

Informal notes of the Trimley St Martin Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 7th December 2004 at the Memorial Hall, Trimley St Martin.

Present: Chairman Nigel Smith, Vice-Chair John Barker, Heather Rodwell, Berridge Eve, Carol Garrett, Dave Pither, Julie Pither-Jones, Joe Smith, Andy Smith, Keith Slaughter.

Clerk: Mrs T. U. Hunter

By invitation: Mary Dixon, Sherrie Green (SCDC Councillors)

Apologies: David Beale, Patricia O'Brien, and PC Gledhill.

Matters Arising from November Meeting

- **F.S.R/Dock Spur Roundabout** – The Clerk reported that following the last meeting, she had since received a copy of the Addendum to the Transport Assessment in respect of the FSR and since this contained a number of new suggestions which had been put forward in respect of safety improvements for the Dock Spur roundabout, which the Parish Council had not previously been aware, the Clerk had been requested to write to the Planning Inspectorate in charge of the inquiry which was currently taking place, and make our concerns known. The letter which was written and delivered to the Planning Inspectorate on the 16th November, was read out to Councillors and the points made regarding full signalisation of the roundabout and dualling the railway line through Trimley, were then discussed by Councillors.
- **Trimley School Parking** – The Clerk read out an email that she had received from Guy Pearse advising the latest developments with regard to the proposed Traffic Order. The email confirmed that parking amendments would be made on the Trimley side of the school only and that the formal consultation on the Order, which is likely to be combined with the 40mph on Howlett Way to save advertising costs, should be in progress shortly.

Community Police Officer's Report.

The Clerk read out the crime reports for the months of October and November. The Clerk also read out to Councillors a letter she had received from Sgt Mick Richardson with regard to the introduction of Community Support Officers to the area. Whilst Councillors appreciated the early notice and the full details of the short-term changes to the roles to be undertaken by the Trimley Community Police Officers, the Clerk was requested to write to the Sector Commander to ensure that the potential loss of any community policing in the villages was kept to a minimum, as assured to us within the letter.

Public Question Time

- **County Councillor Patricia O'Brien** – The Clerk read the CC report to the Councillors and it was noted that the Boundary Commission had finally reported and that SCC is to comprise of 75 councillors, each with responsibility for approx. 7332 electors.
- **District Councillor Mary Dixon** brought to Councillors attention the Crime Report Supplement contained within the SCDC magazine Coastline and in particular the questionnaire which she asked councillors to personally complete and return as members of the public, since the results of this, would lead to policing being directed towards those areas where it was most needed.
- **District Councillor Sherrie Green** advised Councillors that SCDC were setting up four Overview and Scrutiny Committees namely Environmental and Housing, Corporate Management, Community Wellbeing and Economic Partnership, which would ensure that these departments were providing the proper services and value for money.
- **Public Questions** – It was reported to Councillors that a tree had been chopped down in the vicinity of the Howlett Way steps (Thurmans Lane side).

Correspondence

- **Suffolk Coastal Services letter** – The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence stating that the debris is to be cleared from Howlett Way and that they would be writing to residents whose homes backed onto this stretch of road, pointing out the legal implications of illegal dumping.
- **Suffolk Coastal Primary Care Trust letter** – The Clerk received correspondence advising that a full reply to our concerns contained in our letter dated the 24th November, would be forward to us shortly. However, the Clerk is to write back to Sharon Jarrett asking if she would like to attend a parish council meeting to explain to Councillors the current situation with regard to the changes taking place at the Felixstowe Hospitals and the progress made on the provision of Ipswich Hospital consultant clinics at Felixstowe General Hospital.
- **SCDC letter re: Sausage Shop-** SCDC advised that The Real Sausage Company had been asked to reduce the area of their forecourt sign.
- **SCDC – Outdoor playing space parish schedule.** Clerk advised Councillors of the assessment of the play areas as detailed in the report.
- **Homestart – Donation request.-** The Clerk was asked to write back advising that the request would be considered when the Precept for the following financial year was discussed.
- **Headway – Donation request.** The Clerk was asked to write back advising that the request would be considered when the Precept for the following financial year was discussed.
- **Disability Advice Service.** – The Clerk read out a letter of thanks for the £50.00 donation.

Planning Applications

- **CO/4 2092 Proposal:** Erection of single storey rear extension - Location: 42 Cavendish Road, Trimley St Martin - Looked at by Councillors, concerns re: size of extension for existing property and driveway/parking availability.
- **CO4/2224 Proposal: Erection of one cottage style dwelling and garage and construction of new vehicular access** - Location: Part side garden Owl Cottage, 4 Grimston Lane, Trimley St Martin. – Councillors views were unchanged from the previous application in that it was considered that the land available was too small for this type of dwelling.
- **CO4/1949 Proposal: Erection to shop and installation of wc** - Location: 400 High Road, Seamark and Nunn, Trimley St Martin - Application will be considered by Councils South Team on 9th December. – Councillors were advised of the hearing date for the above.

Planning Decisions

- **CO4/1801 Proposal:** Erection of single-storey extension to side and rear. - Location: 52 St Martins Green, Trimley St Martin – **GRANTED**
- **CO4/1802 Proposal:** Erection of two-storey rear extension together with alterations (re-submission) - Location: 1 Meadow Close, Trimley St Martin. **GRANTED** (with conditions)

Highways and Footpaths

- The Clerk had received notice that a field containing Footpath 21 leading to FP19 had a horse in the field and which previously had a fence keeping horse and walkers apart. The Clerk had contacted the owners and the horse is to be moved to another field.
- Councillors pointed out that gutters had not been cleared within Heathfields.
- An overgrown hedge was reported on the corner of Old Kirton Road and Cavendish Road, also one in Capel Close.

- A tree on the boundary of 2 Cavendish Road had also been chopped at and the Clerk is to ask SCC to inspect this for safety reasons.
- Thorpe lane crossing is regularly flooded and the Clerk is to write to Network Rail with regard to the state of the tracks at this section of line.
- The Grimston Lane crossing gates are also in a poor state of repair.

Any other Business

- Keith Slaughter advised that the Memorial Hall committee were in the process of obtaining quotations for the proposed work to the Memorial Hall. He also requested that the Parish Council pay the Building Control application fee at the sum of £61.69, which was agreed by Councillors.
- Dave Pither and Julie Pither-Jones advised Councillors that they had attended the opening ceremony of the Trinity Terminal.
- The Clerk reminded Councillors of the Carol service on the 14th December at Reeve Lodge.
- The next Parish Council meeting will be held is on the 4th January at the Memorial Hall.
- The Clerk advised Councillors that a General Purpose and Finance meeting would also be called in January for the purpose of setting the precept for the coming financial year. The date to be advised.