

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GOREFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

HELD AT GOREFIELD SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 3RD FEBRUARY 2009

Present: Councillors: Humphrey (Chairman) Mrs Hunns, Holt, Cooke and Carroll
Mrs Rowlands and Mrs & Mrs Harvey

Apologies: Councillor Mrs Hall and PC Coales

269/09 Minutes of previous meeting held on 6th January 2009 were confirmed and signed.

270/09 Extra item to be discussed – Playing Field

271/09 No Councillors had a personal or prejudicial interest to declare

272/09 **POLICE LIAISON**

P C Coales unable to attend meeting. Gave the clerk the following information: Police Panel Meeting to be held at Elm School on Tuesday 10th February at 7.30 pm. Burglary along the High Road one person arrested

273/09 **NATALIE ROWLANDS NOMINATED OFFICER FOR FENLAND DC**

Gave information on two new personnel at Fenland DC – Rebecca Yee Head of Planning and Alan Payne Director of Economic Development and Regeneration.

274/09 **MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA**

(1) **Highway Matters**

Councillor Cooke reported that the interactive 30 mph sign as you enter the village is not activating until cars are nearly up to it.

(2) **Play Equipment**

Fenland DC officer attended a recent Gorefield Amenity Centre Management Committee meeting and gave out questionnaires, the results of these will be used to apply for a grant

(3) **Parish Plan**

Councillors received a copy of information that was compiled by Mrs E Harvey and presented at a meeting held at Guyhirn organised by Cambs Acre to find out what progress has been made since our village Parish Plan was presented to the Parish Council and the Fenland Strategic Partnership. At the present time nothing much has been achieved. A copy of the report was given to Mrs Rowlands so she can pursue the matter at Fenland DC and Councillor Carroll is a representative on the Strategic Partnership and he will be pressing for more action. Mrs Harvey wishes to see a strategy put in place to make

sure issues raised in the Parish Plan are implemented. Gorefield is now to be included in the Village Voices magazine, which covers three local parishes and will be distributed to everyone in the village. This will be an opportunity to get information to the village people.

(4) **Streetlight for Chapel Lane**

A request has been received from a resident of Back Road for a streetlight in Chapel Lane. This has been looked into before and it was felt that the cost could be prohibitive and also the light could affect residents.

We are still waiting for the two new lights to be erected in Cattle Dyke which is take up our allocation for lighting this year.

275/09 **CORRESPONDENCE**

All correspondence to be circulated to Councillors

276/09 **PLANNING MATTERS**

F/YR08/1102/F – erection of a 2 storey side extension to existing dwelling – Nightingale Lodge Wolf Lane – no objections

F/YR09/0005/F – erection of a detached triple garage/garden store/log store to existing dwelling – Parkfield Honeyhill Road – no objections

277/09 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Donations to be deferred until the next meeting

Request received from St Paul’s Church for help with their church yard maintenance – agree to make a payment to them of £900.

The grass cutting account has been received for the playing field for £1,103.33 + VAT agree to pay this

Accounts to be paid

St Paul’s Church (Church Yard maintenance)	£900.00
Cambs CC (Cutting of the playing field)	£1,268.83

Balance of Accounts

Current Account	£493.56
Business Premium Account	£7,252.37
High Interest Account	£5,086.47
	<u>£12,832.40</u>

278/09 **Reports from Councillors**

Councillor Carroll gave a report from CPALC. Les Simms is now a board member. CPALC to undertake more training locally by sending out trainers to

do training for a few neighbouring parishes. CPALC newsletter to be sent out again during February.

Flooding reported at Back Road/Wolf Lane corner also Gote Lane/High Road junction. Fred Hardwick to be invited to attend a meeting.

Dog fouling reported near to the school – dog warden to be advised. Mrs Rowlands will arrange for the Streets Ahead vehicle to visit the village and clean up around the school

279/09

Playing Field Custodial Trustees

It was agreed at a previous meeting that the Parish Council would become custodial trustees of the playing field if that was the wish of the Playing Field Association. They are now having further discussions about this. Mrs Rowlands took away a copy of the legal information which was produced by NALC to find out if the legal department at Fenland DC can help with the process.

Next Meeting – Tuesday 3rd March 2009

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