

## **Informal notes of a Trimley St Martin Parish Council Meeting Held on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2009**

**Present:** Chairman John Barker, Vice Chairman Berridge Eve, Councillors Keith Slaughter, Frank Bell, John Sills, Carol Garrett, Joe Smith, Heather Rodwell

**Clerk:** Mrs Tracey Hunter

**Apologies:** Parish Councillors Dave Pither, Suffolk Coastal Councillors Sherrie Green and Richard Kerry.

### **Declarations of Interest:**

Councillor Frank Bell - Personal Interest - Local Development Framework

Councillor Ian Cowan - Personal Interest - Local Development Framework

### **Community Police Report:**

- No monthly police report received.
- The Chairman gave councillors a brief report of the Safer Neighbourhood Meeting he had attended and advised that the problems at Seven Oaks, being caused by the resident migrant workers, had been discussed and put forward to the Tasking meeting as a priority concern. A number of different Agencies are looking into how matters can be improved.

### **Reports:**

- Suffolk County Councillor John Goodwin gave a verbal report.
- A written report was received from Suffolk Coastal District Councillor Sherrie Green.
- Suffolk Coastal District Councillor Graham Harding gave a brief verbal report to councillors.

### **Matters Arising From Previous Minutes:**

- a) **LDF** - Whilst the parish council had received correspondence noting that there would be a further round of consultation on a revised Core Strategy Document, following decisions made at the recent Cabinet Meeting, the Clerk has been advised that the LDF Task Group are still awaiting infrastructure reports. The documents for consultation would now be out at the end of September, rather than the beginning of the month, which had been indicated in the letter received from SCDC.
- b) **Bus shelter** - The Clerk advised that the old brick bus shelter adjacent to the Hand in Hand had now been demolished, with just the back wall and half a sidewall remaining. The new Perspex shelter, which will replace the old one, is scheduled to arrive on Monday 7th Sept.
- c) **Police Hubs** – The Chairman advised that he had attended a meeting with the Police regarding the proposed new police hubs and had put the councils concerns to the police regarding this matter. However, Chairman Barker advised that as he understood things, the new changes would be going ahead in 2010, regardless of public opinion.

### **Finance:**

- The Clerk advised that she had received the completed audited accounts from BDO, and apart from a small mention regarding a Section 137 payment for Christmas trees, there were no matters arising from the accounts.
- The Clerk advised she had transferred £3000 from the deposit account into the current account.

### **Planning applications:**

#### **C09/01200 Location: 1 Mill Lane, Trimley St Martin.**

Proposal: Erection of single storey extension (existing outbuilding and conservatory to be demolished).

Looked at by councillors, no objections made.

#### **The Piggeries - Latest developments**

The Clerk advised that she had been informed by SCDC that the application has been formally amended in accordance with the Committee's resolution. Number of dwellings has been reduced to 10. The S106 legal obligation regarding provision of 3 units of affordable housing has been completed, and the planning permission is about to be issued. A copy of the Planning Permission would be forwarded to the Parish in the usual way shortly.

### **Highways and Footpaths:**

- a) Trimley St Martin School - The Clerk had received a letter from the school regarding the possibility of a cycle/footpath being created from the side of Trimley St Martin linking in with the footbridge and on to the school. Councillors briefly discussed this but there are a number of physical constraints on being able to provide a cycle/footpath. The Chairman will discuss the matter with the Suffolk County Councillor who is now Chairman of SCC Rights of Way committee.
- b) Overgrown Footpath Cavendish Road/Footpath - Clerk received correspondence from SCC Rights of Way who advise property in process of being sold and therefore cutting of hedge owned, may take time! Clerk to contact Suffolk County Councillor John Goodwin to hopefully expedite matters.
- c) Triangle of land in Grimston Lane. - Councillors expressed dismay at the state of the triangle of land that belongs to the property known as Marantha. The Clerk is to write to the owners asking their intentions as to its proposed use.
- d) Howlett Way - It was noted that one of the landscaped beds requires further bedding plants. The Clerk will make enquiries as to cost.
- e) Foreshore Litter Bin - This is being regularly emptied by SCDC although Councillor Slaughter felt it would be helpful to have a second bin in place and the Clerk is to make enquiries regarding obtaining a second bin from SCDC.
- f) Footpath HighRd - Mill Close - It has been reported that horse riders have been utilizing the footpath for access to and from Mill Close onto the High Road. Since this is not a bridleway, the Clerk has been asked to make enquiries as to whether a sign to this effect can be put in place. She will contact the Rights of Way dept.
- g) Thorpe Lane - It was discussed that the ditch along Thorpe Lane from Woodlands Cottage to Shore Cottage should be re-instated to help with drainage in wet weather and the Clerk is to contact the landowner in this respect.

### **Any Other Business:**

- a) Councillor Slaughter advised that despite shortly moving out of the parish, he would continue to monitor the litter situation at the foreshore although requested that another councillor take over the River Care scheme.
- b) The Chairman gave a brief report of his attendance at the POF Freight Quality Partnership meeting. He advised that the Port had made it known that they would like to see Operation Stack being operated within ten minutes travelling time of the port.