

# SAWSTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES     PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

27 July 2010

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

Snr Asst. Clerk: Mrs G A Pack

Councillors

Mrs P J Awbery-Maskell

Dr D R Bard (arrived 7.33pm)

Miss S E Clarke

W A Fell

E C Murray

W N Reid

D J Roberts

Mrs J G A Smith

**1       APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies received from Councillors N Thomas, Ms B Laxton and J W D Reynolds.

**2       DECLARATION OF INTERESTS FOR THIS MEETING**

None

**3       MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 22 June 2010 were read, confirmed and signed.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor W N Reid and **SECONDED** by Councillor Mrs P J Awbery-Maskell to **ACCEPT** these minutes

**VOTE:**        **9 FOR**        :        **UNANIMOUS**

**4       MATTERS ARISING – New Information Only.**

**Fly-posting**

It was reported that some posters were still present in the village.

**Fire Engine Shed**

This matter was brought up again but reported it is still in hand and that CCC is dealing with this as it is a Highways issue. As this has been an issue for many months it was **AGREED** that the Clerk invites the Enforcement Officer at SCDC to the next Planning & Environment Committee Meeting to be held on Tuesday 28 September 2010 to explain and discuss the matter further in order to come to a satisfactory conclusion. Whilst at the meeting to also discuss the large notice board placed by Spicers on the Sawston bypass.

**5       PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND ASSOCIATED MATTERS**

S1117/10F	Conservatory at 60 Mill Lane for Mr & Mrs Dockerill	<b>SPC Comment: Support</b> <b>Vote: 7 For</b> <b>2 no votes</b> <b>(DRB : SAH)</b>
	<i><b>Proposed</b></i> by Councillor Miss S E Clarke and <i><b>Seconded</b></i> by Councillor Mrs J G A Smith	

## ASSOCIATED MATTERS

### Sale of John Falkner School

Mr T Phillips had previously expressed concern about the green in front of the school as he was lead to believe it would be kept for community use.

After discussions it was **AGREED** that this was the case but could possibly be fenced off by the purchaser and although would still be used as a green space, it would not bet for village use.

It was **AGREED** that Mr C Wilson be contacted to ask for clarification of the green as it is the Parish Council view it must be kept as a green space for use for the entire village.

### New Coffee Shop

Concerns were raised about disabled access now that the French doors have been installed as there presently seems to be a deep step from the pavement into the actual coffee shop

## 6 PLANNING DECISIONS

These were accepted by the Committee

## 7 PUBLIC NOTICEBOARDS

Councillor Mrs S A Hatton reported that a free standing noticeboard can go ahead without planning permission providing no commercial advertisements are displayed. Gravelles/Budgens will monitor the noticeboard as agreed previously but to decide exactly what is required it was **AGREED** to take this issue back to the next Full Parish Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday 14 September 2010 for a final decision.

After much discussion regarding more noticeboards in the village it was **PROPOSED** by Councillor W A Fell and **SECONDED** by Councillor W N Reid to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council that as we have several sites around the village as follows it would not be necessary to provide additional noticeboards.

### Noticeboards where village events are regularly displayed

Gravelles/Budgens wall : Inside Gravelles/Budgens

Library

Inside Church Hall : Outside Church Hall (coming soon)

WI board next to North's Bakers

Sawston Nursery

Post Office (small charge)

Falkner Stores

### Shops and businesses regularly displaying posters in windows

Select & Save

Olivers

Mary's Greengrocers

Smart Dry Cleaners  
MICA Hardware  
Brown's Barbers  
Sandcroft  
Searles (butcher)  
Adams Harrison

**VOTE: 9 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)**

**8 21A WOODLAND ROAD**

After much discussion and no conclusion reached it was **PROPOSED** by Councillor W N Reid and **SECONDED** by Dr D R Bard to defer this matter to the next Full Parish Council meeting to be held on Tuesday 14 September 2010 when, hopefully, more response will be received in the Office to allow a decision to be reached.

**VOTE: 8 FOR : 1 AGAINST**

**9 PUBLIC CONVENIENCE SIGNS**

Councillor E C Murray explained he had spoken to Mr M Cooper at CCC Highways who advised that it would not be practical to sign post the toilet at the Office as it is only open for a limited time (i.e. only when the Office itself is open - Monday to Friday 8.30am – 1.00pm).

It was **AGREED** that the Clerk write to Mr M Cooper asking for him to put in writing the reasons why it is not practical to have toilet signs in the village.

**10 CORRESPONDENCE**

**None**

**11 COUNCILLORS ISSUES**

**The Chestnuts**

Councillor Miss S E Clarke reported that The Chestnuts in Mill Lane had been visited by SCDC Enforcement Officer who advised he had contacted the owner regarding the unsightly fly-tipping. The owner has agreed to remove the rubbish and to erect a new fence to stop any future fly-tipping occurring.

**Cambridge Road Bus Stop**

Councillor E C Murray reported that the seats would be replaced in the bus stop on Cambridge Road on Thursday 29 July 2010.

**The Queens Head Public House**

Concern was expressed regarding the part demolition of the above, but the Committee was advised that Planning Permission had been granted and that the SCDC Conservation Officer was aware of the demolition taking place. Concern was still expressed that the demolition may cause a weakness in the remaining structure.

**Boundary Fence at The Bellbird Primary School**

As the school is owned by CCC it was suggested that Councillor A G Orgee is contacted to clarify the fence boundary, as it appears that the walnut trees are now inside the curtilage of the school grounds.

### **Development – Wakelin Avenue**

It was reported that a bungalow in Wakelin Avenue is being completely refurbished with the occupiers of the bungalow living in a caravan in the adjoining lay-by whilst the work is being carried out. It was also reported that a supply of electricity was connected to the caravan. Councillor Mrs S A Hatton agreed to check legalities with Mr C Bradley at SCDC.

### **King's Head/Link Road corner**

It was reported that this area constantly floods across the road when subjected to a downpour. It was suggested that Mr M Cooper of CCC Highways be contacted.

### **Sewage Plant – Huckeridge Hill**

It was **AGREED** to write to Anglian Water to enquire and ask for details of the spillage that occurred recently on their premises at Huckeridge Hill.

### **Hanging Baskets**

It was reported that several parishioners had commented on how lovely and colourful the hanging baskets in the High Street were this year.

### **Catley's Walk**

It was confirmed that the public enquiry for Catley's Walk was taking place on 30 August 2010 – any objections need to be in writing to the CCC by this date. It was **AGREED** that the Chairman would write a letter to CCC.

### **Cherry Trees**

Clerk to contact Mrs R Richardson, Trees Officers for SCDC, to ascertain the ownership of the Cherry Trees on the triangle piece of land by 42 and 44 The Green Road.

## **12 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA**

None

**Meeting closed at 8.47pm**