

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GOREFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

HELD AT GOREFIELD SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 2ND APRIL 2013

Present: Councillors Humphrey, Carroll, Holt, Mrs Humphrey, Mrs Hunns,
and Ridley

Councillor Tierney and two members of the public

Apologies: Councillor Mrs Hall and PCSO Dave Russ

289/13 Minutes of previous meeting held on 5th March 2013 were confirmed and signed

290/13 No additional item for consideration

291/13 Councillors Humphrey, Holt, Ridley, Mrs Humphrey and Carroll declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item concerning the Playing Field as all are members of the Playing Field Committee. These Councillors have all been granted dispensation for 5 years and will be able to speak and vote on any items concerning the playing field

292/13 **POLICE LIAISON**

PCSO Dave Russ was unable to attend the meeting but had sent the following information:-

Crimes since last meeting:

Fendyke Lane – burglary – equestrian gear and power tool taken

Back Road – criminal damage to vehicle

Hassockhill Drove – criminal damage – glass in door smashed

Incidents:

Churchill Road - noise complaint

Back Road – Rowdy nuisance – 4 youth on motor cycles in car park

Back Road – Rowdy nuisance – 9 youths on motor cycles – shouting and swearing

Back Road – rowdy nuisance – for sale sign thrown into hedge and mud smeared on windows.

Speedwatch – none undertaken this month

A number of rowdy nuisance issues have been reported in the area of the play park and PCSO Russ has been engaging with the youths who have remained polite and gave their details without any arguments.

293/13 **MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Dog Bin at Green Lane

As Fenland DC have received no complaints regarding dog fouling in this area they are unable to install a bin but should the Parish Council wish to finance one the cost would be £108.69 including fitting to a post. Decided not to go ahead with this at present.

Gorefield VE Day Bank Ac

Councillor Carroll continues to receive correspondence for this even though there is nothing in it.

294/13 **MATTERS ARISING ON THE AGENDA**

(1) **Highway Matters**

Councillor Ridley met with Neil Band Cambs CC Highways Engineer and took him to Black Lane, Churchill Road, Wolf Lane and other problem area. He agreed that Black Lane is in a poor state of repair and he will put in a bid in to get some repairs done. No answer received about the Jointly Funded scheme put in for traffic calming along High Road. Kier Homes have promised to complete the road surface in Oxfield Drive by the end of the year. Neil Band promised to write to all property owners who have overhanging hedges especially in Birds Drove/Mill Lane area. Clerk to let him have the names and addresses.

(2) **Play Equipment**

Bearings on the Tea Cup have been greased by the Chairman but he is of the opinion that the bearings are damaged and need replacing. Fenland Leisure to be approached again.

(3) **Parish Plan**

Public Meeting has been arranged and advertised for 16th April at 7 pm in Village Hall. Mike Barnes from Cambs Acre to attend. Clerk to confirm this with him. Refreshments to be provided. Mrs Hastings has very generously offered to make some cakes.

(4) **New Pavilion**

A new document has been received from Fields in Trust. They have asked for this document to be signed by all the Trustees of the Playing Field Association. As Trustees could change at the next AGM to be held in May Chairman will ask if the signing can be left until after then.

A draft lease is to be prepared for the new pavilion, Chairman and Councillors Ridley and Mrs Hall and clerk have been looking at one used by Tydd St Giles. Clerk to draft a copy using the appropriate points.

There has not been a progress meeting at the Pavilion this month but everything is progressing very well Councillor Holt has hung the doors and the flooring is being laid. A meeting will be arranged shortly.

295/13 **CORRESPONDENCE**

Norfolk Green changes to bus services

Changes to the time table are being made from Saturday 4th May. Morning bus will leave at 9.35 am and return from Wisbech at 11.50am. A later bus will leave the village at 12.10 pm and return at 3.05 pm.

Mayor's Walk

An invitation has been received from the Mayor of Wisbech to join a guided walk around Wisbech for a private viewing of the 2013 Wisbech Arts Festival on Tuesday 14th May.

All other correspondence will be circulated to Councillors

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PLANNING MATTERS

Planning application received:-

F/YR13/0188/F - erection of a 2 storey 5 bed dwelling with car port and associated poly tunnel, wood store/potting shed, green house and chicken coop and formation of pond/reed bed – land west of Pear Tree House High Side fronting Black Lane - Parish Council supports the idea of eco friendly homes but feel that this one is not in keeping with the surrounding area and is development in the open countryside.

Councillor Holt declared a personal interest in the following item and took no part in the decision making process

Proposed residential development – former Dennick’s Yard Back Road

Letter received from Peter Humphrey Associates informing the Council that he has been instructed to investigate the feasibility of a redevelopment of this brown field site in Back Road. Prior to preparing any scheme or proposal for this site he wishes to seek the views of the Parish Council. The Councillors were of the opinion that as this is a very significant site in the village a public consultation should be carried out.

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FINANCIAL MATTERS

Cheques to be paid:

Wisbech St Mary PCC (Village Voices)	£200.00
North Level District IDB (drainage rates)	£262.88
Cambs CC (contribution to LMHI scheme)	£300.00
Peggs Construction (Valuation No 6)	£30,000.00

Balance of Accounts

Current account	£12,358.58
Business Premium account	£5,156.64
High Interest account	<u>£800.86</u>
	<u>£18,316.08</u>

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REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Councillor Mrs Humphrey wishes to give a trophy for the best kept allotment at the annual Fruit and Vegetable Show. Councillor Holt will inform the allotment holders.

Councillor Mrs Hunns queried whether the notice board outside the school was for anyone to use as some advertisements have been taken off. It was confirmed that anyone can use this board.

Next Meeting – Tuesday 7th May 2013 Annual General Meeting

Signed Date