

## **Informal Notes of the Trimley St Martin Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 1st February 2005 at the Memorial Hall, Trimley St Martin.**

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

**Clerk:** Mrs Tracy Hunter

**Apologies:** Heather Rodwell, David Beale, Patricia O'Brien, Mary Dixon, and PC Dave Gledhil.

### **Matters arising from minutes of the January 2005 Meeting**

- **Felixstowe Masterplan** - The Clerk read to Councillors the letter she had received from SCDC regarding the Felixstowe Masterplan, which acknowledged the parish council's wish to be included in the Masterplan exercise. Consultants were yet to be appointed and SCDC are to advise the name of these once they are known. A further General Purpose meeting has been arranged for the 23rd February in order that Councillors may discuss this matter more fully and to prepare for the issues that they wish to be consulted on within the Felixstowe Masterplan.
- **Traffic Order** - The Clerk confirmed that she had received confirmation from SCC East Area Highways Manager, that the Traffic Order for the area to the south of Trimley St Martin CP School would be processed along with the change in speed restriction of Howlett Way to 40mph and the A14/Trimley Flyover roundabout being de-restricted.

### **Public Question Time**

County Councillor Patricia O'Brien - The Clerk read the County Councillors report which advised that SCC has set a council tax increase of 2.9% with the budget to be discussed at the Executive Committee meeting on the 3rd Feb.

### **Correspondence**

- a) **Hutchinson Ports** - The Clerk had received a letter from HP (UK) which contained a report of the outcome of the enquiry and specifically the obligations that the FDRC has agreed under a Deed dated the 25th Nov. 2004, made pursuant to Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 relating to the proposed FSR. The Deed schedule then listed the undertakings that the FDRC were to put in place in respect of the Felixstowe South Reconfiguration, the decision of which is expected from the Government by late summer of 2005. This schedule which had been circulated to all Councillors was then discussed and in particular those issues most affecting Trimley St Martin, these being the acoustic barriers and the dualling of the railway. Councillors have requested that the Clerk write to FDRC to make enquiries with regard to these two issues, in particular requesting to know how far the acoustic barriers will extend into the village along the A14 and in respect of the dualling of the railway, wishing to be fully consulted, including in respect of the Environmental Impact Assessment of the scheme. Councillors are particularly concerned at the effect that the dualling will have on the "gatehouses" and road/rail crossing points within the parish.
- b) **Nacton Parish Council** - The Clerk had received a letter from Nacton Parish Council asking that all local councils make a joint request to the Highways Agency for a quieter road surface along the A14. This Parish understands that this is already the practice carried out by the Highways Agency, as and when new surfaces are put down on the A14. The Clerk will respond to Nacton Parish Council accordingly.
- c) **Suffolk Coastal Primary Care Trust** - The Clerk read to Councillors the correspondence she had received from both Sharon Jarrett (Health Improvement Manager) and Anne Taylor (Joint Clinical Director), in respect of the changes taking place at the two Felixstowe and Bartlett Hospitals. However, Councillors were not reassured by their comments of a work programme being established and felt that this was completely contradictory to the information that had been provided to them at an earlier meeting with Sharon Jarrett, who had then been keen to extol the virtues of changing the services being provided by the hospitals. There have been numerous reports in the local press of the problems currently being experienced by the Suffolk Coastal PCT and the Clerk has been asked to write to Anne Taylor inviting her to a Parish Council meeting in which she may bring Councillors up to date with the current position.
- d) **SCDC - Standards Committee** dispensation granted in respect of Councillors, as Trustees, being able to discuss issues concerning the Memorial Hall.

- e) **Suffolk Accident Rescue Service** - A request for donation had been received and Councillors proposed and seconded a donation of £150.00.
- f) **SCC - Minerals and Waste Plan** consultation document. The Chairman briefly outlined the details of the consultation document and will respond accordingly.
- g) **SCC, Footpaths & Rights of Way** - Letter from SCC containing a draft report in respect of a claimed footpath within the village; the report is being forwarded to the Rights of Way Subcommittee shortly.

## Finance

**Precept 2005/2006** - Full discussion of the next years precept had taken place at the Finance and General Purpose meeting on the 18th January 2005, and the client advised Councillors that she had written to SCDC, to confirm that this would be unchanged from last year at £12,000. For a Band D property, this would give a yearly amount payable by householders of £17.74. (monthly £1.47)

## Planning Applications

- **CO5/0138** Proposal: Erection of single-storey side conservatory extension - Location: 44 Mill Lane, Trimley St Martin. Councillors discussed the application and no objections were made to planning permission being granted.
- **CO5/0109** Proposal: Erection of two-storey side extension - Location: 71 Mill Lane, Trimley St Martin. Councillors discussed the application and no objections were made to planning permission being granted.

## Planning Decisions

- **CO4/2224** Proposal: Erection of one cottage style dwelling and garage and construction of new vehicular access (revised scheme) - Location: Part side garden Owl Cottage, 4 Grimston Lane, Trimley St Martin. GRANTED (with conditions)
- **CO4/1949** Proposal: Erection of extension to shop and installation of wc. - Location: 400 High Road, Trimley St Martin. GRANTED.(parking spaces to be retained)

## Highways and Footpaths

- It was reported that a vehicle is continually parking on the raised kerb area adjacent to the exit from Mill Lane into High Road and the Clerk is to report the matter to Community Police Officer.
- There were also reports made of grass verges being destroyed by vehicles not being properly parked outside properties. Mention of this is to be made in the next issue of the Parish Pump.

## Any other business

- Vice-Chair briefly reported on the HP (UK) reception evening that he had attended and in particular advised Councillors of a Freight Partnership Forum that was mentioned by Chris Lewis in his short presentation. This is a partnership between the HP (UK), SCDC, SCC, the Police and also local town and parish councils. The Clerk has been instructed to write to Chris Lewis to find out more details of this partnership forum since the Parish Council are keen to be involved as much as possible with regard to any matter relating to freight travel that occurs within, and close by, our village.
- Councillor Slaughter is arranging a beach clean-up of the Trimley Foreshore and will liaise with Councillors as to the most convenient time for this to be carried out, based on high/low tide times.
- Councillor Slaughter is arranging for a second estimate to be obtained for the proposed work to the Memorial Hall. Mention was made again of the Memorial Hall registering for VAT and the Clerk is to contact Suffolk Acre in this respect.
- The next issue of the Parish Pump will be April 2005.