

# CARLTON COLVILLE TOWN COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Carlton Colville Town Council Meeting held on **Wednesday 4 December 2013** at 7.00pm in the Jubilee Room, Uplands Community Centre, Ashburnham Way, Carlton Colville

( See Minutes of January 2014 for any amendments)

### Town Council Members present

J Tyler (Chairman), C Fair, D Fletcher, J Green, J Hall, D Kindred, A Mackie and P Tyler

### Also in attendance

Suffolk County Council – Councillor P Byatt  
Carlton Colville Youth Council – T Willis, C Brinded, J Jones,  
IMPACT Team - D Goddard and I Castro  
4 members of the public

### Officers present

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## **1 APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were noted and received from Town Councillors T Tibbitt and W Miles.

## **2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

## **3 APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION**

No applications for dispensation were made.

## **4 MINUTES**

### **RESOLVED**

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 6 November 2013 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

## **5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

The meeting adjourned for 15 minutes to enable a public participation session during which residents were given the opportunity to raise issues of local concern. In addition, reports were received from public sector and community organisations within the Carlton Colville area.

### (a) Suffolk Police

An update report was received from Suffolk Police covering the period 26 September 2013 to 2 November 2013. There had been 14 crimes reported during the above period, a breakdown of which was outlined in the report. Police Officers were monitoring speeding and had undertaken 3 spot checks on Lowestoft Road,

Chapel Road and The Street, resulting in 20 motorists being warned or reported for speeding. Monitoring was also continuing on the Skate Park.

Concern was expressed regarding speeding along Lowestoft Road and The Junction in Carlton Colville and it was suggested that the installation of '20's Plenty' signs could be investigated to remind residents that they need to restrict their speed on village roads. It was also reported that the '20s Plenty' sign was not working effectively outside school hours.

### **RESOLVED**

1. That Suffolk Councillor P Byatt explores the possibility of '20s Plenty' signs along Lowestoft Road and The Junction with the Highways Department of Suffolk County Council.
2. That the Chairman raises the effectiveness of the '20s Plenty' initiative outside the school with Suffolk Police.

(b) Waveney District Council

An update report was received from Waveney District Councillor Paul Light. The report outlined the initiatives that Councillor had been involved in and action taken on behalf of Carlton Colville residents. The key issues related to the hedge and street lighting by Secrets Corner, narrow footpath on Chapel Road (Badgers Development) and attendance at Public Participation Group at Rosedale Surgery.

(c) Suffolk County Council

An update report was received from Suffolk County Councillor Sonia Barker. In the absence of Councillor Barker, Suffolk Councillor Peter Byatt answered questions on the issues raised.

It was reported that Councillor Barker was meeting representatives from Suffolk County Council on Thursday 5 December 2013, supported by the Suffolk Shadow Member for Transport (Suffolk Councillor Sandra Gage). A range of options had been developed for resolving the transport issues related to the school and the purpose of the meeting was to establish the feasibility of the options put forward. These ranged from the installation of a link road, utilising some of the school grounds for drop-off purposes to extended parking bays.

The Chairman stressed the importance of keeping Carlton Colville Town Council up-to-date on progress and also the Town Council had supporting evidence available on this issue going back to 2008 which may be useful as long-standing evidence, whilst Gisleham Parish Council had records going back to 2003.

Clarification was given that the Police had advised that a 'Walking Bus' would not be suitable as the roads were too narrow.

Claire Robson (Parent) reported that she had opened a Facebook page calling on the community to support an on-line petition calling for the road outside the school to be improved. (Link details are:

<https://www.epetitions.sccapps.net/petitionInformation.php?guid=bea6f48261d29b0dba555367e277f670>). It was reported that a petition would need to attract 3675 signatures in order to trigger consideration at the formal Suffolk County Council meeting. The Town Council was working with Claire in order to produce an information leaflet raising awareness of and seeking support for actions to address the transport issues associated with the school. In addition, it was reported that an article had been published in The Journal stating that the community of Carlton Colville was uniting in order to increase pressure on Suffolk County Council, as Highways Authority, to seek urgent resolution of the transport problems. A further article was planned.

Clarification was sought as to why the Police were not monitoring and taking action against those motorists who were parking on yellow lines in and around the school

area. Monitoring needed to be undertaken during pick-up / drop-off times. It was reported that a local resident had passed details of illegal parking to Sgt Angie Egmont but it was thought that no action had been taken

Councillor Byatt requested that the outcome of the meetings with Suffolk County Council be allowed to be reported back before any further initiatives were undertaken to lobby Suffolk County Council. However, it was recognised that the community had every right to pursue all avenues in order to ensure their voices were heard.

During the discussion on this item clarification was sought regarding proposals for the former Carlton Colville Primary School (currently utilised by the Beccles Free School), a decision for which had been expected by Christmas 2013. Councillor Byatt agreed to make enquires and report back.

No further update was available regarding the sale of the former Caretaker's house. No applications had been received for the position of School Patrol Crossing Officer.

Suffolk Councillors Barker and Byatt had allocated £1,500 (£750 x 2) to help fund replacement guttering and fascia on Carlton Colville Community Centre.

### **RESOLVED**

1. That Suffolk Councillors S Barker and / or P Byatt submit an update report to the next Carlton Colville Town Council meeting on the meeting held with Suffolk County Council seeking resolution on the transport issues outside the school.
2. That the Chairman raises the issue of enforcement of illegal parking on yellow lines in / around the vicinity of the school with Suffolk Police.
3. That Councillor Byatt investigates and reports back to the next Carlton Colville Town Council meeting regarding proposals for the former Carlton Colville Primary School building once it becomes vacant.

(d) East Anglia Transport Museum

An update report was received from the East Anglia Transport Museum. Highlights included a Daily Telegraph article about the museum in the motoring section on 23 November 2013, preparations being made for Santa Trams, and representation at the SHARE Museums East Conference and Community Action Suffolk launch. Work was ongoing on restoration projects and in cataloguing and archive records.

(e) IMPACT Team

An update report was received from Debbie Goddard and Ian Castro regarding the work of the IMPACT Team, whose activities were now reaching the end of their detached outreach work for the 2013/14 year. The Team would continue to support the Youth Council in the meantime and would assist with youth issues where possible.

The Chairman reported that she would attend the next Play Partnership meeting and raise the outstanding issues including the need for improved drainage at the car park entrance and hard standing outside the Teen Shelter and the absence of any bins. The ramps on the skate park had been fixed. Costings were awaited for new ramps and grinding bars.

(f) Carlton Colville Youth Council

Tom Willis (Chairman of the Youth Council) gave a verbal update regarding recent activities of the Youth Council which included the development of a formal Constitution, production of an Agenda for the first meeting and adoption of a logo (designed by the Youth Council).

The Youth Council would be holding a competition to raise funds for the new ramp and grinding bars. In addition, ideas for a graffiti wall were being developed.

The Youth Council was congratulated for being so proactive and enthusiastic, having made a difference in a very short space of time on behalf of the young people in Carlton Colville.

(g) Chairman's Report

An update report was received from Councillor Jill Tyler, Chairman of the Town Council. Key activities included the attendance of the Lowestoft Remembrance Parade Service, Suffolk Association of Local Council's Annual General Meeting, Carlton Colville Youth Council meeting and launch of Community Action Suffolk. The Chairman was also working on the demographic report for the provision of a post office in the area.

(h) Clerk's Report

An update report was received from the Clerk to the Town Council (Christine Sayer). Details included correspondence exchanged with regard to the following issues:

- Grit bins
- Felling of trees in The Paddocks
- Budgetary meeting
- Town Council entry for website competition
- Meeting held to discuss the skate park
- Broken bollard at Uplands Close
- Footpath behind Hedley Lane

Information had been circulated to the Town Councillors prior to the meeting regarding advice received for the operation of grit bins and guidance for volunteers to spread grit in their area.

At the request of the Chairman, Claire Robson (Parent) displayed a copy of a poster that would be used in publicity for the 'Support our Safer School Run' campaign. Publicity information for the campaign would be included on the Street Life website, on Facebook and a link inserted on the Town Council website.

The next edition of the Town Council newsletter was being prepared. It was reported that problems had been experienced in the past with the delivery of the Newsletter and so an alternative means of delivery needed to be found.

**RESOLVED**

1. That further clarification be sought from the Suffolk Association of Local Councils for the next Town Council meeting regarding the responsibilities that fall to a Parish / Town Council associated with grit bins and the provision of equipment for volunteers in particular, given the budget implications for this.
2. That the latest draft for the next edition of the Town Council Newsletter be circulated to all members of the Town Council for comment (using Publisher software).

(i) Public Questions

There being no further questions from the public, the public participation session ended and the Town Council re-opened its meeting to consider formal items of business.

**6 CHANGE IN THE ORDER OF BUSINESS**

The Chairman reported that the order of business would be changed to enable Agenda Item 5(a)(iv) - Letter from East Anglia Transport Museum about traffic flow at Chapel Road to be to be considered as the next item of business.

It was reported that a letter had been received from the East Anglia Transport Museum which raised road safety concerns, on behalf of the community, regarding traffic problems being caused by the Badger Homes building site on Chapel Road. Specifically, vehicles associated with the building works were parking on the side verge, forcing cars into the middle of the road, causing tail-backs to the roundabout.

**RESOLVED**

1. That the road safety concerns associated with works traffic from the Badger Homes site on Chapel Road be referred to the Highways Department at Suffolk County Council.
2. That the same concerns be referred to Suffolk Police.
3. That the Badger Homes planning application for the Chapel Road site be reviewed to verify whether any consultations / representations were made in respect of road traffic and / or works vehicles.

FOLLOWING THE CONSIDERATION OF THIS ITEM, THE ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR ALL OUTSTANDING AGENDA ITEMS OF BUSINESS WAS FOLLOWED.

**7 UPDATE REPORTS**

The Town Council received updates on actions arising from a number of issues considered at the last meeting.

**RESOLVED**

That the update reports be received.

**8 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

The Town Council received updates on the exchange of correspondence on the following issues:

(a) Town Council Vacancy

It was reported that the current vacancy on the Town Council had been advertised. Confirmation was given that the vacancy would be publicised in the next edition of the Newsletter.

(b) Suffolk Association of Local Council (SALC) - Council of the Year Award 2013

The Chairman reported that the Town Council had been presented with a 'Council of the Year Award' for the medium / large category with regard to the Carlton Colville Youth Council. The award was presented at the SALC Annual General Meeting. Assistance had been sought from Waveney District Council regarding wider publicity of the receipt of the award.

(c) Insurance Issues relating to Grit Bins

This item had been addressed under Minute 5(h).

**9 RECEIPT OF TOWN COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**RESOLVED**

That the Minutes of the following Town Council Committee meetings be received:

- Planning Committee – 6 November 2013
- Planning Committee – 19 November 2013

- Amenities Committee – 19 November 2013
- Precept Meeting – 19 November 2013

## **10 CHEQUES FOR SIGNATURE**

Approval was sought for payment of two cheques.

### **RESOLVED**

That approval be given for payment of the following cheques:

- (1) Norse Commercial Services for the sum of £112.50
- (2) Groundwork for the sum of £10891.77

## **11 CO-OPERATIVE BANK DEPOSIT**

The Chairman gave a verbal update on the latest position with regard to Town Council monies held in the Co-Operative Building Society. Confirmation was given that funds were held within a savings bond and the Town Council could not access the funds until February 2014.

It was reported that Co-Operative Bank shareholders had agreed a rescue package but Parish / Town Councils were categorised as a business and so the protections put in place for private savers did not apply. However, a verbal assurance had been given by the Co-Operative Bank that the Town Council's funds would be reimbursed.

### **RESOLVED**

3. That the Clerk and Finance Officer verifies how soon the Town Council monies held within the Co-Operative Bank Savings Bond can be accessed and alternative banking arrangements and accounts be explored in order to spread the risk of monies held.
4. That the Clerk and Finance Officer reports back and provides recommendations on alternative banking options to the February 2014 Town Council meeting.

## **12 TOWN COUNCIL PRECEPT FOR 2014 / 15**

The Chairman reported that written advice had been received from Waveney District Council regarding setting the Town Council precept for 2014/15. It was highlighted that a sum of money needed to be allocated for a new Town Council building.

### **RESOLVED**

That an item be included on the Agenda for the January 2014 Town Council Meeting for agreeing and setting the Carlton Colville Town Council precept for 2014/15.

## **13 UPDATE FROM THE ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE**

The Town Council received a verbal update from the Allotments Committee regarding the proposal to provide 17 allotments on land at Borrow Close.

It was reported that the Town Council had originally sought advice from Waveney District Council regarding any planning permission that may be required for the provision of allotments. The Town Council had been informed at that time that planning permission was not but to cover themselves the Council should apply for a Certificate of Lawful use. However, the Town Council had subsequently been informed that planning consent would be needed for the car park, 2 metre high fencing to the front of the plot and for concrete bases for the sheds. A letter had been sent to the Cabinet Member for Planning & Coastal Management and the Head of Planning at Waveney District Council expressing disappointment at the contradictory advice given.

A meeting was to be held with the contractors on Friday 6 December 2013 regarding the installation of water tanks. Concern was expressed that any delay may mean that another growing season was lost. It was reported that problems were being experienced with residents parking in front of the gates to the site.

### **RESOLVED**

That the Chairman writes to the Head of Planning at Waveney District Council to request that any further charges for planning consent for the allotments at Borrow Close be waived, given that £96.25 had already been incurred on incorrect advice received and the Town Council was submitting the application on behalf of the local community, using public funds.

## **14 DISCOVERY CENTRE GRANT FOR COMMUNITY USE**

NOTE: During the discussion on this item Councillor J Green declared a Local Non Pecuniary Interest as he had been approached to be the Treasurer of the Carlton Colville Community Centre, although the appointment was still under discussion. Nevertheless, Councillor Green informed the meeting that he would take no part in the discussion or voting thereon but remained in the meeting during the consideration of this item.

The Town Council had previously been awarded a grant of £2,000 from the Discovery Centre for family community use. Councillor J Tyler asked the Council to consider using these monies to purchase new full size goal posts for the gage area on the playing field on Hall Road if the Carlton Colville Community Centre trustees decided that they wanted to replace the constructions provided by Waveney Norse which are of wooden construction and approximately 125cm high by 140cm wide and consist of decking planks secured to 3 (evenly spaced) 20cm square posts. An email of complaint had been received from a user of the gage area which has been duly passed on to the Carlton Colville Community Centre trustees for their consideration. No costings were currently available as to how much full size goal posts would cost.

During the discussion on this item it was suggested that Harrod UK (based in Lowestoft) be approached as to whether they were able to offer any support to the local community regarding the provision of new goal posts etc. In addition, it was suggested that once the Town Council had re-considered the request from the Community Centre for grant funding, consideration be given that any surplus grant funds be awarded to the Carlton Colville Youth Council for their skate park initiatives.

### **RESOLVED**

1. That if they have not already done so, the Community Centre be informed that the Town Council would be willing to approach Harrod UK on their behalf to explore what community support there were able to offer for the provision of new goal posts.
2. That the Clerk writes to Carlton Colville Community Centre trustees to understand whether they are considering providing new goal posts on the gage area on the playing field next to the Community Centre in Hall Road and that the Town Council may be able to assist subject to them submitting costs for consideration by the Town Council.

## **15 TOWN COUNCIL ASSETS – RISK ASSESSMENT**

The Chairman reported that approval was sought to incur expenditure for a repairs to the seat on Low Farm Drive and refurbishment of the Town Council sign to address health and safety concerns raised as part of formal risk assessments.

Formal quotations had been sought for the works in accordance with the Town Council's Financial Procedure Rules, however, only one quote had been received. The cost of repairing the seat was £225, whilst the separate works for refurbishment of the Town Council sign was £425. It was highlighted that one of the legs from the sign had become detached and that the replacement of this part should be undertaken alongside the other maintenance works. Additional costs may be incurred for this work.

## **RESOLVED**

1. That approval be given to incur expenditure of £225 for a repair to the seat on Low Farm Drive, to be funded from the Repairs & Maintenance Budget.
2. That approval be given to incur expenditure to a maximum of £500 for re the refurbishment of the Town Council sign, including the replacement of the missing leg on the sign, to be funded from the Repairs & Maintenance Budget.

## **16 UPDATE ON VISIONING DAY ACTION PLAN**

The Town Council received an update on key actions identified as part of the Visioning Day as follows:

- Provision of bin by Baines shop on the Dales – The Town Council was awaiting the replacement of the disappeared bin by the shop before considering installing a bin on The Green. Badger Homes had agreed to fund the installation of a bin next to their new housing development.
- Allotments Project – See Minute 11 above.
- Post Office – The Chairman was working with Coniston with the proprietor of Londis, Fadona Road to finalise the Business Plan for the re-instatement of a post office in Carlton Colville.
- Paint for dog mess – It was reported that the cost of paint for highlighting dog mess as an awareness initiative was £11.99 per tin. The most problematic areas were thought to be the path across the field, Monarch Way on the approach to The Green and Hall Road, although the problem was widespread across the area. The paint was chalk-based and so would eventually wash away and had been utilised by many local authorities for highlighting problems with dog fouling. During the discussion on this item it was reported that there was a dog fouling hotline whereby reported incidents would be removed within 24 hours. Claire Robson (Parent) agreed to test the hotline and give feedback to the Chairman of the Town Council.
- Gazebo for Town Council surgeries – Quotations still awaited.

## **RESOLVED**

That approval be given to purchase 12 tins of orange paint for highlighting dog mess at a cost of £11.99 per tin (discount for multiple purchase to be explored), to be funded from the Repairs & Maintenance Budget.

## **17 LOWSTOFT ARCHAEOLOGICAL PROJECT**

A verbal update was given that the Lowestoft Archaeological Bloodmoor Hill Project had sent an email on 26 November 2013 advising that they were awaiting written confirmation about funding for the project. Representatives were going to Bury St Edmunds to look at the artefacts. Work is due to start on the exhibition in January 2014. Mrs Sayer and the Council were thanked for the help they have given to date.

## **18 NEWSLETTER UPDATE**

An update was given with regard to the publication of the next Town Council Newsletter. As previously reported, problems had been encountered with delivery of the Newsletter and so alternative delivery options needed to be explored. Budget provision was available for distribution of the Newsletter based on the rates charged by the Advertiser. It was suggested that the Carlton Colville Youth Council could be asked to deliver a future edition of the Newsletter on the basis that a donation would be made for their skate park initiative.

Councillor Green was finalising the latest draft of the Newsletter and would email it out to other members of the Town Council for comments. Clare Robson (Parent) agreed to send information relating to the petition for improving road safety at the school for inclusion within the Newsletter. It was expected that the next Newsletter would be available for circulation in January 2014.

**RESOLVED**

1. That the Advertiser distribution service be utilised for the delivery of the next Town Council Newsletter in January 2014.
2. That the Chairman raises the issue of future distribution of the Newsletter with the Carlton Colville Youth Council, on the basis that a donation would be given which was equivalent to that allocated in the Newsletter Distribution Budget.

**19 WEBSITE UPDATE**

An update was given in relation to the Carlton Colville Town Council website. In particular, a link had been made to the Carlton Colville Youth Council website and information given regarding the new Youth Council logo. Further work was to be undertaken regarding promoting the receipt of the Suffolk Association of Local Councils Award and further promotion of the Youth Council activities. It was also reported that the Town Council Minutes would be updated more regularly, although only approved Minutes were made available on the web.

**20 DATE OF NEXT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

Consideration was given to the date of the next Town Council meeting, given that the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday in the month for January 2014 was Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2014 – which was a Bank Holiday.

**RESOLVED**

That the next Town Council meeting be held on Wednesday 8 January 2014.

**21 MATTERS IN ABEYANCE TO BE REFERRED TO NEXT MEETING FOR CONSIDERATION**

Councillors noted the items that were being held in abeyance for the next Town Council meeting.

The meeting concluded at 9.10pm.

Chairman.....Date.....

Minutes

Carlton Colville Town Council Meeting December 2013

Payments to be considered

SALC AGM at Henley for cllrs to collect award JG mileage to Henley chq 1745	£53.30 paid 19/11/2013
Essex and Suffolk Water Co application to connect water to allotments chq 1746	£107.74 paid 19/11/2013
Santander deposit account to prevent account becoming dormant cheque 1747	£10.00 paid 19/11/2013
Clerks Wages for November 2013 including 1% increase backdated to start of year chq 1748	paid 19/11/2013
DB Signs for noticeboard names chq 1749	£100.80 Paid 19/11/2013
Cllr AM expenses chq 1750 cartridge	£10.99 Paid 19/11/2013
Clerks expenses chq 1751, files paper, cartridge	£ 73.59 Paid 19/11/2013
Norse commercial services quarterly clean of all glass bus shelters chq 1752	£112.50
Groundworks for allotments chq 1753	£10,891.77

## **Clerks Report for meeting 4 December 2013**

### **Main items are as follows:**

Venue for meeting on 4 December is Jubilee Room as Methodist Room is already booked by others as TC has not normally had meetings in December in the past.

#### **Grit bins**

Further information now received as requested. Copy of list confirming volunteers to be insured by SCC insurance has been received and list of instructions for volunteers. However more instructions have been received re TC involvement. Advice being sought from Lowestoft Highways and Salc before further action.  
Allotments

#### **Rubbish bins**

Communications going on about Harropdale and bin at Ashburnham Way  
Badger builders has agreed to pay for bin near Applewood.

#### **Risk assessment**

Quote obtained

#### **Newsletter**

Newsletter Distributors are thin on the ground and previous distributor has stopped doing this now. Searched for replacement none found to date. Suggestion has been made to get youth to volunteer. It would provide income of £250 per newsletter distribution.

#### **Co-op bank**

TC is unable to withdraw money from bond. Bank has said it will honour deposits made. (Govt does not insure any deposits that are made by Councils)

#### **Allotments**

Sent off application form.  
Have received notification back

#### **Newsletter**

Put together initial information for newsletter.

6 Carlton Colville Town Council Police Report

**Period 7<sup>th</sup> Nov 2013 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec 2013**

For the above period there were 8 reported crimes in the Parish of Carlton Colville. The breakdowns are as follows.

Common assault 1  
Theft other building 2  
Criminal damage to vehicle 1  
Racial/religious aggravated harassment alarm distress 1  
Domestic non crimes 3

Compared to the same period last year this is a drop from 14 to 8 reported crimes.

As Carlton Colville officers we continue to monitor the speeding and have been out 3 times doing spot speed checks on Lowestoft Rd, Chapel Rd and The Street. This has resulted in 20+ motorists being warned for speeding or being reported.

We also continue to attend the Skate Park on late shifts to monitor the situation. Unfortunately we are still unable to identify perpetrators of crime and ASB at this time, but this area remains on our list of hotspots.

Thank you

Report compiled by PCSO Justin Winn

REPORT FROM EAST ANGLIA TRANSPORT MUSEUM  
NOVEMBER 2013

Arts Council England has advised the museum's application for re-accreditation will be assessed in February.

The Daily Telegraph interviewed one of Management Committee about the difference Heritage Lottery funding makes to a transport or motoring museum. Three paragraphs of the interview were included in the Motoring section of the edition published on 23 November. The newspaper was referred to the museum by the HLF press office. The other three museums featured were the British Motor Industry Heritage Trust near Warwick, the Coventry Transport Museum and the London Transport Museum. We were very surprised with this unexpected recognition and publicity.

There is much activity on the museum site as preparations are made for Santa Trams. The site has to be transformed in quite a short period of time. The first of the Santa Tram weekends is on 07 and 08 December.

We attended the SHARE Museums East conference in Bury St Edmunds. This conference updated us on how museums are changing and the criteria to which we are working. Many of the attendees were in paid positions in museums and it was stated that many of the Suffolk Museums are entirely staffed by volunteers, who work to achieve the same aims.

The museum was also represented at the Community Action Suffolk launch at which there were opportunities to find out when training was going to be delivered in Waveney and if legal updates would be distributed, both subjects being very relevant to the museum.

Evaluation of the 2013 season was completed and sent to the Heritage Lottery Fund.

The Community Centre has been booked for our 2014 AGM. This was commented on favourably by members at last year's AGM who requested booking the venue again.

Finally, work on our many restoration projects continues in the colder weather and progress is being made in cataloguing and archive records.

## Report From District Cllr Paul Light

I didn't realise there was to be a meeting this month and I have another meeting starting at 6.30.

Please accept my apologies for Wednesday and those of WDCllr Grant who will be returning from holiday that day.

This month I have attended a number of training courses and attended a variety of meetings including The Charities Board and Overview and Scrutiny. There has been good progress made with the Water Lane Leisure Centre and it was pleasing to see that the new management structure is confident enough to take on the organisation of the Christmas dip this year. The Marina Theatre is another success attracting a wide range of entertainment at the theatre with a mix of some top London Shows and more specialist events. The suggestion of a new flood barrier has been discussed and there were questions as to what would happen if there was a tidal surge - would the water being held back by a barrier build up and end up adding to any flooding of the 'seaside' of Lowestoft?

Amongst the things I have been contacted about, and followed up are:  
On behalf of the Town Council, Borrow Close application.



## **Report to Carlton Colville Town Council December 2013 IMPACT Detached Project**

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**Impact would like to congratulate the Carlton Colville Town Council for winning SALC Town and Parish Council of the Year Award 2013. This award is so well deserved for all the effort, time and money that CCTC have put into the youth in Carlton Colville. We feel that CCTC is leading the way on how to support young people with the newly formed Carlton Colville Youth Council being a perfect example of this.**

**IMPACT are proud to be supporting the CCYC, we have attended all the meetings so far and have seen their numbers grow. They are organizing themselves very well with the help and guidance of Jill and Peter Tyler already having designed their logo. The Youth Council are now on Facebook and they have lots of great ideas looking to promote the youth and to make a difference to the area.**

**With the town council behind them, we believe that this group of young people have the potential to make positive contributions to the local community in Carlton Colville.**

**December is here and IMPACT will be stopping their weekly visits to Carlton Colville as previous experience has shown that most young people do not venture out very often in winter especially December and January, if we have reports of groups of young people congregating in particular areas, IMPACT will be happy to respond to requests to meet & engage with these groups. IMPACT will also continue to meet and support CCYC during these months.**

## **Report to the CARLTON COLVILLE Town Council on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2013**

### **Highlights:-**

- After meeting with angry Carlton Colville residents on the 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2013 (which was photographed and reported on by `Lowestoft Journal` staff – arranged by Cllr S Barker) to receive a petition against the on-going road safety problems at Carlton Colville CP School Cllr Sonia Barker met with the Cabinet member for Education Skills & Young People Cllr Lisa Chambers on the **26<sup>th</sup> November, 2013** . During the meeting (asked for by Cllr Sonia Barker) at Constantine House, Suffolk County Council the petition was officially received and logged by Democratic Services Officers.
- Cllr Barker was able to set out the concerns of both school and residents. A number of practical options and solutions to the congestion were put on the table at the meeting by Cllr Sandra Gage (Shadow spokesperson for Roads and Transport) and Cllr Barker which have been accepted by the county council as a way forward. Further meetings are planned to look at funding and timescales.
- Publicity in the `Lowestoft journal` on the 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2013 regarding the petition on the congestion on Gisleham Road.
- Meeting on the **27<sup>th</sup> November, 2013** with the County Highways officer:-
  1. re possible parking restrictions on the junction of The Street/Famona Road – deferred as after SCC consultation with residents there was no response.
  2. Re a change to the `No Waiting at any time` area on the junction at Hollow Grove Way – after consultation with residents this was agreed to go ahead.
  3. Grove CP School Carlton Colville – County Highways officer has completed a preliminary check on the road safety issues and has come to the conclusion that there is no space for additional warning signs on the approach to the school. He will keep the road safety issues at the school under review.

### **Other meetings/Issues/Action of interest:-**

Both Cllr Barker & Cllr Byatt contacted the local police during November 2013 about the need to patrol the Gisleham Road/Rushmere Road area during school start/end times at Carlton Colville CP School.

11.11.13 Represented Pakefield Division at the Remembrance Service on the seafront

12.11.13 Meeting at SCC Ipswich re School Transport

14.11.13 SOR Meeting at SCC Ipswich

21.11.13 Scrutiny Meeting at SCC Ipswich

26.11.13 Meeting with the Chair of the Education Scrutiny Committee