



PLANNING and TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Parish Council Planning and Transport Committee on Monday 21st March 2011 commencing at 1900 in the Lindos Centre Conference Room Saddlemakers Lane Melton IP12 1PP

Present

Cllr Mr PJ Brockett

Cllr Mr GK Butterwick [Chairman]

Cllr Mrs EJJ Hilson

Cllr Miss KS Martin

Cllr Mr MW Sherwen

In Attendance:

Mr MJ Green

Clerk to Melton Parish Council

11.25 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR AND CONSENT TO ABSENCE

11.25.01 Cllr Miss EA Barrington – Medical

Council considered this apology and it was **RESOLVED** to receive the apology and consent to the absence.

Proposed by: Cllr Butterwick **Seconded by:** Cllr Martin.

11.26 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST WITH REGARD TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA AND ADDITIONS TO THE REGISTER

There were no declarations of interest with regard to items on the agenda or additions to the register.

11.27 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

11.27.01 To receive representations from Councillors who have declared a prejudicial interest

There were no representations from councillors as none had declared a prejudicial interest.

11.27.02 To receive representations from members of the public in respect of items on the agenda only

There were no representations from members of the public in respect of items on the agenda as there were no members of the public present.

As there were no members of the public present it was not necessary to lift standing orders

11.28 OPEN FORUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO TALK TO COUNCILLORS

There were no members of the public present.

11.29 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

11.29.01 Meeting held on 21st February 2011

(a) Amendment #1 11.23.03 St Audry's House Nuisance.

Should read 'SCDC would now be responding to a formal appeal...' not 'SCDC would now be making a formal appeal...'

It was RESOLVED that, with this one amendment, minutes PLA(11)M02 previously circulated be received, noted and signed as correct record by the Chairman.

Proposed by: Cllr Martin

Seconded by: Cllr Sherwen.

11.30 TO REVIEW NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

11.30.01 C11/0353/FUL – 7 Garrod Approach Melton IP12 1TD

Application for the erection of an orangery/conservatory to rear.
Copy of application previously circulated.

Extension of consultation period until after Planning Committee meeting on 21st March 2011 requested.

It was RESOLVED not to object to the application as Melton Planning Committee considers the application to be in line with the saved policies from the SCDC Local Plan and the LDF Core Strategy and Development Management Interim Planning Policies; it has not received any objections from residents and has confirmed this with the documentation on the SCDC Planning Application Website.

Proposed by: Cllr Butterwick **Seconded by:** Cllr Sherwen.

11.30.02 C11/0414/FUL – 2 Brick Kiln Farm Cottages Brick Kiln Lane Melton IP12 2PB

Application for erection of single-storey side extension, first floor rear extension and a porch

Copy of application previously circulated.

It was RESOLVED not to object to the application as Melton Planning Committee considers the application to be in line with the saved policies from the SCDC Local Plan and the LDF Core Strategy and Development Management Interim Planning Policies; it has not received any objections from residents and has confirmed this with the documentation on the SCDC Planning Application Website. Council was concerned that although the application forms were on the SCDC website there were no copies of the plans.

Proposed by: Cllr Martin **Seconded by:** Cllr Sherwen.

11.30.03 C11/0449/FUL – 41 Bury Hill Close Melton IP12 1LE

Application for the erection of first floor rear extension.

Copy of application previously circulated.

It was RESOLVED not to object to the application as Melton Planning Committee considers the application to be in line with the saved policies from the SCDC Local Plan and the LDF Core Strategy and Development Management Interim Planning Policies; it has not received any objections from residents and has confirmed this with the documentation on the SCDC Planning Application Website.

Proposed by: Cllr Martin **Seconded by:** Cllr Sherwen.

11.30.04 C11/0476/FUL – 44 Orchard Close Melton IP12 1LD

Application for erection of single storey rear and side extension with conservatory/

Copy of application previously circulated.

It was RESOLVED not to object to the application as Melton Planning Committee considers the application to be in line with the saved policies from the SCDC Local Plan and the LDF Core Strategy and Development Management Interim Planning Policies; it has not received any objections from residents and has confirmed this with the documentation on the SCDC Planning Application Website. However, council expressed their concern about parking provision as what will now be a 4-bedroom house will only have a single car parking space and there is no on road parking outside the property as it fronts a grassed area of open space.

Proposed by: Cllr Butterwick **Seconded by:** Cllr Martin.

11.30.05 C11/0512/FUL – 28 Orchard Close Melton IP12 1LD

Application for the erection of porch and cloakroom

Copy of application previously circulated.

It was noted that the closing date for objections was not until early April. Subject to the council not being made aware of any objections from neighbours **it was RESOLVED** not to object to the application as Melton Planning Committee considers the application to be in line with the saved policies from the SCDC Local Plan and the LDF Core Strategy and Development Management Interim Planning Policies; it was agreed to submit the response on the due deadline date to allow for any objections from residents to be

received and noted in the response. Council was concerned that although the application forms were on the SCDC website there were no copies of the plans.

Proposed by: Cllr Martin

Seconded by: Cllr Sherwen.

11.30.06 C11/0563/FUL – 37 Bredfield Road Melton IP12 1JA

Application for the erection of single-storey rear extension.

Copy of application previously circulated.

It was noted that the closing date for objections was not until early April. Subject to the council not being made aware of any objections from neighbours **it was RESOLVED** not to object to the application as Melton Planning Committee considers the application to be in line with the saved policies from the SCDC Local Plan and the LDF Core Strategy and Development Management Interim Planning Policies; it was agreed to submit the response on the due deadline date to allow for any objections from residents to be received and noted in the response..

Proposed by: Cllr Butterwick

Seconded by: Cllr Sherwen.

11.31 TO REVIEW PLANNING APPLICATION NOTICES RECEIVED

11.31.01 C11/0057/FUL – The Hopton 2 Calder Road Melton IP12 1TP

Copy of 'permission has been granted' notice previously circulated was received and noted.

11.32 TO RECEIVE A PROGRESS REPORT ON ACTIONS TAKEN ON MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS NOT OTHERWISE ON THE AGENDA

Paper PLA(11)P32 previously circulated was received and noted.

11.33 TO CONSIDER THE SUBMISSION OF THE APPLICATION FOR A BMX TRAIL ON MELTON PLAYING FIELD

Copy of the draft application and Design & Access Statement previously circulated.

Council noted that there had been four further emails in support of the proposals and two suggesting that the trail be positioned to the south west of the playing field by the all weather football pitch. This area was considered by council to be too wet and residents in Jenners Close has expressed their objection to that area of the playing field being used when the request for a BMX Trail was first considered at the end of 2009.

Council considered the concerns of Just42 that clause 3 of the Design and Access statement preventing use of the trail when other activities were taking place to be virtually un-manageable and was setting the project up to fail from the outset.

Council agreed to amend clause 3 of the Design and Access Statement to refer to 'organised ball games' not 'an organised football match' and to remove the reference to other occasions when the Playing Field has been leased to other organisation. This will retain the 'health and safety' aspect of the danger to riders from 'flying footballs' and vice versa whilst allowing the greatest use of the facility.

The consensus of all the informal responses that had been received by the council was in favour of the trail and residents who wish to formally object will be able to do so when the application is considered by SCDC. A copy of the application will be sent to Suffolk Wildlife Trust when it is submitted to SCDC to ensure that they have the opportunity to express any view that they might have.

It was RESOLVED to submit the application with the amended clause 3 in the Design and Access Statement to the Planning Officer at SCDC.

Proposed by: Cllr Butterwick

Seconded by: Cllr Martin.

11.34 TO CONSIDER HOW MELTON PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE WILL RESPOND TO THE SECTION 106 DEVELOPERS GUIDE CONSULTATION

Documents available at:

www.suffolk.gov.uk/consultations

As the consultation end date is 3rd May 2011 it was agreed to defer this matter to the next meeting of the Planning and Transport Committee. The Chairman agreed to prepare a discussion paper for that meeting.

11.35 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL TRANSPORT REPRESENTATIVE

Nothing to report but a new edition of the *Guide to Local Public Transport* containing details of the many changes taking effect on 3rd April was being prepared.

11.36 PLANNING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN'S URGENT BUSINESS

11.36.01 Public Rights of Way: Consultation relating to Bridleway 31 Ufford

This matter had been delegated to the Planning and Transport Committee by Full Council on 10th March [minute MPC11.42.08] and an extension of the consultation period until 22nd March had been requested and granted.

Council carefully considered this matter and concluded that there was no benefit in the proposed new Bridleway but great merit in creating the missing 5 metre link at the end of the existing Bridleway.. The existing Bridleway is clearly defined and a new 3 metre wide levelled route along the field edge would be inviting use by motorised bikers. In the current economic climate it was also considered to be an unnecessary expense at a time of cutbacks on public expenditure.

It was RESOLVED to object to the proposed new Bridleway and recommend that the County Council return to the initial proposal of creating the missing 5 metre link between points 'A' and 'B' on the consultation map.

Proposed by: Cllr Butterwick **Seconded by:** Cllr Martin.

11.36.02 Town and Parish Planning Forums

The proposed Forums on 7th April at the SCDC Council Chamber and on 13th April at the Riverside Centre Stratford St Andrew both commencing at 6.45 p.m. were noted. All councillors had been advised of the details by email, Cllr Sherwen indicated his intention to attend.

11.36.03 Formal Complain Against Cllrs Jowers & Smith

It was noted that a formal response had been received to the complaint by Melton Parish Council advising 'No Further Action' in either case. There is a right to seek a review of this decision, with a deadline of 15th April. It was agreed to put consideration of this on the Full Council agenda for 14th April as it was a Full Council decision to make the original complaint [minute MPC 10.254.02].

11.36.04 Melton Station Car Park

It was noted that the car park was now open and in use.

11.37 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 18th April 2011 at 1900 in the Lindos Centre Conference Room.

As the Clerk will be on holiday the Chairman agreed to take the minutes of this meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2045

Signed: _____

Date: _____

[Chairman]