

# **MELTON CONSTABLE PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the monthly meeting held at the Country Club at 7.30 p.m.  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2006**

Cllrs. present: - Cllr. D. Ward, Cllr. Mrs.A. Hinde, Cllr Mrs. P. Stocking, Cllr. Mrs. J. Heal ( Vice Chair), Cllr. Mrs. Bowes.

Apologies were accepted from Dist. Cllr. R. Combe. Cllr C. Scott

Members of Public present Mrs. J Ward, Mr. Q. Brown

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.30 p.m.

## **10/1/1 Minutes**

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These were unanimously passed as a true record on a proposition by Cllr. Mrs. Heal seconded by Cllr. Ms. Hinde.

## **10/1/2 Matters arising**

**Allotment Drain.** No progress had been made on this.

**Roundabout** The Clerk had still to have a site meeting with Mr. Morrisey concerning this. He would endeavour to pin Mr. Morrisey down in the near future.

**Great Dane** The Chair reported that this was still causing a problem despite the owners having been warned by the DC to keep it under control. The Clerk to contact the DC once more.

## **10/1/3 Allotments**

This matter was in response to queries concerning allotment holders who had moved to the new Hillside estate. After a short discussion it was agreed on a proposition by Cllr. Ms. Hinde seconded by Cllr. Mrs. Bowes that these people should be allowed to retain their plots. It was further agreed under the same proposition that plots should not be allocated to new people from there. This would be in line with the policy agreed many years ago for the Hillside bungalow estate.

## **10/1/4 Councillor's Reports**

### **Churchyard.**

Cllr. Mrs Heal reported that the churchyard was looking fine.

### **South Side.**

There was nothing, save the Great Dane, to report.

### **Bus Shelter Site**

Cllr. Ward said that this was looking fine apart from the excess bottles from Christmas.

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**Recreation Field**

Cllr. Mrs Stocking said there were still active moles. Mr. Longhorn was aware of the situation. Cllr. Mrs Stocking to obtain details of the School Mole control person.

**Play Area.**

Cllr. Miss Hinde reported that the Play Area was looking fine.

**North Side**

Cllr. Mrs Bowes said that she had noted a large metal cage on one of the allotments which was very high. The Clerk would look at this and write to the holders if necessary. There was also a good deal of litter on the eastern side.

**10/1/5 Dog waste Bins**

Members were in agreement that there did not appear to be a pressing need at present for dog waste bins in the alleyway adjacent to the allotments. Especially in view of the annual cost involved. It was agreed to monitor the situation and to renew the 'No Dogs' signs for the allotments and the "no Fouling" signs for the alleyways. Clerk to ask the DC if we could obtain some 'Official' signs such as those on the Rec.

**10/1/6 Wells Cottage Hospital**

Cllrs Mrs. Stocking and Mrs. Bowes had read the documentation and it seemed that the choice was between a Day centre run by the NHS, an independent scheme run by Wells Independent who would sell the services to the NHS or a completely independent operation.

There was some discussion on this and it was agreed that the second option seemed the most Viable.

**10/1/7 Bottle Bank Fence.**

There was some discussion on this and it agreed to rescind the decision to erect a fence at this time as it was agreed that although it was desirable to screen the banks it was very likely to encourage more fly tipping such as had been experienced lately.

It was unanimously agreed therefore on a special resolution tabled by Cllr. Loynes seconded by Cllr. Mrs Stocking that the Council rescind the decision of October 2005.

It was agreed that an alternative solution might be to plant some larger specimen trees to break up the line of the Banks. Cllrs. Mrs. Stocking & Mrs. Bowes to investigate the supply of trees and report back. Item to be placed on agenda for next month.

**10/1/8 Plans**

Plans were before the Council for the following:-  
01 20051937 PF Extension to house in Colville road.

The Council agreed to support this application.

**10/1/9 Correspondence**

There was no correspondence of note this month.

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**13/12/10 Cheques for signature / approval**

There were no payments to approve this month.

**13/12/11 Public Forum**

It was reported that there was a street light out in the alleyway to the east of Burgh Beck Road. The Clerk to report this for repair.

The Chair expressed his concern that no action seemed to have been taken to enforce the double yellow lines by our community policeman. The Clerk email him and if no response is forthcoming to write to his superiors.

The Clerk to Contact Jackie Howe over progress re the yellow lines opposite Grove Road.

There were further concerns over parking in the village in general.

Play Area Gates.

It had been reported that the gates to the north of the play area had not been opened recently. It was explained that this was because the millennium garden area had been very wet and that in the absence of any complaints this did not seem to be a problem.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 20.30 hours.

Clerk.....

Chairman.....