



MELTON PARISH COUNCIL



MPC(10)M03

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Melton Parish Council on Thursday 11th March 2010 commencing at 19:00 in The Lindos Centre Main Hall Saddlemakers Lane Melton IP12 1PP.

Present:

Cllr Mr PJ Brockett (Chairman)
Cllr Mr GK Butterwick
Cllr Mrs JEJ Eckersley

Cllr Mrs EJJ Hilson
Cllr Miss LS Leonard
Cllr Mr HM Needham

In Attendance:

PCSO 3105 Marie Smith Woodbridge SNT [to item 49.01 only]
Mrs B Guy Resident
Mr MJ Green Clerk to Melton Parish Council

10.45 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR AND CONSENT TO ANY ABSENCE

10.45.01 Cllr Mrs BK Abbott - medical

10.45.02 Cllr Mrs ME Addington – previous long standing engagement

10.45.03 Cllr Miss EA Barrington - medical

10.45.04 Cllr Mr MN Bond – other Public Duties

10.45.05 Cllr Miss KS Martin – Holiday

10.45.06 Cllr Mr MW Sherwen

Council considered these apologies and **it was RESOLVED** to accept these apologies and consent to the absences.

Proposed by: Cllr Butterwick **Seconded by:** Cllr Eckersley.

10.45.07 Cllr Mr J Bidwell – attending SCDC meeting

Council received and noted this apology.

10.46 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST WITH REGARD TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA AND ADDITIONS TO THE REGISTER

There were no declarations of interest or additions to the register.

The clerk confirmed that a revised register of interest from Cllr KG Butterwick advised under item 23.01 of the meeting on 11th February 2010 had been forwarded to SCDC Monitoring Officer.

10.47 STANDING ORDER 24 - WRITTEN QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

It was noted that there have been no written questions received.

10.48 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

10.48.01 To receive representations from Councillors who have declared a prejudicial interest

There were no representations from councillors.

10.48.02 To receive representations from members of the public in respect of items on the agenda only

There were no representations from members of the public in respect of items on the agenda.

It was RESOLVED to lift standing orders.

10.49 OPEN FORUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO TALK TO COUNCILLORS AND TO DISCUSS VILLAGE MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC OR COUNCILLORS

10.49.01 SNT Report

PCSO Marie Smith was welcomed to the meeting and thanked for giving of her time. A report to Melton Parish Council had been prepared and was presented to council by PCSO Smith.

A copy of the report was provided for circulation to all councillors.

It was also confirmed that A/Inspector Andy Buck would be meeting with council representatives to discuss the issues raised by council in response to the SALC initiative.

10.49.02 Parking Concerns in Station Road

Council was informed that the Horse & Groom car park had been made available to parishioners attending St Andrew's Church but with the impending sale this will cease and will add to difficulties of parking in Station Road particularly during Sunday services.

10.49.03 Lights in Footpath on Playing Field

Concern has once more been expressed about the intensity of the lights. It was again pointed out that they are standard economy bulbs specified for the purpose and any less brightness may not serve the purpose for which they were intended. A check is kept on the time during which they are switched on.

10.49.04 Gritting of Melton Grange Estate

Concern expressed about the problems during the adverse weather but it was noted that Cllr Bond had raised the matter of gritting in general with SCC Highways.

10.49.05 Letter from Resident

A letter raising a number of concerns was tabled at the meeting as the resident was unable to attend in person. A number of the issues have been attended to or are being dealt with but it was agreed to place the matters before the recreation committee for further consideration at its meeting on March 29th, although one related to gritting [see 10.49.04 above], another had already been dealt with and another was outside the parish.

10.50 TO RECEIVE THE COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

Paper MPC(10)P50 previously circulated was received and noted.

The Clerk had been asked by Cllr Abbott in her absence to record the appreciation felt by Melton Park Residents to Cllr Bond for all his efforts to bring about a solution to the speeding along St Audry's Park Road and issues to do with the Bowls Club.

10.51 TO RECEIVE THE DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

Paper MPC(10)P51 enclosed previously circulated was received and noted.

It was **RESOLVED** to reinstate standing orders.

10.52 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 11TH FEBRUARY 2010

It was **RESOLVED** that minutes MPC(10)M02 previously circulated be received, noted and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

Proposed by: Cllr Leonard **Seconded by:** Cllr Hilson.

10.53 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER REPORTS AND MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND SUB COMMITTEES

10.53.01 Planning Committee

(a) Meeting held on 22nd February 2010

It was **RESOLVED** that minutes PLA(10)M02 previously circulated be received and noted.

Proposed by: Cllr Butterwick **Seconded by:** Cllr Eckersley

(b) Naming for terrace of 4 dwellings, garages rear of 15-35 St Andrews Place, Melton

Further consideration was given to a name for the above development.

It was **RESOLVED** to recommend to SCDC that the development be named EBBS MEWS.

Proposed by: Cllr Brockett **Seconded by:** Cllr Leonard.

It was noted that Private 16326 Charles Frank EBBS was 2nd Battalion Northampton Regiment who was killed in action in France & Flanders on 31st March 1918. He has no known grave but is commemorated with honour on the Pozieres Memorial. Pte Ebbs was born in Melton and enlisted in Peterborough.

10.53.02 Employment Committee 11th March 2010

It was noted that this meeting was cancelled due to the lack of substantive business to transact.

10.54 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

10.54.01 Burness Parish Room Management Committee

It was noted that Tony Dunford has agreed to be the representative of Melton Parish Council on the Burness Parish Room Management Committee.

10.54.02 Melton Trust

The Parish Council appointees had no matters to report.

10.54.03 Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) Tasking Group

(a) Tasking Meeting 18th February 2010

Agenda and papers for meeting including minutes of the Community Panel Meeting on 11/02/2010 previously circulated as paper MPC(10)P54.04 were received and noted.

The following notes were provided by Cllr Martin in her absence:

- (i) No further dog attacks had taken place
- (ii) A new manager had been appointed at Rochford House and that temporary CCTV was being used to combat ASB
- (iii) Traffic issues at Sutton Heath were being addressed by speeding enforcement
- (iv) New priorities include ASB in Bredfield Road, Rochford House and neighbour disputes in Campsea Ashe.
- (v) Burglaries in Melton Ufford and Rendlesham were being targeted
- (vi) 27/2/2010 – mobile police station in Woodbridge focussing on burglaries
- (vii) Andy Buck was acting inspector
- (viii) Guy Richardson SCDC crime prevention officer retires on 31/3/2010

(b) Tasking Meeting 13th January 2010

Minutes of the tasking meeting held on 13th January 2010 previously circulated to councillors only were received and noted.

10.54.04 Suffolk Association of Local Councils

The Chairman who had attended the Area meeting on March 8th and whose notes of the meeting were circulated as Paper MPC(10)P54.04(a) reported that the meeting was primarily taken up by a presentation by members of the Sizewell Liaison Group.

The quarterly report of The Suffolk Coasts and Heaths at November 2009 was provided and will be circulated to all councillors.

10.54.05 Transport

It was noted that improvements to service 165 come into operation on 28th March 2010 providing an hourly direct service from Ipswich to Aldeburgh.

10.55 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER REPORTS FROM WORKING GROUPS

10.55.01 New Development

Cllr Butterwick advised the meeting that the officers had been given authority to approve the Girdlestone development subject to the developers signing a Section 106 agreement. This would be a legally binding agreement that would include meaningful engagement with the community, SCC Highways, Network Road and SCDC with Cllrs Bidwell and Bond also involved.

Consideration is still being given by GAG to see if further legal opposition can be made. Council expressed its sincere thanks to Cllr Butterwick for all his hard work in carrying forward the views of the community in the deliberations.

- 10.55.02 Pavilion**
Cllr Butterwick to follow up with Deben Associates the submission of the planning application.
There had also been indication from SALC that planning permission may not be a requirement in respect of our proposals.
- 10.56 TO CONSIDER ANY MATTERS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE CONTAINED IN THE WEEKLY REPORTS CIRCULATED TO COUNCILLORS**
The following matters were noted
- 10.56.01 Melton Park Boundary Review**
Formal notification of the revised boundary encompassing all the properties in Melton Parish with effect from 01/04/2010 had been received. Residents in Melton Park had also been so advised.
- 10.56.02 Complaints of Litter in The Street Melton**
Councillors expressed concern as to the amount of litter that was seen in the area of McColls.
- 10.56.03 BMX Trail**
It was noted that much correspondence had been received expressing support for this although some was from non-residents of Melton
- 10.56.04 Faster Broadband**
Councillors were urged to write to EEDA as indicated by SALC expressing need for this in a particularly rural county'
- 10.57 TO RECEIVE THE MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT**
Paper MPC(10)P57 previously circulated was received and noted.
Cllr Needham questioned the increase in apparent budget overspend since December and the Clerk will meet with him to explain the changes.
- 10.58 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER RESOLUTIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE ORDER THAT THEY HAVE BEEN RECEIVED**
It was noted that there have been no resolutions received.
- 10.59 TO RECEIVE A PROGRESS REPORT ON ACTIONS TAKEN ON MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS NOT OTHERWISE ON THE AGENDA**
Paper MPC(10)P59 previously circulated was received and noted.
- 10.59.01 Item 09.216.02 Overhanging Vegetation**
It was noted that this matter had been resolved mainly by residents taking appropriate action.
- 10.59.02 Items 09.228.02/03 Melton Messenger**
It was noted that these matters were being resolved by a new editorial team and also by a consultation with readers on the frequency of production by the editorial team.
- 10.60 TO INVITE COUNCILLORS TO JOIN AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING WORKING GROUP – DEFERRED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**
The Planning Committee resolved to set up a working group to commence discussions with the relevant bodies to identify the level of need for affordable housing together with potential sites at which it might be provided in accordance with the Village Plan Action Item 6.6.3.
The following councillors agreed to join the working group:
Cllr Brockett
Cllr Butterwick
Cllr Needham
- 10.61 TO CO-OPT A COUNCILLOR TO FILL THE CASUAL VACANCY FOR PARISH COUNCILLOR**
As no-one had presented themselves to the meeting for consideration this item was deferred to the April meeting.

10.62 TO CONSIDER REQUEST FROM CHRIS CHAPPELL TO PLACE OUTDOOR CATERING UNIT ON THE CAR PARK ON MELTON PLAYING FIELD FOR SPORTING EVENTS ON A SUNDAY MORNING.

Unsolicited email request received.

WTYFC have confirmed that this is not an initiative of theirs and they are not in favour for the following reasons:

- They provide sweets and tea/coffee on a Sunday when matches are played as a fund- raiser
- Valuable car parking space would be taken up and likely to cause more on road parking issues

After careful consideration **it was RESOLVED** not to agree to this request.

Proposed by: Cllr Eckersley

Seconded by: Cllr Leonard

10.63 CHAIRMAN'S URGENT BUSINESS

10.63.01 Beating the Bounds

It was noted that this would take place on Sunday 9th May 2010 and all councillors are invited to attend the exchange of greeting at 3.45 p.m. at the SCDC Car Park and to join Woodbridge Town Mayor and party for tea at the Shire Hall at 4.30 p.m. Names of those attending to the Clerk ASAP.

10.63.02 County Councillor Locality Budget

The meeting was advised that Cllr Bond had allocated the remainder of his locality budget [£841.00] to Melton Primary School for their community room project.

10.63.03 Chairmanship

Cllr Brockett advised the council of his intention not to seek re-election as Chairman in May 2010.

10.64 DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

10.64.01 Parish Council

Thursday 8th April 2010 in the Lindos Centre Main Hall commencing at 19:00

10.64.02 Annual Parish Meeting

Thursday 29th April 2010 in the Lindos Centre Main Hall commencing at 19:00

10.64.03 Planning Committee

It was noted that the meeting on 22nd March 2010 will commence at 20:00 and not 19:00

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20:45

Signed: _____

Date: _____