme)
 - No objections

C09/1392 1 Mill Lane, Trimley St Martin
 Erection of two-storey extension (existing outbuilding and conservatory to be demolished) (revised scheme)
 - No objections

C09/1448 Pickwicks Folly Thorpe Lane, Trimley St Mary.
 Erection of two-storey rear extension, replacement windows, demolition of garage.
 - No objections

C09/1481 212 High Road, Trimley St Martin
 Alterations for roof of building in connection with conversion of outbuilding to form annexe.
 - plans not very clear, planning committee making site visit before planning committee making a decision.

Planning Decisions:

C09/0610 Land rear of 75 - 85 Mill lane, Old Kirton Road, Trimley St Martin.
 Erection of 10 dwellings.
 - **Granted** with conditions (Decision notes circulated to councillors)

C09/0262 Part Rear garden 258 High Road, Trimley St Martin
 Erection of single storey dwelling.
 - **Granted** with conditions

Highways and Footpaths:

- a) Mill Close/Heathfields weeds - Clerk read email to councillors received from SCC stating that following a visit to the area, it was noted that the weeds were now dead or dying off. However, councillors felt that this was a poor response and that in fact the weeds need removing completely. The Clerk is to write back to SCC.

- b) Trimley High Rd- Mill Close footpath/horses - The Clerk advised she had heard back from SCC regarding plaques that could be put up at either end of the footpath, but with the permission of the land owner and the Clerk will write to them accordingly, to request permission for the plaques to be put in place.
- c) Damaged Dog Bin - The dog litterbin at Grimston Lane has been damaged and the Clerk will make arrangements for repairs to be made.
- d) Overgrown footpath - Councillor Pither reported footpath 26 as being severely overgrown, the Clerk will inspect and then report to SCC Rights of Way.
- e) Thorpe Lane - reports of mud on the lane were mentioned and this was made worse in wet weather. Councillors, who live in the area, felt this was in part due to the farm machinery/vehicles entering and exiting the field that leads onto the lane. The Clerk is to contact both the local farmer and Malcolm King at SCC regarding this matter.

Any Other Business:

- a) Remembrance at Reeve Lodge - 11th Nov. - The Clerk advised that the Remembrance service at the peace sign at Reeve Lodge would take place on Wednesday 11th November. The Clerk advised that Mr John Ranner has kindly agreed to play the Last Post at the brief service and it was put forward that in recognition of his services, so kindly given every year, that a donation of £50.00 (£25 donated from both Trimley St Martin and Trimley St Mary Parish Councils) be donated to the Salvation Army. All those present unanimously agreed this.
- b) Councillor Identification - Councillor Slaughter put it to members that they should have some form of identification, particularly when calling at properties on planning site visits. The Clerk is to obtain a quotation for identification badges.