

SAWSTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

27 March 2012

PRESENT: Chairman: Mrs S A Hatton

Clerk: Mrs J F Keeler

Councillors

Mrs P J Awbery-Maskell

Dr D R Bard

Miss S E Clarke

W A Fell

E C Murray

W N Reid

+ 3 members of public:
Councillor K J L Cooper and Mr & Mrs Cheesman

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ms B Laxton and J W D Reynolds.

2 PLANNING WITH MR R CULLUM

This has been postponed until after the elections when there will be a new Planning Committee.

3 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS FOR THIS MEETING

None were declared.

4 MINUTES OF THE MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 28 February 2012 were read, confirmed and signed.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor Miss S E Clarke and **SECONDED** by Councillor Mrs P J Awbery-Maskell to **ACCEPT** these minutes.

VOTE: **7 FOR** : **(UNANIMOUS)**

5 MATTERS ARISING – New Information Only.

9- Railway crossing on footpath 9

Councillor Mrs S A Hatton had received an update from Network Rail who has been to inspect the site and has said that no upgrade plans are necessary as they felt that visibility both ways was very good.

Councillor E C Murray also explained that CCC Highways had informed him that Network Rail were going to resurface around the gate at this location.

6 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND ASSOCIATED MATTERS

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| S/0423/12/FL | Two-Storey and single storey to side and rear at 4 Paddock Way for Mr I Harvey. <i>Proposed</i> to support by Cllr Mrs P J Awbery-Maskell and <i>Seconded</i> by Cllr W N Reid | SPC Comment: Support Vote: 3 For 2 Against 2 No votes (DRB : SAH) |
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All members of public left 7.40pm

S/1669/02/CM Dernford Farm – change of route

This was discussed and it was Proposed by Councillor W A Fell and Seconded by Councillor W N Reid that the Parish Council objects as the large lorries would have to travel through built up areas where there are school children/crossings, bikes etc, the Parish Council agree the route they already take is a much safer route.

The Parish Council would also like to refer to original S106 agreement paragraph 5.2 on page 6:

5.2 When it was resolved to grant planning permission there was no objection on highway grounds as the A1301 is a Main Distributor Road. However, in order to address local concerns on the environmental impact that might be caused by the additional traffic, routing traffic away from the village of Stapleford was agreed as part of the 106 Legal Agreement.

D. K. Symes Associates

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The Clerk has been asked to contact the Clerk at Stapleford to advise Sawston Parish Council's views/response to the request.

VOTE: 7 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

APP/W0530/A/12/2172001/NWF (S/1805/11/F) Dernford Barn, Sawston Road, Stapleford

This is a Notification of Appeal.

The Committee asked the Clerk to contact the Planning Department at SCDC to state that the above is in Sawston and not Stapleford copying in Stapleford Parish Council and Dernford Barn.

Clerk to also ask SCDC for clarification of its location, whether in Sawston or Stapleford as soon as possible as the Parish Council must reply to the Appeal by 24 April 2012.

7 PLANNING DECISIONS

These were accepted by the Committee.

VOTE: 7 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

8 STREET LIGHTING

The Parish Council had received a letter from CCC explaining that the street lamps in Sawston will be replaced with standard columns from 2015 under the replacement programme. CCC has asked if the Parish Council would like alternative columns which could cost the Parish Council as much as £1,500.00 per column.

It was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council by Councillor E C Murray and **SECONDED** by Councillor W N Reid that the Parish Council has the standard columns as long as these replacement columns can have the fittings to take the Christmas lights and hanging baskets as they do now, at no extra cost to the Parish Council. Clerk to investigate.

VOTE: 7 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

9 TREE – TOWER ROAD

As no more information has been received, Councillor E C Murray asked Councillors Dr D R Bard and Mrs S A Hatton to look into this.

10 TREE PADDOCK WAY

It had been reported that there was a dead cherry tree in Paddock Way and a resident has asked if it can be replaced. After much discussion the verge is believed to belong to CCC so the Clerk has been asked to contact Councillor A G Orgee to ask if CCC can remove and replace this tree.

11 FRIENDS OF SAWSTON LIBRARY – DONATION

The Parish Council has received a request from the FOSL asking if a contribution could be made towards the cost of printing a leaflet with the new library times etc which would be distributed to the whole village. The cost of printing the leaflet is £58.00.

Councillor E C Murray suggested the Parish Council contributes the £58.00 asking if they would be willing to distribute the Chairman's Report at the same time. The Parish Council would then be certain that all Sawston households would receive it. The Clerk has spoken to Mrs Y Emerson who agreed it was a good idea and would speak to the other members before committing.

It was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Parish by Councillor E C Murray and **SECONDED** by Councillor Mrs S A Hatton that the Parish Council pay the £58.00 and have them deliver the Chairman's Report at the same time.

VOTE: 7 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

12 CORRESPONDENCE

None

13 COUNCILLORS ISSUES

Stray Wires – Mill Lane Footpath

Councillor W N Reid reported that there were some stray wires from the fencing on the footpath in Mill Lane sticking out and asked the Clerk to get Mr A R Poole to check first thing Wednesday.

New Planning Policy

Councillor E C Murray explained that from today there is a new planning policy out NPPF – National Planning Policy Framework. Councillor Dr D R Bard agreed to get a copy of the new policy so this can be discussed to see what is involved and put on the Agenda for the next Planning & Environment Committee Meeting.

Community Wardens

Councillor W A Fell explained the Community Wardens have been withdrawn. SCDC also want to turn part of the Green Road Community Room into offices. The Parish Council was told that when the new sheltered housing was built this Community Room would be kept as a Community Room for all the village to use. This is a very well used Community Room and the Parish Council does not want to see part of it turned into offices. Councillor Mrs S A Hatton agreed to look into this and it will be an Agenda item for the next Full Parish Meeting.

Meeting closed 8.40pm