

# MELTON CONSTABLE PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the monthly meeting held at the Country Club at 7.30 p.m. Tuesday  
8th**

**February 2005**

Cllrs. present: -

Cllr. D. Ward, Cllr. Mrs.A. Hinde. Cllr. Mrs. P. Stocking, Cllr Loynes, (Chair). Cllr. Mrs. J. Heal. Cllr. Mrs. H. Bowes.

Member of Public present Mr. C. Greenwood, Mrs. J Ward.

## **8/2/1 Minutes**

The minutes of the January meeting were unanimously passed as a true record on a proposition by Cllr. Mrs. Stocking seconded by Cllr. Mrs. Bowes

## **8/2/2 Matters arising.**

The Clerk reported that he had contacted the DC re a cardboard bank and was told that these were not provided as purely a cardboard bank but that the DC were trialing another type of receptacle for cardboard and plastic bag rubbish which tended to get left around bottle banks.

Cllr. Mrs. Heal said that her neighbour had offered a dummy video camera which might be set up to 'monitor ' the site. It was agreed that Cllr Mrs Heal should thank her neighbour for the offer and that the Clerk would look at the site to see where and if it could be mounted.

There had been no reply from the DC regarding the Lomax site and the current plans for increasing the number of houses. The Clerk had emailed the planning office twice concerning the matter.

It was agreed that the possible renovation of the steps and gate to the old railway station should be put on 'hold' as this was not on Council owned land and it would be difficult to justify any expenditure on this.

The Clerk reported that the maintenance of the cast iron village signs was the responsibility of the Parish Council.

## **8/2/3 Councillors Reports**

Churchyard.

Cllr. Mrs. Heal said that the Churchyard was fine. But that a notice should go in the Parish news letter asking that people placed any rubbish such as spent flowers etc behind the old church where there was an established area.

South Side.

Cllr. Loynes said that he was pleased to see that the illegally parked car had now been moved.

Recreation Field

Cllr. Mrs. Stocking said that she and her husband the Clerk had cleared up all the dog waste in bags which had been thrown into the hedge before the waste bin had been fixed at the Meadow Lane entrance.

The moles situation was, however much worse, Clerk to contact Mr. Longhorn by letter.

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Bus Shelter site.

This was tidy but the shelter needed sweeping out and there was some broken glass around the bottle banks.

Play Area,

Cllr. Miss Hinde had collected the free trees applied for last year and had left them with the Clerk who will plant them temporarily in his garden until a site in the village is identified.

North Side

Cllr. Mrs. Bowes said that the allotments and the north side of the village were looking good but that the building rubble was still on Mr. Kendal's allotment. The Clerk to ask Mr. Kendal to remove it as soon as possible. There were also 2 damaged street lights.

Cllr. Mrs. Bowes also reported on her visit to the recycling plant. She said that this was most illuminating and that the DC should issue better guidelines on what could be placed in the recycling bin and, more importantly what should not be. Clerk will contact Cllr. Combe to pass this on.

#### **8/2/4 Car Parking Scheme**

The Clerk to contact NCS to progress the estimate on this.

#### **8/2/5 Planning Matters**

The Council studied and considered the following planning applications:-

1. 299950025 Erection and replacement of Two Storey Annex at Lady's Wood Hindolveston. The Council agreed on a proposition by Cllr. Mrs. Heal seconded by Cllr. Ward to offer no objection to this application.
2. 20050098 Erection of an industrial unit on Marriot Way Melton Constable. For Morrissey Builders. The Council agreed on a proposition by Cllr. Loynes seconded by Cllr. Ward to support this application.

#### **8/2/6 Street Lighting**

The Clerk reported that yet another street light was broken / had been damaged and that this seemed to be becoming a regular thing recently and was becoming very expensive. It was agreed that the clerk should ask McAlpine Services to conduct a full survey of all the lights and provide a report from which the Council could decide on any future action.

#### **8/2/7 Parish Notice Board & Sign**

The Clerk, Chair and Mr. Veary had erected the Notice Board frame on the new site and the site had been cleared. It was agreed that the Clerk, Chair and Mr. Veary should if possible, meet on Sunday 13th at 9.30 to place the board on the frame.

The village sign had now been taken down and because of the serious rot in this had been placed in the Clerk's garage to dry out and for the extent of the damage to be ascertained. The Clerk estimated that repairs would cost in the region of £100.00. It was

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agreed that the clerk should find out the approx price of a completely new sign and a decision could then be made as to which option the Council should take. It was also agreed that a notice should be placed on the sign post stating that the sign had been taken down for repair.

**8/2/8 Correspondence.**

There was no correspondence of note this month.

**8/2/9 Cheques for signature / approval**

Cheques were presented for signature / approval for the following:-  
MCCC £105.00, NNDC £58.05, McAlpine £88.13.

. These cheques were unanimously approved on a proposition by Cllr. Mrs, Bowes seconded by Cllr. Miss Hinde.

**8/2/10 Late Business**

Cllr. Ward mentioned that the roofing felt on the shed on the play area was in a poor state. It was agreed to ask Mr. Veary to look at this.

Cllr. Ward also asked that Highways be contacted regarding the height of the hedge in Astley terrace. The Clerk to look at this.

It was reported that there was a P. Registered untaxed car in Kitchener road.

Cllr. Mrs Stocking reported that she had heard from a group wishing to site wind turbines on the industrial estate and wishing to approach the Parish Council for approval. It was agreed that the council should not become involved in this.

**8/2/11 Public Forum**

Mr. Greenwood asked if it was possible for the Council to fix guttering on the Bus shelter. It was agreed that Mr. Veary be asked if he could do this and to provide an estimate for the same.

The meeting ended at 20.35 hrs.

Clerk.....

Chairman.....