

TRAWDEN & WINEWALL NEIGHBOURHOOD COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 24th JUNE 1985 IN THE COMMUNITY HALL, TRAWDEN

Present: Mr.D.Robertson (Chairman),  
Mmes. Robinson, Stonelake and Waterworth,  
Messrs. Bleasdale and Haley,  
Mr. Ian Mitchell, Leisure Services,  
Mr. A. Spencer, Colne Times,  
Mrs.N.M.Darcy, secretary.

1. APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence received from Mrs.Stone, Mr.Hounslow, Mr.Foulkes and Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong.
2. MINUTES: Minutes of meeting held 20th May approved and adopted.
3. MATTERS ARISING: The Chairman read briefly through the previous Minutes and said that all the items on which he had more information were covered by correspondence.
4. CORRESPONDENCE : Mr.Ian Mitchell from Leisure Services was present at the meeting to reply in person to queries which members wished to put to him, particularly with regard to the recreation ground and children's playground.

Letter from Leisure Services saying that the warning notice re animals will be replaced on the playground and, in addition, a similar one will be erected on the recreation ground.

Mr.Mitchell stated that action could be brought against people exercising horses on the recreation ground and also said that cows are not allowed to graze there.

The wall and gateposts to the recreation ground have been inspected and it is felt that the gateposts are not unsafe; the wall will be repaired after the holidays.

With regard to the car park extension, Mr.Mitchell said that Leisure Services are well aware of the need to extend the car park but, unfortunately, no funds are available at the present time.

Re the flying of model aircraft, Mr.Mitchell confirmed that there is no agreement with the Aeromodellers that they may use the recreation ground on certain days.

In reply to a query regarding proposed tree planting on the recreation ground, Mr.Mitchell said he could see no objection to a fence being erected round newly planted trees.

Re the children's playground, Mr.Robertson said that the equipment was in a poor state of repair and badly in need of re-painting. Mr.Mitchell was asked if there was any possibility of improving the surface of the playground. It was also pointed out the playground is without a litter bin.

In reply to previous criticism, Mr.Mitchell said that weedkiller is used discriminately and is limited to a 4" strip on the perimeter of grassed areas.

The Chairman asked if vandalism in this area was any better or worse than in other parts of Pendle and Mr.Mitchell replied that it was certainly no worse than other areas.

In conclusion, Mr.Robertson expressed his thanks to Mr.Mitchell for coming along to the meeting. He also proposed that a letter of thanks be sent to Mr.Fenton, Leisure Services Officer, telling him that the visit by Mr.Mitchell had proved very helpful.

Letter from Lancashire County Council enclosing literature regarding the Recycling Programme.

A meeting of Lancashire Parish & Neighbourhood Councils was held on the 13th June which Mr. Robertson attended. It was reported at that meeting that the Community Bus Project is likely to be scrapped and all donations returned to the senders.

Letter from Pendle Borough Council enclosing leaflets with regard to conservation areas.

Letter from Pendle Borough Council advising that they will undertake the removal of the stone plaque to the grounds of the Community Hall.

Re fouling of footpaths by dogs, letter from Pendle Borough Council stating that they now find that Trawden is covered by a Bye-Law, and action can be taken against owners of dogs fouling footpaths and public places; they are making enquiries regarding the provision of warning notices.

Letter from Pendle Re-employment Project saying that the relevant sites have now been located and they will contact us further in due course.

Letter from Town Hall, Nelson, enclosing election notices and nomination papers for Neighbourhood Council elections.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS: Details and plans received from both Lancashire County Council and Pendle Borough Council re the application for a proposed drift mine near the Clarion House. The Chairman gave a brief account of action taken so far in protest at the proposal and said meetings have taken place at Clarion House, The Shooters Inn and the Rock Inn. It is estimated that -

- a) 200,000 tons of coal will be produced,
- b) employment will be found for up to 30 people,
- c) 10 wagons a day will travel into and out of the site,
- d) the project will cover a ten year period.

The greatest concern for farmers and residents in the area is that the water supply will be affected. The greatest hazard as far as Trawden is concerned is the likely increase in heavy traffic on an inadequate road, i.e. bad bends, narrow stretches and a particularly dangerous junction by the church. The Chairman proposed that this application should be opposed on the grounds that it is likely to increase the flow of heavy traffic into and out of Trawden, and this was seconded by both Mrs. Waterworth and Mr. Haley. It was therefore resolved to write to both Lancashire County Council and Pendle Borough Council objecting to the application on the lines indicated.

6. BLACK CARR MILL: Reported that Pendle Borough Council are proposing to withdraw the Compulsory Purchase Order to acquire the site of Black Carr Mill. After discussion it was resolved to write to the Development Services Committee urging them to use any reasonable course of action to secure the land for the benefit of the village.

7. VILLAGE SHOW: Meeting arranged for 5th August at the Sun Inn, 8 p.m.

8. REVISION OF MINUTES: None.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS: Mr. Haley suggested that Colne Road should be considered as a conservation area.

Tree Planting - To be discussed at next meeting.

The meeting closed at 9-55 p.m.  
Next meeting to be held on the 19th August, 1985, at 7-30 p.m.