

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GOREFIELD PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD AT GOREFIELD SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2008**

**Present:** Councillors M Humphrey (Chairman) Mrs Hall, Mrs Hunns, Holt and Carroll  
P C Coales and John Dubber

**Apologies:** Councillors Cooke and Davall

125/08 Minutes of previous meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2007 were confirmed and signed.

126/08 No additional items for discussion

127/08 No Councillors had a personal or prejudicial interest in any of the items to be discussed

128/08 **POLICE LIAISON**

No major issues have been reported. At the moment resources are being concentrated on burglaries.

PC Coales will look into the possibility of having extra road markings put opposite the entrance to the Highfield Estate.

Neighbourhood Policing Team Panel Meeting to be held at Elm School on 30<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30 pm.

129/08 **JOHN DUBBER NOMINATED OFFICER FOR FENLAND DC**

The contact for small grants for Village Halls is Mark Oakley 01945 427117 – information requested from last meeting attend by Mr Dubber.

Fenland DC inspection results officially excellent.

Copies of Fenland Eye circulated to Councillors.

Housing stock now transferred to Roddens.

Fenland DC in partnership with Fenland Citizen are organising Youth Achievement Awards.

Cabinet agreed an indicative 3.9% Council tax rise for 2008/9. Members of public can give their views on this at the One Stop Shop on 14<sup>th</sup> January from 1 – 5 pm

130/08 **MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA**

**Village Maintenance**

Hedge cuttings still to be clear away.

Trees in Churchill Road have been cut back but still need to be removed.

Christmas Tree has now been removed from the Church Yard a permanent tree will be put in its place

131/08 **MATTERS ARISING ON THE AGENDA**

(1) **Highway Matters**

Encroachment at Honey Hill Road to be reported again

(2) **Litter Bins**

Agreed to go ahead with the provision of some new bins, possibly at High Road/West End, Wolf Lane/High Road, Gote Lane, Churchill Road, Back Road. Chairman will meet with someone from Fenland DC to discuss where best they can be positioned and make sure they will be emptied regularly.

(3) **Village Welcome Pack**

All the details have been passed on to John Timms

132/08 **CORRESPONDENCE**

**All correspondence to be circulated to Councillors**

133/08 **PLANNING MATTERS**

**Planning application received:**

**Application No F/YR07/1288/F** – erection of a 2 storey rear extension and detached garage – Verdun Fendyke Lane – no objections

**Planning Applications approved:**

**Application No F/YR07/1126** – Erection of 2 storey side and rear extensions to dwelling involving demolition of existing garage – 44 Back Road

**Application No F/YR07/1199/RM** – erection of 2 bed detached bungalow involving demolition of existing workshop – land south of Catfield Back Road

**Planning Applications refused:**

**Application No F/YR07/1099/O**

Erection of a dwelling – land north of St Marks Gote Lane

**Enforcement Matters:**

Old Wood Yard Birds Drove mobile home has now been removed

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**FINANCIAL MATTERS**

**Setting of Precept for 2008/09**

As attached – agreed to set at £5,700

Clerk authorised to issue the following cheques:

Cambs CC (Replacement streetlights)	£2,188.36
(Cheque will be paid on removal of old streetlight column in Back Road)	

**Balance of Accounts**

Current Account	£158.39
Business Premium Account	£6,563.66
High Interest Account	<u>£6,460.03</u>
	<u><u>£13,182.08</u></u>

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**Reports from Councillors**

Councillor Carroll to attend CALC Liaison Meeting Cambs CC budget under discussion

Peter Humphrey has been elected as the new Cambs County Councillor

Unfortunately the Luncheon Club has ceased at moment as the kitchen has closed at The Woodmans

Footpath from West End to Mill Heights needs siding

Playing Field is there any possibility that this could come under the control of the Parish Council. Clerk to do some more research through CALC.

Chairman concerned about the fly poster that were put up advertising a New Year Party and are still left on post. Will ring the number on the posters

**Next Meeting** – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2008 (Donations)

Signed ..... Date.....