

COTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Coton Parish Council Meeting

Held on Tuesday April 11th 2006 in the W.I. Hall, High Street,
Commencing at 7.00pm.

Members present: Messrs. G. Kinsey, (Vice-Chairman) J. Lewis, R. Chandler, Mesdames, B. Smart, P. Brown, R. Darling, Dr W. Connolley, Dr N. Baumgarten, and Mrs D. Wilson (Clerk)

No members of the public wished to speak in the Open Session.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Mr G. Diplock (wife sick)

2. APPROVING AND SIGNING THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON MARCH 14TH 2006

The Minutes of the last meeting held as above were signed with the following amendments: 5(b) add after “reported” “he had received no calls and”, and 6(g) change “Mr Chandler” to “Mr Bott”_ Add after “Parish Council” “if concerned”. This was proposed, seconded and agreed.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING for information only.

a) Car Parking – Whitwell Way/Silverdale Avenue Nothing to report.

4. MEMBERS’ DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST for items on the agenda.

Mr Chandler – item 12(a,b,c,d,e,)

5. TO CONSIDER OTHER MATTERS

a) Benny’s Way Play Area – Weekly Inspection Reports from Book No problems – Book seen and signed.

b) Speed Checks in Village PC Misik reported when laser gun is repaired he will carry out some more speed checks.

c) New Noticeboard – Leave on Agenda.

d) Overhanging Shrubs Still to be done in High Street.

e) Coton Countryside Reserve - See under 6(a) & (b)

f) Pavements - Clerk had e-mailed Highways Division but nothing further.

- g) Proposal to Change Election Times for SCDC Officers It was proposed, seconded and agreed to stick with no change – reason being political awareness and continuity.
- h) Cambridge and Peterborough Mineral and Waste Development Plan - no comments.
- i) Applying for Planning Permission Hall, It was proposed, seconded and agreed with 5 for and 3 abstentions to apply for planning permission for Village Hall.
- j) Seat on Highway Outside Plough Clerk to find out if The Plough still want the seat – if not Parish Council would have it to go on either Recreation Ground or Benny’s Way Play Area.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Mr & Mrs Clark, Jonathan Turner and Karen Wheatley (Grantchester Road) – Re Wildlife Reserve – Permissive Path. Objecting to permissive path running beside their property. Carolin Gohler has met with some of the nearby residents and is looking into the matter. It was proposed seconded and agreed that Clerk advise them the Council will wait until Ms Gohler has come back to them and if not acceptable to their mutual satisfaction they come back to the Council again.
- b) Mr & Mrs Majerus – Wildlife Reserve – Objections to Permissive Path See (a) above.
- c) SCDC – Biodiversity Strategy – No Comments
- d) Local Development Framework – Objection Sites Clerk to send objections by Parish Council – Encroachment of Cambridge into Coton Parish and Green Belt.
- e) County Council – Repair to Cambridge Road – Madingley – Information re road closure.
- f) Village Maintenance Grant This year’s grant will be £352.08
- g) DEFRA – Clean Neighbourhood & Environment Act 2005 – Enforcement. Clerk to send for a copy.
- h) Nigel Woodcock – Speed Limit – The Footpath Send copy of his letter to County Council, Highways.
Piece to be put in Community News with comment “future offenders will be reported to police.
Report to Community Policeman.
Inform Mr Woodcock.

- i) Coton Youth Club – Request for Donation It was proposed, seconded and agreed to donate £100 to the Youth Club.
- i) County Council – A Rights of Way Improvement Plan for Cambridgeshire
Noted
- j) SCDC – Standards Committee – Appointment of Parish Council Members
Noted.
- k) CALC –Bulletins Dec 2005, Jan 2006, Feb 2006, plus Literature Noted.
- l) County Council – Public Rights of Way – Missing Links Noted
- m) SCDC – Race Equality Scheme Noted
- n) County Council – New Mobile Library Routes Noted.
- o) SCDC – Exception Site at Silverdale Close, Coton Noted
- p) CALC – Capping Proposals of South Cambridgeshire District Council Noted
- q) Parish Paths Partnership News Bulletin 2005 Noted
- r) Local Council Review Mar 2006 noted.
- s) The Standards Board of England – Town and Parish Standard: 06 Noted
- t) County County Council – Improving Traffic and Travel in Cambridge City Centre Noted

7. PARISH PLAN – Update - At Annual Parish Meeting following.

8. TO CONSIDER ANY PLANNING APPLICATIONS

S/0609/06/F Mrs M.J. Wallis, Coton Court, Madaingley Road, Coton – Garden Room. It was proposed, seconded and agreed with 3 for and 5 abstentions to approve the application.

9. FOOTPATH REPORT from Mrs Smart

All paths in good condition. Grant not yet received. Kissing gates still unsatisfactory and needing work.

10. ALLOTMENTS

- a) Vacant Allotments Mr Bradford still not ploughed vacant allotments. Clerk to see Mr Bradford. 2 new people need allotments made ready. If Mr Bradford not willing to do them, allotments to be offered with year's free rent.

- b) Triangle Deed. Mr Bramley had written stating he did not think it appropriate to include clause about mowing of triangle in the deed. Agreed it be signed as it stands.

11. ACCOUNTS

The following accounts were approved for payment. This was proposed, seconded and agreed.

Mrs D. Wilson	Salary	£678.50 (£238.50 from 05/06)
K-Dec	Pavilion work	£2,350.00
Iain Hyson	Footpath Work	450.00
Coton Youth Club	Donation	100.00

12. RECREATION GROUND

- a) Pavilion Update An update was given on pavilion work. Building Control had signed off all work.
- b) Car Park – Update Update was given on Car Park.
- c) Shed Shed will go after the next two games.
- d) Pavilion Insurance Form completed and sent off.
- e) Opening Party – Insurance and Update Insurance sorted and tickets selling.
- f) Clearing of Ditch Mr Buchan said quote includes disposing of spoil. It was agreed to go ahead with work.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Annual Meeting of the Parish Council May 23rd 2006

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS for information and next agenda only.

Mrs Darling said a letter would be coming from the Church requesting to use the Village Green to serve cream teas in June.

MEETING CLOSED AT 8.05PM