
From: Christopher Lambert
Sent: 28 February 2017 13:26
To: suffolkcoastallocalplan
Subject: Planning Policy and Delivery Team - Melton Neighbourhood Plan

Categories: Red Category

Dear Mrs H Hanslip,

I am writing to complain about parking in Melton village paragraphs 5.29 and 5.30 on page 23, the photograph on page 24 titled current parking outside McColls, paragraph 5.31 and in the text blue box on page 24.

I have complained via email to the Melton parish council concerning the illegal parking on the grass / landscaped space opposite the proper car parking space. I am very disappointed that cars continue to park illegally on the this grassland. The land is becoming trashed thereby degrading the aesthetics of the area. It appears to me that the Parish Council wish to claim this land as a car park when it is clearly not. I hope something can be done to stop parking here.

Here are the copies of the emails to/from the Melton parish council.

24 June 2013
clerk@melton-suffolk-pc.gov.uk
Dear Mr Green

This afternoon, I have just passed the lawned area and asked the driver of a Golf, a young chap, why he was parked on the lawn next to the Royal Mail post box. His response was that it was close to the shops and the lawn is trashed anyway . The council has not put in place any barriers to stop him. When asked why he did not use the car park across the road, he said that parking here is closer to the shop. He would not say whether or not he was a local resident.

Since I last wrote I have notice more cars park there on a regular basis so I guess word has got around that it is OK to do so.

I will not be asking any other driver in the future nor write to you again.

Just a very disappointed resident.

Kind regards
Chris

On 23 May 2013, at 07:44, Parish Clerk <clerk@melton-suffolk-pc.gov.uk> wrote:

Dear Chris
Thursday, 23 May 2013

Many thanks for your reply that I will pass onto the working group that is looking into what options are available for that area.

I know they will appreciate your comments and suggestions.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely
Malcolm Green
Clerk to Melton Parish Council
The Lindos Centre
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From: Christopher Lambert
Sent: 21 May 2013 17:42
To: clerk@melton-suffolk-pc.gov.uk
Subject: Re: Parking near Fison House
Dear Mr Green

While I appreciate the need for a car and also a place to park it. Why should our "village green" be turned into a car park to satisfy a few residents when there is plenty of free and appropriate on the road parking areas close by.

I also appreciate your efforts in looking into the matter but I am not in favour of the added expense and the desecration of Melton's only "village green" by creating parking bays which you refer to. If it is not designated as a village green then steps should be taken to make it so.

Melton already has a free car park which residence can use.

I am in favour of improving the look of the village and making the only large lawned space into an area where villagers can relax and enjoy flowers, trees and the wildlife it attracts.

In my opinion the area should have street bollards, raised flower beds, lawned area, fruit trees, park benches and landscaped in such a way that attracts people to enjoy the space without cars encroaching onto the land.

PLEASE NO MORE CAR SPACES - SAVE OUR "VILLAGE GREEN" by keeping it green.

Kind Regards
Chris Lambert

On 21 May 2013, at 16:11, "Parish Clerk" <clerk@melton-suffolk-pc.gov.uk> wrote:

Dear Mr Lambert
Tuesday, 21 May 2013

Thank you for your telephone message asking about the state of the grass verges near Fison House.

You are not the first to raise the issue with the council and our Traffic and Transport Working Group are actively pursuing this very matter.

Unfortunately the land is owned by Suffolk Coastal District Council and they neither have the funding nor the inclination to do anything about the mess that is being generated. Because it is in 'private' ownership the local police are not able to do anything unless the cars parked have no tax disc or something else is wrong with the vehicle.

Judging by the time that some of the vehicles are parked there the majority are not just calling in at the shop – it has been reported that a number of local residents who do not have off street parking make use of it.

What we are doing at the moment is investigating how much it would cost to licence the land from SCDC and then put in hard standing parking bays. As soon as we have the cost estimates and the agreement of SCDC to licence the land council will be looking to see how it might fund the provision of hard standing bays. If this proves impossible an alternative that we are looking at is licensing the land from SCDC and then providing raised flower beds to prevent the land being used for parking.

Hope you will bear with us whilst we try and do something about it.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely

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I am also writing to you to raise the following points

I see that there is land as per page 52 as MEL 12 Local Green Space that includes both the Melton public park and the land belonging to MPMCL.

The plan also describes the MPMCL land as Melton Grange as per page 57. I do not think this name is correct.

On page 34 para 7.20 it states that the Hospital grove is "enjoyed by residents and **local people alike**". As far as I am aware the land is privately owned by each of the MPMCL land owners for their use and NOT for **local people alike**.

Kind regards

Chris Lambert

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