

# SAWSTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

23 February 2010

**PRESENT:** Chairman: Mrs S A Hatton

Snr Asst. Clerk: Mrs G A Pack

Councillors

Mrs P J Awbery-Maskell

Dr D R Bard

Miss S E Clarke

W A Fell

Ms B Laxton

E C Murray

W N Reid (arrived 7.40pm)

J W D Reynolds

Mrs J G A Smith

+ Mr G Xuereb : Ms J Vella

## 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from Councillors D J Roberts and N Thomas

## 2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS FOR THIS MEETING

None

## 3 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 26 January 2010 were read, confirmed and signed.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor Ms B Laxton and **SECONDED** by Councillor Dr D R Bard to **ACCEPT** these minutes

**VOTE: 10 FOR (UNANIMOUS)**

## 4 MATTERS ARISING – New Information Only.

### 4 - Trees at Chapelfield Way

After much discussion it was **AGREED** that the Clerk should contact SCDC again to ask why the trees are not being replaced. It was also **AGREED** to invite Mr Grimmer to the next Planning & Environment Committee Meeting to discuss this matter further.

### 7 – Lighting – Selsingen Way Car Park

Councillors Dr D R Bard and Mrs S A Hatton to check who is responsible for the lighting as the Council had agreed not to put any more lights in car park.

### 12 – Water Hydrants

The Clerk had reported the damaged water hydrants to Cambridge Water Company and advised the Committee that the Water Company were aware of the situation. It was suggested that a letter is written to Cambridge Water Company suggesting to them that a reward is offered as an initiative for information leading to identification of persons causing this kind of vandalism.

## 12 – Burnands Place

Concrete slab still needs replacing. Clerk to chase.

## 12 Business Hours – Babraham Road Industrial Estate

This information has still not been received.

## 5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND ASSOCIATED MATTERS

- S/1319/08/F**      Erection of 22 Flats with Associated Parking following demolition of existing Health Centre at Sawston Health Centre, Link Road for BPHA  
**Amended for information only**  
**Amendment:**  
**Re-positioning and change to size and design and of bin stores and cycle stores**
- S/0930/09/LB**      Internal and external alterations for conversion of public house to offices with refurbishment of cottage. Install air conditions units, fence, gates and new signage at The Woolpack P.H. 70 High Street for Russells (Estate Agents)  
**Amended for information only**  
**Amendments:**  
**Disabled w.c. enlarged**  
**First floor w.c. replaced by kitchen, staff kitchen replaced with office**
- S/0079/10/F**      Extension at 20 London Road for Mr D Ambrose  
**Amended for information only**  
**Amendment:**  
**Site edged red reduced in size to reflect extent of residential cartilage**
- S/0115/10/F**      Extension at 26 Mill Lane for Mr P Hoddinott  
**SPC Comment: Do Not Support**  
**Over-development**  
**Concern is existing outbuilding will effectively be converted into residential accommodation**  
**Building control issues for existing outbuilding**  
**Vote:      8 For**  
**2 no vote (DRB : SAH)**
- Proposed to Refuse* by Councillor Ms B Laxton and *Seconded* by Councillor W A Fell

## ASSOCIATED MATTERS

### Application for Street Trading Consent

Applicant: Mr Steven Wylds of 9 Ringsfield Road Lowestoft

Location: High Street, Sawston (outside Jade Fountain Restaurant) on Thursdays 08.30hrs – 15.30hrs selling fresh and smoked fish.

*Proposed* by Councillor E C Murray and *Seconded* by Councillor W A Fell to **SUPPORT** this application

**VOTE:      9 FOR                      :      1 no vote (SAH)**

**6 PLANNING DECISIONS**

These were accepted by all Committee members

**7 NOTICEBOARD – SELSINGEN WAY**

The Clerk contacted Ms E Cameron, Manager at Gravelles/Budgens who advised that Planning Permission had not yet been granted for the new noticeboard but that it was imminent and should be with her within the next 10 days. This to be made an Agenda item for the next Planning & Environment Committee Meeting.

**8 106 AGREEMENT – 57/59 HIGH STREET**

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor E C Murray and **SECONDED** by Councillor by Ms B Laxton to **ACCEPT** this agreement with all the conditions therein.

**VOTE: 10 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)**

**9 12 VICARAGE AVENUE – VEHICLE RIGHT OF WAY**

The Parish Council had received the following requests from the owner of 12 Vicarage Avenue:

- to build a boundary wall and for the removal of a small tree which would interfere with this build
- to be granted vehicular right of way over the rear accessway from The Green Road in order to park on his property
- purchase the small area of land (shown outlined in blue on the attached plan) which acts as a hammerhead/turning circle for the residents of Sunderlands Avenue/Sanfoin Close

**After much discussion it was PROPOSED by Councillor Dr D R Bard and Seconded by Councillor Mrs S A Hatton to SUSPEND Standing Orders to allow Mr G Xuereb to speak**

**VOTE: 10 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)**

Mr G Xuereb advised to Committee the following:

- No cars use this hammerhead
- Not a public road
- Neighbours have been notified

**It was PROPOSED by Councillor E C Murray and Seconded by Councillor Dr D R Bard to REINSTATE Standing Orders to allow the meeting to continue**

**VOTE: 10 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)**

It was agreed there were 3 issues and each issue needed to be voted on:

**Issue 1 -Sale of hammerhead**

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor W A Fell and **SECONDED** by Councillor Miss S E Clarke **Not to Support** the sale of the hammerhead as this would deem sole use of the

access road for the owners of 12 Vicarage Avenue as it is too narrow for other residents to be able to turn round without the use of the hammerhead.

**VOTE: 8 FOR : 2 no vote (DRB : SAH)**

**Issue 2 -Removal of tree**

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor W A Fell and **SECONDED** by Ms B Laxton **No Objection** to the felling of the tree.

**VOTE: 8 FOR : 2 no vote (DRB : SAH)**

**Issue 3 -Vehicular Right of Way**

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor W A Fell and **SECONDED** by Councillor Ms B Laxton - **No Objection** to the Vehicular Right of Way.

**VOTE: 8 FOR : 2 no vote (DRB : SAH)**

**10 CORRESPONDENCE**

**Community Clean Up Events Workshop supported by DEFRA**

This Workshop to be held on 8 March 2010 at SCDC, South Cambs Hall, Cambourne between 1pm – 4/5pm. Clerk to be advised if any interest shown.

**Buckingham Palace Garden Party**

As Councillor Mrs S A Hatton was now unable to attend she nominated Councillor Mrs P J Awbery-Maskell to attend in her place. It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor E C Murray and **SECONDED** by Councillor Miss S E Clarke to accept this nomination.

**VOTE: 9 FOR : 1 no vote (PJAM)**

**11 COUNCILLORS ISSUES**

**New Road/Evans Way**

Condition of the pot holes in these roads was reported as extremely serious, but the Committee was advised that CCC were already aware of the situation.

**Footpath – John Falkner School**

It was reported that there were numerous over hanging briars causing a problem for pedestrians. Clerk to report to Cambridgeshire County Council.

**Vicarage Avenue**

It was reported that the rubbish etc. in Vicarage Avenue was still causing a problem. SCDC were aware.

**Churchfield Avenue/Sunderlands Avenue/Holme Way**

SCDC to be advised of situation regarding parking on grass verges causing destruction of the grass. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk write to Mr David Stratford at SCDC asking for them to consider removing the grass verges and infill with tarmac etc. Photographs to be taken to substantiate this suggestion.

**12 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA**

None

**Meeting closed at 9.05pm**