

## **Informal Notes of Trimley St Martin Parish Council held on Wednesday 23rd October 2008 at the Memorial Hall Trimley St Martin**

**Present:** Chairman John Barker, Councillors Keith Slaughter, John Sills, Ian Cowan, Carol Garrett, Frank Bell and Peter Waller. DC G. Harding

**Clerk:** Mrs Tracey Hunter.

### **Declaration of Interests.**

SCDC Councillor Graham Harding listened to the points put forward regarding the planning application and then left the meeting, prior to any decisions being made by the Parish Council.

**CO8/1285 Location: Land rear of 77-85 Mill Lane and 53 – 57 Old Kirton Road, Trimley St Martin.**  
**Proposal: Erection of 13 dwellings with access off Old Kirton Road.**

Councillor Slaughter advised councillors that he had made a site visit to the land in question and had spoken to several of the residents in neighbouring properties. The Clerk had reminded councillors that the parish council had not objected to some development on this site when the outline planning application had been made and was consequently granted, but the indication made by SCDC Planning Department of approximately five houses being built on the size of land, subject to certain criteria, was vastly different to the thirteen properties which had been detailed on the latest plans.

Councillors felt that this was excessive and furthermore there were concerns regarding access to the site, off street parking availability and the infringement of both privacy and natural light to neighbouring properties. A point was made that existing properties in Mill Lane currently had access to their rear gardens via the site but this had not been included on the plans.

After lengthy discussion by councillors, the Clerk was instructed to write to SCDC Planning Department advising of the parish council's objections to the plans in their current form and detailing the reasons why.

### **External Audit**

The Clerk advised that she had received correspondence from BDO Stoy Hayward, the external auditors of the annual accounts and that they had raised a small number of queries regarding the year-end accounts. The Clerk advised that she had been in contact with the internal auditor Colin Monk and had ran through the questions and answers to these queries with him. The Clerk then proceeded to outline these to councillors and they agreed that she should reply to the external auditors with the answers to the queries as confirmed with the internal auditor.