

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GOREFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COMMUNITY HALL ON TUESDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2015

Present: Councillors Mrs Hall, M Humphrey, Holt, Walpole and Mrs Hunns
Councillor Lay

Apologies: Councillors D Humphrey, Ms Reynolds and Mrs Clarke

121/15 Public Participation

No members of the public attended the meeting

122/15 Minutes of previous meeting held on 3rd November 2015 were confirmed and signed

123/15 There were no additional items for consideration

124/15 Councillors did not have any personal and prejudicial interests under the Local Code of Conduct to declare

125/15 **POLICE MONTHLY UPDATE**

No report has been received

Another “rave” was held in the village last Saturday in the same farm building. The owners have arranged another meeting with the Police Inspector.

Letter received from Emily Gutteridge Outreach Worker for the Peterborough and Fenland Office of the Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Commissioner. Would welcome feedback regarding local concerns and would be willing to attend any upcoming meetings. Agreed to invite her to attend a meeting from February onwards.

126/15 **MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Citizens Advice Outreach Session

Once again the session was very poorly attended. Proposed by Councillor M Humphrey and seconded by Councillor Walpole that the sessions be discontinued. Chairman will contact Citizens Advice Bureau and clerk will advise Parson Drove PC who instigated the sessions.

Notice Board

The proprietors of the Post Office have agreed that a notice board can be put on a new gate that is to be erected at the side of the new extension or on the wall next to it. Councillor Holt to find out what size notice board will be appropriate.

127/15 **MATTERS ARISING ON THE AGENDA**

(1) **Highway Matters**

The Local Highway Improvement Fenland Panel Meeting is to be held on 7th December at Hereward Hall. A representative from the PC can attend to represent the application. It was agreed that this was not necessary.

(2) **Play Equipment**

Maintenance completion form received from FLP for the work they undertook on the safer surfacing around the roundabout. Chairman signed it on behalf of the Council.

ISS are now undertaking the play equipment inspections. The last report mentions problem with gate mechanism, bottom growth needs removing from trees, bear bin door not locked keeps falling off, graffiti on woodwork of multiplay unit and logs rotting.

(3) **Streetlights**

Skanska survey should be carried out shortly. Doddington Parish Council have paid the complete invoice and then invoiced other Parish Councils for their contribution. Invoice to be later in the meeting.

Fenland District Council have agreed to carry on with Concurrent Functions Grants for a further year at the same rate as 2015/16.

128/15 **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

129/15 **PLANNING MATTERS**

None

130/15 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Accounts to be paid:

Doddington PC (streetlight survey)	£61.85
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Balance of Accounts

Current account	£23,209.14
Business Premium account	£2,160.03
High Interest account	£802.80
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131/15 **REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

Councillor Lay has arranged a meeting with Roddons to discuss some of the problems with their houses and estates.

Councillor M Humphrey will put the lights on the Christmas tree outside the Church.

Chairman wished to remind everyone about the e-mail received recently from the Conduct Committee in respect of the use of social media and its potential to the contravene the members code of conduct.

The Leverington Feoffees are considering providing a defibulator for the village but ongoing costs like insurance and maintenance would have to be borne by a village organisation. As Trustees of the Charity Councillors M Humphrey and Holt took no part in the following decision. A final decision would be deferred until it is established what costs are likely to be involved.

The Chairman wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Next Meeting – Tuesday 5th January 2016

Signed Date