

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GOREFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

HELD AT GOREFIELD SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 2ND JANUARY 2007

Present: Councillors Humphrey (Chairman) Mrs Hall, Mrs Hunns, Davall, Holt, Carroll, and Cooke

PC Coales

Apologies: John Dubber

1/07 Minutes of previous meeting held on 5th December 2006 were confirmed and signed.

2/07 Additional item for consideration – 3 planning applications received too late to be included on the Agenda

3/07 No Councillors had a personal or prejudicial interest in any of the items to be discussed

4/07 **POLICE LIAISON**

Crimes since last meeting:

- Shed/garage burglary
- Domestic assault
- Theft from motor vehicle
- Smashed window to vehicle
- Theft of trailer
- Theft of vehicle
- Theft of digger

Wisbech and District Neighbourhood – Safer Neighbourhood Panel Meeting to be held on 17th January 2007 at Morrow Village Hall at 7.30 pm. – Chairman and Councillor Holt will attend

PC Coales is now to cover all rural areas with two PCSO's this will add Elm and Christchurch Parish Councils to her work load.

E-Cops not too successful it is better to leave a message on mobile phone.

Reports of buggy going about the village, PC Coales will look in to

5/07 **JOHN DUBBER PARISH COUNCIL LIAISON OFFICER**

Will attend the next meeting.

6/07

MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA

Christmas Tree

Was not able to purchase a pot grown tree big enough. Have decided to purchase a tree probably 5 – 6 feet high to be planted in an appropriate place and left to grow on. For the next few years will purchase a large sawn off tree to be placed near the growing tree.

Council Housing Transfer

Will go ahead – 54% of tenants were for the transfer 46% against. 70% of tenants voted.

7/07

MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA

(1)

Highway Matters

E-mails which were sent to Thomas Emmett have been forwarded to Councillor Hardy – no response yet. Chairman will e-mail Councillor Hardy. Councillors are very disappointed with the responses they are getting from Cambridgeshire Highways. Strongly worded e-mail to be sent to Thomas Emmett and copied to Councillor Hardy. Must have an answer to pass on to the village.

(2)

Fendyke Lane Bridge

Still has not been repaired – e-mail to be sent to Bridge Section asking for their comments.

(3)

Streetlight

Chairman and Councillor Holt have driven around the village looking for any black spots and they did not really find any. It was agreed to start replacing some of the existing bracket lights. The first one to be replaced will be the one outside the Post Office.

There are some faulty lights in the village, all of them have already been reported to the fault line

(4)

Quality Status

It was agreed that no decision should be made concerning this at the moment but it was proposed by Councillor Holt and seconded by Councillor Davall that it should be discussed annually in January.

8/07

CORRESPONDENCE

County Council Budget for 2007/08

Each Councillor was given a copy

(2) **Jointly Funded Minor Highways Improvement Programme 2007-08**

The top four qualifying schemes are: Chatteris (Huntingdon Road), Elm (Main Road, Church Bends), March (Wisbech Road) and Wisbech (Norfolk Street).

(3) **Register of Electors 2006/7**

Available for inspection

(4) **Town and Parish Council Liaison**

To be held at Fenland Hall on 23rd January 2007 at 6 pm. Vice Chairman Councillor Mrs Hall and Councillor Holt will attend. Councillor Davall will be available if needed.

All other correspondence to be circulated to Councillors

9/07

PLANNING MATTERS

Planning application received:

Application No F/YR06/1381/F – Change of Use from agricultural land to storage of touring caravans – Elm Tree Far 632 Leverington Common – no objections

Application No F/YR06/1425/F – Erection of a 2 bed house – land north of Fran Healy The Barracks – re-application made with a smaller dwelling – not in keeping with surrounding area

Application No F/YR06/1398/F – Erection of 1 x 2 bed bungalow involving removal of existing mobile home and demolition of outbuilding – Meadow Farm Allens Drove – Outside the Development Area Boundary. Applicant gives no justification for a development in the open countryside

Application No F/YR06/1399/F – Conversion of existing stables/wagon shed to form 1 x 2 bed dwelling involving removal of existing mobile home and demolition of outbuilding – Meadow Farm Allens Drove – Paris Council object as it does not appear to confirm with Policy H19

Applications refused:

Application No F/YR06/1211/O – erection of 3 bed house with integral garage – land north of Fran Healey The Barracks

Application No F/YR06/1122/O – erection of bungalow with garage involving demolition of existing workshop – land south of Catfield Back Road

**Fenland Local Development Framework Site Specific Proposals
Development Plan Document**

Councillor Mrs Hall took away to look at

10/07

FINANCIAL MATTERS

There ere no payments to be made

Second instalment of Concurrent Functions Grant (£1,265.00) has been paid into the bank

Balance of Accounts

Current Account	£626.51
Business Premium Account	£6,666.74
High Interest Account	£6,267.89
	<u>£13,561.14</u>

11/07

Reports from Councillors

Dogs on the Playing Field – this is not a matter for the Parish Council as the field is run by a committee

Report of mobile home inside agricultural building at Hassockhill Drove

Four Winds Mill Lane - fence on side of highway. F Hardwick to be notified

Back Road – numbering came into force on 1.1.07

Next Meeting – Tuesday 6th February 2007 (Donations)

Signed Date.....