

MELTON CONSTABLE PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES of the meeting of Melton Constable Parish Council held on Tuesday 8th December 2009, 7.30pm at The Country Club.

Present: A.Loynes Chair
 S.Unsworth
 H.Bowes
 M.Hayes
 J.Heal
 P.Stocking
 C.Velthaus

 K.Uglow Clerk

Also present R.Combe – District Councillor
Apologies from R.Wright – County Councillor

1102 To Consider Apologies for Absence
No apologies received

1103 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10th November 2009
Resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the as true and accurate record of the meeting

1104 To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda
The Chairman informed the meeting that dispensations had been granted by NNDC to five Councillors re the Jewel Close planning application.
No other declarations of interest were received

1105 Matters for Report

- a) Goalpost nets done
- b) Gate at rear of Burgh Beck Road – collected and help available to put up
- c) Solar Lighting Project – under construction
- d) Old brick building Burgh Beck Road – nothing further to report
- e) Colville Road Footway – reported that new plan is for 14 trees with a start date for the project in January 2010 – some trees cannot be planted due to services, entrances, telephone wires and blocking views – after 5 years maintenance would be 1-2 days per annum – R.Wright not happy with proposals
- f) Play Area – reported that work needs to be done
- g) Railway Project – situation with Preva ongoing
- h) EDF underground cables proposal – reported that establishment of ownership proving difficult

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1106 Public Participation

Resolved to suspend the meeting to allow the public to inform the meeting

- Report from Holt SNT informing meeting that Sgt. Alby has joined the team – the team are building a picture of activities within Melton Constable, gaining evidence with a view to taking enforcement action – reported that untaxed vehicles will be clamped by DVLA and crushed if necessary – reported on fraudulent activity in respect of leasing of property.
- R.Combe reported that there would be more money available for composting
- D.King questioned the idea of moving the railway arch to the war memorial site and as an adjacent landowner does not want it there or to have to look at it
- Objections were raised in relation to the planning application for Jewel Close in that it was believed to be part of a wider scheme and the loss of amenities to Bridge Close. A member of the public was warned by the Chair for trying to introduce plans that were not officially part of the planning application as received by the Council by NNDC
- Questions were raised with regard to the new solar lights and how they would work – it was explained that the sensors would be set to accommodate what residents wanted and would provide between 3-6 hours light per night if running constantly. It was explained that these light were costing the parish nothing and if the parish had to repair the old ones that were in a bad state of repair it would add a 5 figure sum to the annual precept.

1107 Members Reports

Churchyard

Nothing to report

South Side

No report available

Bus Shelter Site

Reported that rubbish had been cleared by NNDC and a new bin put in place

Recreation Field

Reported concern of the ivy overhanging the bench

North Side

Nothing to report

Play Area

Reported that the tree that had fallen onto the adventure area had been cleared by the adjacent landowner – bins need to be emptied – handyman not well

Allotments

Reported that decision for a tenant to quit was being confirmed – 2 more allotment may be coming available once current tenant confirms situation

Holt SNT

Nothing to report – next meeting in January 2010

Holt Area Partnership

Meeting attended by Cllr A.Loynes and H.Bowes – reported that L.Williamson appointed as new area coordinator – would invite to a future council meeting – explained that without the Holt Area Partnership funding would not have been gained for the solar lighting

Clear felling of trees in the Play Area

It was reported that the trees in question had weaknesses in them and that clear-felling was the best solution

Resolved to agenda for the next meeting in order to confirm with NNDC that clear - felling was permitted

Litter problem in Melton Constable

Reported that Mr and Mrs Burkenshaw were picking litter up every day – photographs shown to the council of problems – explained that fixed penalties of £80 could be issued by authorities for littering

Resolved to have posters placed in all areas and to accept the offer from the Police to produce leaflets in a number of languages

Future of the Play Area

Cllr M.Hayes suggested that a general consultation was needed on the future to find out ideas, to look at fund raising and volunteers

Resolved to set up a sub-committee – Cllr M.Hayes to chair and to report to the council

Splitting of Allotments

Cllr S.Unsworth asked for the needs of a prospective tenant in terms of family to be taken into consideration

Resolved to keep on agenda as and when allotments became available

North Norfolk Planning Meeting

Reported that when planning applications are considered by the planning authority they can only consider the plans as presented, can only object on material considerations and cannot consider any non-planning issues

Removal of Asbestos from Allotments

Resolved to accept Quote 1 from east Coast Insulations

1108 Planning Applications

Planning Application PF/09/1071 – Formation of revised parking area and access road – Jewel Close – Briston

Resolved to object on grounds of loss of amenity space and impact of drainage on lower lying land

Planning Application PF/09/0988 – Erection of general purpose agricultural building – Land off Melton Road, Melton Constable – G W Harrold & Partners

Resolved no objection or comment

Enertag UK – Wind Turbines on a site to the west of Guestwick

Resolved no comment at this stage

Decision Notice re planning application by Stody Estate on land adjacent to Breck Farm

Decision Notice received

1109 To approve accounts for payment

Resolved to approve the following payments

Cheque No	Payee	Item	Amount
101379	MHB Services	Lighting Contract	52.84
101380	Clerks Salary	Clerks Salary - Tax	1028.04
101381	HM Revenue & Customs	Tax Clerks Salary	257.01
101382	NNDC	Trade waste Sacks	59.80
101383	MCCC	Hall Hire	65.63
101384	Mazars	External Audit	155.25
		Total	1618.57

1110 Date of next meeting

Resolved that the date of the next monthly meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 12th January 2010 at 7.30pm at the Country Club

The meeting closed at 8.55pm

Clerk..... Chair.....

Dated.....

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