

SAWSTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

23 March 2010

PRESENT: Chairman: Mrs S A Hatton

Clerk: Mrs J F Keeler

Councillors

Mrs P J Awbery-Maskell

Miss S E Clarke

W A Fell

Ms B Laxton

E C Murray

W N Reid

J W D Reynolds

Mrs J G A Smith

N Thomas

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from Councillors Dr D R Bard and D J Roberts.

2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS FOR THIS MEETING

Cllr Ms B Laxton : Item 10 – Sawston Scene Letter

3 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 23 February 2010 were read, confirmed and signed.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor Ms B Laxton and **SECONDED** by Councillor Miss S E Clarke to **ACCEPT** these minutes

VOTE: 10 FOR (UNANIMOUS)

4 MATTERS ARISING – New Information Only.

4 - Trees at Chapelfield Way

Clerk to contact Ms R Richardson, SCDC Trees Officer, to arrange some dates for her visit the Office to give Councillors an oversight of her role as Trees Officer. Dates to be taken to next Planning & Environment Committee Meeting for a decision to be made on suitable date and time.

12 – Water Hydrants

Clerk to contact the Cambridge Water Company regarding time line for repairs as it is fixed to a listed building and concern was expressed about the damage this might cause.

12 - Business Hours – Babraham Road Industrial Estate

Clerk to contact SCDC again giving the examples of the plans that do have time/delivery restrictions and ask them to investigate further.

5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND ASSOCIATED MATTERS

S/0239/10/F Installation of 3 Air Conditioning Units and Pipework at Frontier Silicon Ltd, Ashwell Point, Babraham Road for Frontier Silicon **SPC Comment: Support**
Vote: 9 For
1 no vote (SAH)

Propose to Support by Councillor N Thomas and **Seconded** by Councillor Ms B Laxton

6 PLANNING DECISIONS

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor Miss S E Clarke and **SECONDED** by Councillor E C Murray to **ACCEPT** these but would like it minuted that the Parish Council are disappointed that permission was granted for an extension at 2 Hillside when the Parish Council did not support this application due to overdevelopment and out of character with other houses in the street. These were accepted by all Committee members

VOTE: 6 FOR : 3 ABSTENTIONS : 1 no vote (SAH)

7 NOTICEBOARD – SELSINGEN WAY

It was discussed and **PROPOSED** by Councillor E C Murray and **SECONDED** by Councillor Ms B Laxton that if we do not see any plans by the next Full Council Meeting then it would be an Agenda item on the following Planning & Environment Committee Meeting for the Parish Council to take forward.

VOTE: 9 FOR : 1 no vote (SAH)

8 FLAG POLE

It was discussed that the Parish Council already have two flag poles that could be used and as we do not need planning permission the Clerk would ask Mr A R Poole to erect one outside the Parish Council Office.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor W A Fell and **SECONDED** by Councillor Mrs J G A Smith that the other flag pole would be an Agenda item for the Annual Parish Meeting where it could be discussed with the public of where they think the other pole should be sited.

VOTE: 10 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

9 TREES – ORCHARD PARK

It was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** by Councillor J W D Reynolds and **SECONDED** by Councillor Mrs J G A Smith that the Clerk contacts Haydens, who carried out the tree survey, to ask for a quotation for them to survey the trees behind Skiver Close in Orchard Park regarding the safety of the trees and also report if they are growing out of control. Clerk also to ask Mr P Jackson at Scotsdales Garden centre if he could recommend a local company to survey the trees as another option.

Clerk to write to both residents to explain that we are looking into the issues raised by them and are seeking advisement and will contact them at a later date to advise of the outcome.

VOTE: 10 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

10 SAWSTON SCENE LETTER – Councillor Ms B Laxton declared an interest

The anniversary picnic was discussed and the Committee was advised that Cambridgeshire County Council would prefer the Parish Council to obtain the required licence on behalf of Sawston Scene.

The Clerk to contact the Cambridgeshire County Council to question why the Parish Council would need to obtain the licence and why the licence cannot be given direct to Sawston Scene, exact details of what the licence entails and also to check if there is any time constraints about obtaining the licence.

11 SPICER’S FOOTPATH ACCESS

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor N Thomas and **SECONDED** by Councillor Ms B Laxton that the Clerk writes to Spicers to ask if there would be an alternative area on Spicers site that the public would be able to park as the previous area was too dangerous due to the amount of traffic/HGV’s passing through to the site.

VOTE: 10 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

12 CORRESPONDENCE

SCDC – email from Mr A Grimmer re trees	Noted
SCDC – Babraham Road Industrial Estate – business hours	Noted
Sawston Garden Club – Signpost to Chapelfield Community Centre	Proposed by Councillor Ms B Laxton and Seconded by Councillor N Thomas that the Clerk writes to Sawston Garden Club advising them they need to contact SCDC regarding roadside signs as it is under the jurisdiction of the district council. Vote: 10 For (Unanimous)
SCDC – Community Clear Ups	Noted
C J Pryor (Plant) Limited – Dernford Reservoir	Clerk to contact C Y Pryor (Plant) Limited with the dates the Councillors could attend

13 COUNCILLORS ISSUES

Councillor D J Roberts

It was **AGREED** to send Councillor D J Roberts a ‘get well card’ and some fruit whilst he is in hospital.

Black Bull – damaged wall

The Clerk informed the Councillors that she had been in contact with SCDC who is going to investigate the property as they were under the impression this had been repaired.

Cemetery Sign

It was reported that the cemetery sign had been vandalised. Clerk to speak to Mr A R Poole to see if he could make repairs.

Potholes

Clerk to report to Cambridgeshire County Council Highways the potholes outside St Mary's Church in Church Lane as the road is not very well lit and this could pose a danger to motorists and cyclists.

Sunrise Service

It was reported that the Free Church has put up signs regarding the Easter Morning Sunrise Service on Spicers Sports Ground, but there was no mention of 'no dogs allowed' which was one of the conditions when the Parish Council agreed the Church could use the Sports Ground. Clerk to speak to Reverend B Waldron to remind him that no dogs are allowed on Spicers Sports Ground.

14 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

None

Meeting closed at 9.00pm