

## **Matters of interest from Trimley St Martin Parish Council meeting held at the Trimley Methodist Church Hall on Tuesday 7th June at 7.30pm.**

**Present:** Chairman Nigel Smith, V. Chairman John Barker, David Beale, Berridge Eve, Carol Garrett, Julie Pither-Jones, Dave Pither, Joe Smith, Keith Slaughter.

**Clerk:** Mrs Tracey Hunter

**By Invitation:** Suffolk County Councillor John Goodwin, Suffolk Coastal Councillor Mary Dixon

### **Matters Arising from Meeting held on 3rd May 2005:**

**Railway dualling.**— The Clerk confirmed to members the date of 8<sup>th</sup> June for the Councillors Information session being held at Tomline House which would include an introduction and overview of the scheme followed by a tour of the Port. The Clerk also advised that a Scoping Report on the Felixstowe Branch Line Double Tracking and Ipswich Yard Improvements had been received which had been looked at by the Chairman and Vice Chairman and the Clerk read out a letter noting the concerns of the Parish Council, in respect of the railway dualling issues, which had been sent to E.R.M who had requested a reply within three weeks of the report being issued.

**Felixstowe Masterplan** – The Clerk reported to Councillors that she had been contacted by David Lock Assoc, who were the consultants working on the Felixstowe Masterplan and who had requested a meeting with the Chairman and Clerk such that they may formally introduce themselves and advise us of what stage the process was at and also, what they would be requiring from the Parish Council. The meeting had been arranged for 11.00am on the 9<sup>th</sup> June and would also be attended by two representatives from Trimley St Mary Parish Council. The Chairman assured Councillors that he would be seeking a further meeting with representatives from David Lock Assoc, such that all councillors would be in attendance to put forward the views and ideas for the Parish that they would like to see included within the Masterplan.

**Tennis Courts** – Following queries raised at last months meeting, the Clerk informed Councillors that the Tennis Court at the rear of the Sports and Social Club is subject to a tenancy agreement with the Sports and Social Club which was set up in 1997 and that they are responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of the court along with payment of a £15.00 per year rent.

### **Correspondence**

- **Suffolk Coasts and Heaths-** The Clerk reported on a letter that she had received from SC&H which gave details of the Haven Gateway Partnership's attempt to seek government recognition of this area as being a 'Growth point'. If successful this may bring in significant capital funding for development and as part of the criteria for the funding, there is a category for 'green space'. The Clerk read to councillors the letter she had sent to SC&H which confirmed the Parish Council's interest in such a project and further details of the requirements needed, were requested from SC&H.
- **SCDC** – The Clerk advised that she had received details of a Town and Parish Workshop in respect of the Suffolk Coastal Local Development Framework. Various dates were given and the workshop attendance was restricted to two persons representing each town/parish council. The Chairman and Councillor Joe Smith would attend on behalf of the council.
- **Memorial Hall Insurance** – Councillors agreed to pay £500 towards the £895.00 premium required for the annual policy.
- **Consultation paper on Strategic Plan for less common cancers.** Councillor Slaughter is to complete the questionnaire on behalf of the Parish Council.
- **SCC A14 footbridge.** The Clerk read to councillors, the letter she had received from SCC with regard to changing the barriers at either end of the footbridge in line with the Dept. of Transport guide on best access to pedestrian and transport infrastructure entitled Inclusive Mobility. The intention was to remove one of the barriers and widen the distance between the remaining two such that invalid carriages and cycles with baby trailers may easily negotiate the footbridge. Concern was expressed by some councillors that this would lead to motorcyclists/moped riders using the bridge un-obstructed and the Clerk is to write to SCC with their concerns. However, it was reported that the work had already taken place.

### **Planning Applications**

**CO5/0741** - Two storey rear extension, single storey side conservatory - Seabridge Cottages, Stratton Hall, Ipswich. Was circulated to councillors as received in between meetings. Concerns raised as to percentage increase in size and possible intrusion to neighbours.

**CO5/0890-** Retention of summerhouse. - 14 Ashground Close, Trimley St Martin - circulated to Councillors as received in between meetings. No objections made.

## Planning Decisions

**CO5/0451** - Proposal: Erection of detached bungalow and construction of new vehicular access. - 77 Mill lane, Trimley St Martin. - refused ( Contrary to policies AP19 and AP27.)

**CO5/0451** - Retention of timber garden building - 85 St Martins Green, Trimley St Martin - approved

**Co5/0344** - Erection of front boundary wall and gates - 282A High Road, Trimley St Martin. approved

## Highways and Footpaths

- The Clerk read out a letter received from SCC detailing the works that had been carried out in relation to the Parish Councils request regarding overgrown hedges, paths needing to be cut back and weedkilling in road gutters, especially in Mill Close and Heathfields.
- Councillors informed the Clerk of overgrown vegetation at two properties in Old Kirton Road and the Clerk is to inform the appropriate authority.
- The Clerk has been requested to write to SCC with regard to the dogbins which it appears are not being emptied regularly enough, especially the one situated in Old Kirton Road.
- Complaints had been received about the number of vehicles being parked outside the premises of Seamark and Nunn, including recently, a car complete with boat/trailer.
- The Clerk is to write to the owners to point out that there should be adequate parking made available for staff and customers, as per the planning application that had recently been submitted which showed there ought to currently be 11 spaces available. ( 12, after the proposed extension is built.)

## Any Other Business

- Howlett Way – The Clerk reported that a first cut of the long grass behind the planted beds had been carried out by JAS. However, the Clerk had been advised by the Clerk of Trimley St Mary Parish Council, that they felt the quotation for the cuts were expensive and had requested that further quotations be sought. This point was also raised by Mary Dixon earlier in the meeting and the Clerk of this Parish advised councillors that a more favourable quotation for the work had been quoted by SCDC. The Clerk is therefore to contact them with regard to carrying out the work required. JAS Landscapes are to be requested to carry out the maintenance of the planted beds at a cost of £400 and a meeting of the joint committees is to be arranged such that any disputed matters may be resolved.
- Councillor Slaughter advised that the Memorial Hall committee, having made initial enquiries, do not feel that they would be successful in securing lottery funding for the improvements to the Hall. It was being discussed that only the construction of disabled toilet facilities would be added to the hall in the foreseeable future and the Committee would seek advice from SCDC if the grant that had been allocated on the proviso lottery funding would be forthcoming, would still be granted either in full or part. The anticipated cost of the toilet facilities were thought to be in the region of £6 - £8000, which Councillors felt they would be able to raise without the necessity of loan facilities.
- Councillor Eve advised Councillors that the Hedgerow Survey was making good progress although further volunteers were still required.
- The next issue of the Parish Pump was to be distributed at the end of July and all material for this edition was to be made available by the 4<sup>th</sup> July.
- The next meeting of the parish council was confirmed to be the 5<sup>th</sup> July.