

# CARLTON PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the 118<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting meeting held at Saint Andrews Church, Main Street, Carlton at 1930 hrs on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2012

**Present:** S G Tupling (Chairman), J H Boston, R H Edmunds, J D Finch, W R Sharp (Councillors), I D Ould (County Councillor), 4 members of the public, C J Peat (Clerk).

### 1. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman

Cllr S G Tupling **was elected** Chairman.  
Cllr J H Boston **was elected** Vice Chairman.

### 2. Declarations of Acceptance of Office

Declarations of Acceptance of Office were signed by Cllrs Tupling and Boston.

### 3. Apologies for absence from Councillors

There were none.

### 4. Personal or prejudicial declarations of interest in respect of items on the agenda

None were declared.

### 5. Minutes of the meeting of 12<sup>th</sup> April 2012

**It was resolved** that the minutes be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

### 6. Matters arising from the minutes

#### a) Carlton Youth Club

An article about the future of the Youth Club had been published in the May issue of Carlton News, and three parishioners had expressed a willingness to help, particularly if the new club could cater for 8-14 year olds. Shackerstone PC had advised that one parishioner was prepared to help, but expressed doubts about the numbers of local young people who would be likely to attend regularly, and the financial viability of the project. Other comments and tentative expressions of support had been made to the Clerk, and **it was resolved** that the position be reviewed in a Report to the next PC meeting.

#### b) Noise from the flying of model aircraft

A short piece inviting feedback had been published in the May issue of Carlton News. One additional parishioner had expressed concern about the continuous noise on fine days. The Barton in the Beans Large Model Flying Group had publicised an open day on 13<sup>th</sup> May in Carlton News and the Hinckley Times. **It was resolved** that the public response be reviewed one week after the open day, draft comments be copied to Councillors, and a final response submitted to H&BBC by the Chairman and Clerk.

### 7. Reports from members of other public authorities

#### a) Leicestershire County Council

Cllr Ould reported on current LCC business relevant to the local area. Recent allegations about the misuse of expenses had been referred to the Standards Committee, and were also being investigated by the LCC Governance Committee and the Police. County Councillors did not approve each other's expenses – claims were submitted to an officer panel in confidence and approved subject to a set of guidelines. Any questionable claims should have been referred to senior executive officers and the Cabinet.

A traffic impact assessment for the Barwell SUE was being prepared, and would consider the impact on minor as well as major roads.

The revelation that summonses for speeding were only being issued for gross violations of the speed limit had given rise to surprise and disappointment in many local communities where speeding was a major problem.

Local MPs would be attending a meeting at Orton on the Hill on 18<sup>th</sup> June to review the position on wind farms. A cluster of projects along the escarpment around the north eastern side of Tamworth could result in the construction of 30 wind turbines, each 420' high. Although individual proposals would fall within the remit of different planning authorities, they would have a major cumulative impact on the western part of the Borough.

The closure of footpath S68 at Shackerstone Station was in the hands of LCC Legal Section. The Battlefield Line Railway had not responded to correspondence and had been generally uncooperative.

**b) Leicestershire Constabulary**

PC M Chapman had reported that during April there had been one theft from an unoccupied motor vehicle in Carlton.

**8. Affordable Housing Project**

**a) To consider the legal aspects of land acquisition and planning application**

Mrs Smithard (NCHA Project Manager) had advised that proposals were being put together by H&BBC and NCHA, but documentation had not been received in time for the PC meeting. **It was resolved** that this item be deferred.

**b) Progress report and open public discussion**

The Clerk reported that the bid for funding had been scheduled for consideration by the HCA Senior Management Team on 23<sup>rd</sup> April. The HCA had postponed this matter until 30<sup>th</sup> April, and then again to 21<sup>st</sup> May, on both occasions without prior notification. Parishioners present expressed their utter dismay at the continued failure of the HCA to progress this matter.

**9. Annual reports from parish representatives and organisations**

- a) Ashby Canal Forum: Mr C Brown**
- b) Carlton Charity Land: Mrs J Orton**
- c) Carlton Footpath Group: Mr J Piggon**
- d) Carlton Heritage Warden: Mr C J Peat**
- e) Carlton Parish Council website: Clerk**
- f) Carlton Parish Plan Group: Mr C J Peat**
- g) Carlton Youth Champions: Ms R Yule**
- h) Keep Carlton Tidy Group: Mrs I M Peat**

All contributors **were thanked** for their reports, and for their work and that of their groups on behalf of the community. **It was resolved** that the reports received be amalgamated and recorded as Report 2012-11.

**10. Financial matters**

**a) Report 2012-05: summary statement of accounts**

**It was resolved** that Report 2012-05 be approved.

**b) Receipt and Payment accounts for the financial year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012**

The RFO presented the Receipts & Payments account book, which he had made up and certified as correct, and supporting documentation. **It was resolved** that the Receipts & Payments accounts be approved, and they were signed by the Chairman.

**c) External audit return for the financial year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012**

**It was resolved** that the accounting statements and annual governance statement for the financial year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012 be approved and the statements were signed by the Chairman and RFO.

**d) Report 2012-06: statements of earmarked funds and s137 expenditure for the financial year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011**

**It was resolved** that Report 2012-06 be approved.

**e) Report 2012-07: assets held on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012**

**It was resolved** that Report 2012-07 be approved.

**11. Report 2012-08: inventories of property and documents**

It was resolved that Report 2012-08 be approved.

**12. Report 2012-09: condition of Parish Council property**

It was resolved that Report 2012-09 be approved.

**13. Report 2012-10: condition of memorials in the churchyard and cemetery**

It was resolved that Report 2012-10 be approved.

**14. Planning matters****a) Planning applications submitted and determined**

**12/00125/FUL AM Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of replacement dwelling, 10 Main St.**  
Approved with standard conditions.

**b) Licensing applications**

**12/00264/PRM Premises licence for land east of Bosworth Water Park, Wellesborough Rd, Market Bosworth.** Refused.

**15. Correspondence**

**New Homes Bonus funding.** H&BBC had advised that the amount of New Homes Bonus Funding allocated to the PC for 2011-112 was calculated on two new dwellings in Band F (£399.99 each) and one in Band D (£276.87); total £1076.85.

**West Leicestershire Clinical Commissioning Group** invited reps to discussion of draft Commissioning Strategy at Marlene Reid Centre, 85 Belvoir Rd, Coalville, 13:00-16:00 hrs 24<sup>th</sup> May. **It was resolved** that the PC not send a representative to this meeting.

LCC was carrying out a consultation on proposals for a new public transport support policy. **It was resolved** that no response be made.

**It was resolved** that a list of digital communications and reports received be copied to each Councillor, and that copies be forwarded on request.

**It was resolved** that additional written documentation be circulated.

**16. Matters for report and questions and comments from the public**

Cllr Sharp and the Clerk **were thanked** for removing a dead yew tree from the top of the churchyard bank, trimming a *Leylandii* ready for felling and disposing of the brush, and for levelling and seeding two recent graves.

A loose kerb outside 80 Main St had been reported to LCC Highways for repair.

**17. Next meeting**

**It was resolved** that the next meeting be held at 1930 hrs on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2012 at Saint Andrews Church, Main Street, Carlton.

The meeting closed at 2124 hrs.

**Signed** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Abbreviations used in these minutes**

CFG	Carlton Footpath Group	CPPG	Carlton Parish Plan Group
CNWG	Carlton Neighbourhood Watch Group	HCA	Homes and Communities Agency
H&BBC	Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council	KCTG	Keep Carlton Tidy Group
LCC	Leicestershire County Council	LPA	Local Planning Authority
NCHA	Nottingham Community Housing Association	PAF	Parish Amenities Fund
PC	Parish Council	RHE	Rural Housing Enabler
RFO	Responsible Financial Officer		