



PLANNING and TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Parish Council Planning and Transport Committee on Monday 23rd May 2011 commencing at 1900 in the Lindos Centre Conference Room Saddlemakers Lane Melton IP12 1PP

Present

Cllr Mr GK Butterwick [Chairman]
Cllr Mrs EJJ Hilson

Cllr Mr MW Sherwen

In Attendance:

Mr MJ Green Clerk to Melton Parish Council

- 11.51 TO CONSIDER CO-OPTIONS TO THE PLANNING AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE**
There were no nominations for co-option to the Planning and Transport Committee
- 11.52 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR AND CONSENT TO ABSENCE**
There were no apologies for absence as all members were present.
- 11.53 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.
- 11.54 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**
- 11.54.01 To receive representations from Councillors who have declared a prejudicial interest**
There were no representations from councillors as none had declared a prejudicial interest.
- 11.54.02 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.

It was **RESOLVED** to lift standing orders.

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

The following matters were raised by members of the committee:

11.55.01 Traffic Regulation Order

Members recalled that consideration had been given to the proposed TRO in March 2010 and that whilst comments were made about proposals for Dock Lane none were made in relation to the corner of The Street and Saddlemakers Lane.
The following is an extract from the minutes of the meeting in 2010:

Copy of proposals previously circulated as paper PLA(10)P49 by post was received and noted.

Following the representations made by members of the public attending the meeting council discussed the issue and agreed the response to be made to SCC Environment and Transport.

It was recalled that objections had been raised by Melton Parish Council in November 2008 when the initial proposals were made, on the grounds that there had been no meaningful engagement with the local community.

Council also noted that the public display in St Andrew's Church in early 2009 had enabled further comments to be made by the local community and that the final proposal would be formally advertised in the middle of April 2010. Council welcomed this opportunity to comment on the proposed changes.

The comments that council wished to make are in relation to the proposals for Dock Lane Melton [ET02336/PRO/104] a road heavily used by HGV's going to Hypoguard, the riverside and the SCC Highways Depot and also providing parking for those visiting Melton Primary School. Council is also concerned about potential increases in traffic likely to be caused when Melton Primary School opens up its community classroom.

On the north side of Dock Lane alongside of the Primary School it has been suggested by residents that the double yellow line restriction should be extended from the corner with Melton Road for a further 20 metres than currently proposed into Dock Lane. They have also questioned the need for the restricted parking outside of the bowls club.

The general principle being suggesting is that parking should be allowed on one side of Dock Lane only, ideally the north side, so that visitors to the school do not need to then cross the road.

The potential impact on the retail activities of McColls of the proposed parking restrictions [ET02336/PRO/102] was discussed but, given the number of junctions/accesses on The Street and the narrowing of Saddlemakers Lane at the junction, no alternative could be envisaged.

It was RESOLVED to respond to SCC suggesting that:-

- a) in respect of ET02336/PRO/104, the double yellow line restriction on the northern side of Dock Lane should be extended in an easterly direction by a further 20 metres.
- b) in respect of ET02336/PRO/102, whilst concerned about the potential impact on the retail activities of McColls' convenience store, the narrowness of Saddlemakers Lane at the junction it is difficult to suggest a workable alternative, short of comprehensive proposals for traffic calming of The Street.
- c) the remaining proposals be welcomed,

Proposed by: Cllr Butterwick

Seconded by: Cllr Sherwen

Now that the regulations had been implemented and the 'lines' drawn it was understood that McColls were drawing up a petition to object to the restrictions outside of their premises. However, it was understood that they had made no objections during the long consultation period. Concern was expressed by council about the potential impact on the 'village shop' but also about the real safety hazard caused by indiscriminate parking. However, without major expenditure and the introduction of calming measures with parking bays in The Street no new alternatives appeared possible.

The Chairman offered to contact the County Councillor to see what action might be possible.

It was RESOLVED to reinstate standing orders.

11.56 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

11.56.01 Meeting held on 18th April 2011

- (a) 11.41.03 Amendment #1 – correct John Rose – should be John Grose.

It was RESOLVED that, with this one amendment, minutes PLA(11)M04 previously circulated be received, noted and signed as correct record by the Chairman.

Proposed by: Cllr Butterwick

Seconded by: Cllr Hilson.

11.57 TO REVIEW NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

11.57.01 C11/0526/LBC – The Beeches 1 The Street Melton IP12 1PL

Application for the demolition of existing and erection of new front boundary wall

Copy of application previously circulated.

Extension of consultation until after 23rd May 2011 requested and granted.

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 Hilson

Seconded by: Cllr Sherwen.

- 11.57.02 C11/0814/FUL – Part Side Garden 2 Saxon Way Melton IP12 1LG**
 Erection of a detached building.
 Copy of application previously circulated.
 Extension of consultation until after 23rd May 2011 requested.
 Council carefully considered this application and made the following comments:
- The development would lead to a cramped form of development DM7
 - It would out of character with the street scene DM7
 - The reduction in curtilage of the exiting building would have a detrimental impact DM7
 - In-filling a large garden in a prominent position at the entrance to an established development would erode the character of the surroundings DM7
 - It does not conserve or enhance the natural and built environment SP1
 - It does not meet the needs of younger people or an aging population wishing to remain in the village due to the size [4 bed] and therefore potential value SP3
- Council also expressed concern that there had not been:
- A site notice
 - Press Notice
 - Consultation with neighbours
- It was RESOLVED** to object to the application for the above reasons.
Proposed by: Cllr Hilson **Seconded by:** Cllr Sherwen.
- 11.57.03 C11/0873/FUL – 1 Grant Rise Melton IP12 1FG**
 Application for erection of conservatory extension
 Copy of application previously circulated.
 Extension of consultation until after 23rd May 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 Hilson **Seconded by:** Cllr Sherwen.
- 11.57.04 C11/0934/FUL – 2 Wilford Place, Wilford Bridge Road Melton IP12 2PA**
 Application for erection of ground floor and first floor extensions.
 Copy of application previously circulated.
 Extension of consultation until after 23rd May 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 Sherwen **Seconded by:** Cllr Hilson.
- 11.57.05 C11/0936/FUL – 7 Fairway Close, Calder Road, Melton IP12 1TP**
 Application for conversion of attic, installation of dormers and erection of conservatory.
 Copy of application previously circulated.
 Extension of consultation until after 23rd May 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 Sherwen **Seconded by:** Cllr Hilson.
- 11.57.06 C11/0937/LBC – 7 Fairway Close, Calder Road, Melton IP12 1TP**
 Application for alterations and additions to facilitate conversion of attic, installation of dormers and erection of conservatory.
 Copy of application previously circulated.
 Extension of consultation until after 23rd May 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 Sherwen

Seconded by: Cllr Hilson.

11.58 TO REVIEW PLANNING APPLICATION NOTICES RECEIVED

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Copy of 'Permission has been granted' notice previously circulated.

11.58.05 C11/0635/FUL – 29 Hall Farm Road Melton IP12 1PJ

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

11.59 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL TRANSPORT REPRESENTATIVE

The Chairman reported that there had been no progress in the negotiations for an evening bus service and that a new local transport guide would be available shortly on the website containing slight changes to the train timetable.

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

Paper PLA(11)P60 previously circulated was received and noted.

11.61 PLANNING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN'S URGENT BUSINESS

11.61.01 Coach & Horses

The Chairman reported that the owners were Enterprise Inns who were actively seeking a new tenant to operate as a pub on a long lease.

11.61.02 Community Led Planning in Your Community

Presentation were being organised by Suffolk ACRE at Stratford St Andrew on 19th June and Martlesham Community Centre on 14th June both commencing at 9.30 a.m. – all are welcome.

11.62 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 27th June 2011 at 1900 in the Lindos Centre Conference Room.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2000.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

[Chairman]