

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 25th FEBRUARY 1985 IN THE COMMUNITY HALL, TRAWDEN

Present: Mr.D.Robertson (Chairman)
 Mmes.F.Stone, B.Robinson and M.Waterworth
 Messrs.D.Haley, S.Armstrong, G.Foulkes,
 B.Hodgson and E.Hounslow
 Mr.I.Mitchell, Leisure Services
 Mr.A.Spencer, Colne Times
 Mrs.N.M.Darcy, secretary.

1. APOLOGIES: Apologies received from Mrs.B.Stonelake, Mrs.A.Armstrong and Mr.D.Bleasdale.
2. MINUTES: Minutes of meeting held 28th January approved and adopted.
3. SUPPER DANCE: Mrs.Stone gave final details for Supper Dance to be held on Friday next, 1st March 1985.
4. TREE PLANTING: The Chairman introduced Mr. Ian Mitchell from Leisure Services who referred to the recent tree planting programme during National Tree Week which had not included the Trawden area, and said the Borough Council would welcome suggestions for schemes on council owned land in the village. The Chairman proposed that a sub-committee should be formed and it was decided that Mrs.B.Robinson, Mrs.N.M.Darcy, Mr.D.Haley and Mr.G.Foulkes should look further into the matter and report back to the Neighbourhood Council. It was decided to invite Mr.Mitchell back later in the year with firm proposals. Mr.Mitchell promised to let us have a further supply of daffodil bulbs in the Autumn.
5. MATTERS ARISING: Telephone Kiosk at Cottontree - Mr.Foulkes reported that the telephone in the Cottontree kiosk is still in working order.
6. CORRESPONDENCE: Fouling by dogs - The Chairman read out extracts from the Council Minutes where it was reported that Higham Parish Council had requested signs to be erected warning dog owners that it was an offence to allow a dog under their control to foul a footway; it was also reported that the Borough Council had given approval for the erection of such signs. It was therefore proposed that a further letter should be sent to the Borough Council pointing out that we understand the signs are available and asking for some to be erected along the main road in Trawden.
Footpaths - Letter from Mr.A.Benson of the Footpath Preservation Society stating that permission had been sought for certain footpaths to be used for motor cycle events and it was resolved to write to Lancashire County Council objecting to this proposal.
Grants for Neighbourhood Councils - It was noted from the Council Minutes that Neighbourhood Councils may receive a grant of up to £220 for 1985/6. The financial requirement for that period was briefly discussed. It was suggested by Mr.Armstrong that an item covering proposed expenditure should be included in the Agenda each year, possibly for the January meeting.
Parish Review The Chairman reported that he had visited Nelson Town Hall to inspect the documents on display regarding the Parish Review. The maps submitted conform to our proposals apart from a small section which has been included in the Laneshawbridge area, and a letter of approval has been sent to the Town Clerk.

Pendle Parish & Town Councils Area Committee - The Chairman thanked Mrs. Waterworth for attending the last meeting and said he would attend the next one on 7th March.

Pendle Re-employment Centre - Mr. John Aspden will attend the next meeting on 25th March to discuss future projects and members are asked to give some thought to possible locations.

Map of Trawden - After discussion it was decided that the most appropriate place to display the Map would be on the front wall of the Community Hall and it was resolved that permission to do this should be sought from Leisure Service

Street Lamps in Winewall - Letter from the Borough Engineer stating that it is hoped to replace the old lamps during 1986/7.

Library Books - Letter from Mr. Wightman stating that there has been an increase in the number of books borrowed compared with last year. Mr. Haley suggested that a sign should be erected indicating the Library/Clinic as he was frequently asked where they were, and it was decided to leave this suggestion in abeyance until the next meeting.

Community Health Council - Circular.

Pendle & District Sports Council - Circular.

7. CONSTITUTION:

The Chairman handed out copies of the Constitution and said he felt that we had conformed very closely to the Constitution when conducting business. A lengthy discussion took place concerning participation of non-elected members where the 10-minute rule would apply provided that permission to speak had been obtained beforehand. According to the Constitution permission can only be given by a person invested with authority to do so at an A.G.M. of the Neighbourhood Council. It was therefore agreed that -

- a) for the time being the Chairman should have power to give the required permission;
- b) non-elected members should be informed that a decision may not be taken instantly in which case they will be notified of the outcome;
- c) non-elected members may participate for approximately 10 minutes.

Mrs. Robinson proposed that an item on the agenda should be kept open for public participation and it was resolved to discuss this suggestion further at the next meeting.

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS: Mr. Armstrong said that applications for Planning should be given more serious thought than they are at the moment.

9. VILLAGE SHOW: The Community Hall has been booked for the next Village Show on 5th October 1985. Mr. Armstrong proposed that a donation should be given from the Neighbourhood Council for another trophy.

10. REVISION OF MINUTES: None.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS: Mr. Haley reported that two vehicles have been dumped in the middle of the tram tracks and could be a potential hazard. Resolved to ask for their removal.

The meeting closed at 9-45 p.m.

Next meeting to be held on 25th March 1985 at 7-30 p.m.

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES
2. MINUTES
3. PENDLE RE-EMPLOYMENT CENTRE - VISIT BY MR. JOHN ASPDEN
4. MATTERS ARISING
5. CORRESPONDENCE
6. CONSTITUTION - re public participation at meetings
7. SUPPER DANCE

TRAWDEN AND WINEWALL NEIGHBOURHOOD COUNCIL

DEFINITION OF PROCEDURE UNDER CONSTITUTION FOR PARTICIPATION OF ANY MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY

PROPOSITION

- 1) That the Authority be vested in the chair, following consultation with *a member and* one other Officer of the Council to invite any member(s) of the community to a meeting of the Council under section 8 of the constitution, and allow such person(s) to be heard under sub-section (c) of the above section of the constitution, namely the "10 minute rule".

(In the absence of a definition of the 10 minute rule, for this purpose, it shall be deemed to mean that any invited member of the community be allowed to speak and be heard, for a period of 10 minutes, or any such longer period as may be allowable by the Council, and voiced through the chair, on any topic relevant under section 2 of the constitution (objects)).

- 2) That participation, as expressed above in the meeting shall cease at the end of 10 minutes or some time after when the council agree by majority vote that the matter be out of order.

3) The Council shall not be under any obligation at that time to deliberate, or if called upon, to make any decision, in relation to the matter(s) put to them by any member of the community. It shall be sufficient for the Council to have heard the presentation.

- 4) The Council shall itself appoint the time to deliberate any item relevant to it's agenda in the normal way.