

# COTON PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF COTON PARISH COUNCIL

Held on Wednesday November 2<sup>nd</sup> 2005 in the W.I. Hall, High Street

Commencing at 7.00pm

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

There were no members of the public present.

### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Dr Baumgarten had advised Clerk she would be late.

### 2. APPROVING AND SIGNING THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>, OCTOBER 6<sup>TH</sup> AND OCTOBER 19<sup>TH</sup> 2005

The Minutes of the meeting held on September 27<sup>th</sup> 2005 were agreed and signed – this was proposed by Mr Kinsey and seconded by Mrs Darling.

The Minutes of the meeting held on October 6<sup>th</sup> 2005 were agreed and signed – this was proposed by Mr Kinsey and seconded by Mr Lewis.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on October 19<sup>th</sup> 2005 were confirmed and signed. This was proposed by Mr Kinsey and seconded by Dr Connolley.

### 3. MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST for items on the agenda.

Mr Chandler declared an interest on item 12(a) and (b).

### 4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

a) Nameplates – Brookfield Road and St Peter's Road Nothing further.

b) Verge Cut Now completed.

c) Concrete and Cones on Verge – Whitwell Way Verge now made up and concrete etc. Removed.

d) Granta Housing Letter sent – Nothing further.

Mr Diplock reported he had been contacted by SCDC and a meeting had been arranged for December 14<sup>th</sup> for SCDC, Granta Housing and Circle 33 representatives to attend and discuss their proposals for new dwellings at Silverdale Close and for Airey Housing.

### 5. TO CONSIDER OTHER MATTERS

a) Bennys Way Play Area – Inspection log book seen – Dr Connolley reported there are no problems at present.

- b) Bennys Way Play Area – Painting Horse Quote had been received from Mr Boatfield of £85.00. It was proposed by Mr Kinsey and seconded by Mrs Darling that this be accepted. This was agreed. To ask for the painting to be done in the New Year because of weather.
- c) Car Parking – Whitwell Way/Silverdale Avenue Nothing from Mr Clark. It was reported that cars parking at the top of Silverdale Avenue are creating a dangerous situation. Clerk to write to the residents of the nearest houses asking them to park elsewhere. Clerk to also ask Community Policeman to check on this.
- d) Speed Checks in Village Letter received from the Community Sergeant stating that speed checks will be carried out and PC notified of results.
- e) Poplar Trees – Bennys Way Clerk to write to Mr Clarke’s superior asking for an answer to the PCs letters.
- f) New Noticeboard Mr Kinsey reported he had obtained an updated quotation. For next meeting.
- g) Overhanging Hedges Clerk and Mr Kinsey still to walk village.
- h) Coton Countryside Reserve nothing further.
- i) Trees Overhanging Lights – Silverdale Close Letter received from County Council stating they will inspect the trees.
- j) Surface of The Footpath Letter received from County Council stating this will be inspected.
- k) Listing of The Plough Letter received from South Cambs District Council stating they felt listing was not necessary. Building being in a Conservation Area permission would not be given to demolish it. Parish Council could take it to English Heritage. It was proposed by Mr Kinsey and seconded by Mrs Darling that no further action is taken. This was agreed with 7 for and 2 abstentions.
- l) Recycling Meeting at Cambourne. Mrs Smart reported the meeting was very interesting.. They were working on opinions for future policies.
- m) Piece about Hedges and Trees in Community News This to be done.
- n) Damage to Pavement – Bennys Way Reported in Open Session of previous meeting of Oct 19<sup>th</sup>, that this had now been temporarily repaired until the builders had finished.
- o) Boys Playing Football – Bennys Way Play Area This was reported in Open Session of meeting of October 19<sup>th</sup>. Mr Chandler reported he had gone to the play area but had seen no boys.

## 6. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Mr Butterfield – Allotment Dr Baumgarten having just arrived, declared a prejudicial interest and left the room.  
Dr Butterfield queried the request from the Council for him to re-instate the track he has cultivated. It was proposed by Mr Kinsey and seconded by Mrs Smart that Mr Butterfield does need to re-instate the roadway as this is not part of the rented allotment. This was agreed with 6 for and 2 abstaining.

Mr Butterfield also queried the reason the Council turned down his request to rent the now vacant allotment no 26 next to his. This was discussed and it was proposed by Mr Kinsey and seconded by Mr Lewis that in view of the changed circumstances, (we no longer have a waiting list for allotments), and providing the roadway is re-instated, Mr Butterfield be allowed to rent the vacant allotment adjacent to the one he already rents. This was agreed.

- b) Mrs Baines Allotment Clerk to advise Mrs Baines who the new tenant of allotment no 26 is.
- c) Mr Ramsey – Request For Bee Hives on His Allotment It was agreed he could do this. Neighbouring allotment holders to be advised.
- e) Mr Boatfield –Painting Horse – Quote See 5(b)
- f) County Council – Corporate Plan – for next 4 years Sent round in file.
- g) SCDC – Licensing - Planning Decision of Notice Sent round in file
- h) Cambridge and Peterborough Fire Authority – Integrated Risk Management Plan Sent round in file
- i) County Council Countryside Team Annual Review Sent round in file.
- j) Countryside Agency – Landscape Access Recreation Survey Sent round in file
- k) Cambridge Preservation Society – Red Ring Bulletin Summer 2005 Sent round in file.
- l) County Council – Cambs Environment Report Sent round in file
- m) County Council - Budget Strategy 2006 – 10 Sent round in file
- n) Clerks and Councils Direct September 2005 Sent round in file.
- o) ACRE – Annual Review – Sent round in file
- p) SCDC Magazine Autumn 2005 Sent round in file.

## 7. PARISH PLAN

Dr Connolley reported that the writing up of the Plan is now taking place. When completed Parish Council will get a draft for comments.

8. TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING PLANNING APP[LICATIONS

S/01312/05/cc Land at Coton School, Whitwell Way, Coton – Retention of 1 x 6 and 1 x 3 bay mobile buildings. It was agreed to send a letter from Parish Council – Dr Connolley to draft the letter.

S/1994/05/A Enterprise Inns, The Plough, High Street, Coton – Signs. It was proposed by Mr Kinsey and seconded by Dr Connolley that this be approved. This was agreed with 6 for, 2 abstaining and 1 objection.

9. FOOTPATH REPORT FROM MRS SMART

Mrs Smart reported she is chasing Cambridge Green Belt regarding the kissing gate work.

Footpath no 9 has been cut and work is satisfactory.

10. ALLOTMENTS

a) Triangular Piece of Land Nothing further.

b) Mr Butterfield - = Allotment see 6(a)

c) Overgrown Allotments Clerk to send letter to those tenants who have not yet paid their rent requesting it within 14 days. This was proposed by Mr Diplock and seconded by Mr Kinsey, and agreed.

The tenants of overgrown allotments nos.....to be sent letters requesting them to be cleaned up.

Allotment rules and agreements to be reviewed at next meeting.

11. ACCOUNTS

It was proposed by Mr Kinsey and seconded by Mrs Darling that the following payments be made:

Mrs D. Wilson	Clerks Salary	305.00
D.J. & J,M, Green	Footpath cut	79.90
SCDC	Building regs.	123.38

It was proposed by Mr Chandler that the pavilion money be put into the Parish Council's deposit account (interest to be worked out) Mrs Smart seconded this and all agreed.

12. RECREATION GROUND

a) Pavilion – Update and specification for sending out to tenders. It was proposed by Mr Kinsey and seconded by Mrs Brown that the specifications be

approved. This was agreed. Will be sent off the next day for return by 3.00pm 15<sup>th</sup> November. Meeting called for 6.00pm in W.I. Hall on November 15<sup>th</sup> to open tenders and choose a builder. Work to then go ahead.

b) Bonfire

Mr Chandler reported on the progress of the bonfire. Insurance and safety hazard risks all in place.

It was proposed by Mr Kinsey and seconded by Dr Connolley that the Parish Council donate £100 towards the fireworks. This was agreed.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

November 15<sup>th</sup> 2005 at 6.00pm

December 7<sup>th</sup>. 2005

December 14<sup>th</sup> 2005 – Extra Meeting to discuss Silverdale Close plans

January 10<sup>th</sup> 2006 -Precept Meeting

January 24<sup>th</sup> 2006

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

MEETING CLOSED AT..... 10.00pm.....