

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GOREFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

HELD AT THE COMMUNITY HALL ON TUESDAY 2ND AUGUST 2016

Present: Councillors: Holt, M Humphrey, Mrs Hunns and
D Humphrey

Councillors Lay and Mrs Clark
One member of the public

Apologies: Councillors Walpole, Mrs Hall and Ms Reynolds

208/16 **Public Participation**

There were no members of the public present who wished to speak

209/16 Minutes of previous meeting held on 5th July 2016 were confirmed and signed

210/16 There were no additional items for consideration

211/16 Councillors Holt and M Humphrey wished to declare an interest under Local Code of Conduct for two planning applications to be discussed later in the meeting

212/16 **POLICE MONTHLY UPDATE**

Councillor Ms Clark had received a district wide report but there were no reported incidents for Gorefield

213/16 **MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Change of circumstances for Councillor Walpole

The clerk has received an e-mail from Councillor Walpole offering his apologies for this meeting and also the fact that he has accepted an offer of work which starts on 1st August which requires him staying away from home during the week for the foreseeable future. He would like to stay on the Parish Council but will be unable to attend the meetings. It was agreed that as Councillor Walpole is allowed to miss 6 meetings before he would have to resign his situation would be reviewed again at the November meeting.

214/16 **MATTERS ARISING ON THE AGENDA**

(1) **Highway Matters**

Information has been received from Adam Cobb from Cambs Highways about his suggestions for speed reduction measures in Wolf Lane. The Police were not supportive of extending the 30 mph out further from the village but the suggestion of a 40 mph buffer was felt to be more feasible. Gates cannot be installed at either new entry feature due to them being in the visibility splays of existing accesses therefore lining and bollards have been suggested. The introduction of a new speed limit is a six months plus process. Councillors all agreed to the proposal.

With regard to the proposal to install safety measures at Chapel Lane bridge entrance onto Back Road. The Highways officer has responded to day by saying he is unable to give a definite yes or no at present as he is still looking to see if it can be done, under DDA regulations he has to maintain certain widths when installing the extra barrier, as soon as he has an answer he will let us know.

(2) **Play Equipment**

Nothing to report

(3) **Streetlights**

Still ongoing a meeting should be arranged during August

215/16 **CORRESPONDENCE**

Devolution Proposals for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough

Feedback can be given by completing the questionnaire at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/devolutionsurvey.

North Level District Internal Drainage Board Parish Council View Day

This is being held on Wednesday 5th October. Councillor D Humphrey will attend another place is available if anyone else wishes to attend.

Copies of all other correspondence will be circulated to Councillors

216/16 **PLANNING MATTERS**

Councillor M Humphrey declared an interest in the following application and took no part in the decision making process.

Application for Prior Approval:

F/YR16/0578/PNC04 – change of use from agricultural building to a 2 storey dwelling (Class Q (a) (b)) at The Old Orchard Mill Lane Leverington – this is not a consultation but Parish Council can make observations – no objections

Planning applications received:

F/YR16/0618/F – conversion of existing barn to a 4 bed dwelling involving raising the height and the erection of a single storey side extension incorporating an integral garage and the demolition of the existing outbuildings – Willow Farm Honeyhill Road – object as this is development in the open countryside with no justification

F/YR16/0629/F – Change of use from signwriters (B1) to 2 bed dwelling – Blacksmiths Shop High Road - supports this application as it will bring a derelict building back into use while also retaining all its existing features.

Public Notice of Proposed Planning Application

Councillor Holt declared an interest in the following application and took no part in the decision making process

Residential Development at Dennicks Yard Back Road – Parish Council would support this application

Planning application approved

F/YR16/0357/F – erection of a single storey extension to existing pre-school building – Gorefield Playgroup High Road

217/16 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Accounts to be paid:

		Cheq No	Nett	VAT	Gross
Village Voices	Annual subscription	100888	£200.00	0.00	£200.00
Peter Thatcher	Grant for software	100889	£110.00	0.00	£110.00

Balance of Accounts

Current account		£24,560.78
Business Premium account	£2,160.57	
High Interest account		<u>£802.28</u>
		£27,523.63

218/16 **REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

Pocket Park – Councillor M Humphrey suggested that as the Pocket Park has been tidied up it would be good to get it done on a regular basis so the brambles do not once again smother everything. Clerk to ask Sam Johnson and Shawn Bowles to contact Councillor Humphrey to arrange a meeting to discuss what is required.

Grass cutting 2016-17 in villages 3 cuts May, July and September and between villages 2 cuts.

Next Meeting – Tuesday 6th September 2016

Signed Date