

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GOREFIELD PARISH COUNCIL**  
**HELD AT GOREFIELD SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2011**

**Present:** Councillors: Humphrey (Chairman), Mrs Hunns, Holt and Ridley

Mr & Mrs Harvey, Councillor S Tierney, PC Coales and Mr R Spooner

**Apologies:** Councillors Cooke, Carroll, Mrs Hall and Natalie Rowlands

1/11 Minutes of previous meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2010 were confirmed and signed.

2/11 None

3/11 None of the Councillors had any personal or prejudicial interests to declare

4/11 **POLICE LIAISON**

Crimes: nothing recorded. Incidents reported on the playing field. Visits continue to be made but nothing seen. Catalytic converters continue to be taken. Heating oil is being targeted and road gully grates. PC Coales has decided to retire so will probably not attend any more meeting. Chairman thanked her for all her hard work and said the council was very grateful for everything she had done and she would be very much missed by the parish. Everyone wished her all the best in her retirement.

5/11 **NATALIE ROWLANDS NOMINATED OFFICER FOR FENLAND DC**

Mrs Rowlands would not be attending meetings in the future. Fenland DC would be notifying the Parish Council with her successor.

6/11 **MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Christmas tree provided by Councillor Mrs Hall was erected in the church yard.

7/11 **MATTERS ARISING ON THE AGENDA**

(1) **Highway Matters**

E-mail response received from Peter Vale reference extending 30 mph speed limit along High Road. The terminal signs are situated at the commencement of the built up area of the village. Moving speed limit signs out into open countryside is only recommended for bad visibility of the terminal signs, which is not the case in this instance. Substantial cost would be involved (£2000) and would need to adjust the Traffic Regulation Order.

Councillors were disappointed with this response as there are 3 properties outside of the 30mph zone and wish to challenge Mr Vale on this point. Councillor Tierney will also pursue the matter.

## (2) **Play Equipment**

Councillor Carroll was unable to attend this meeting due to ill health but has passed on the following information. The village assets will be included in the inspection log when the adult equipment is installed. Councillors Carroll and Holt carried out an inspection on 29<sup>th</sup> December 2010. All the points raised have now been rectified except the additional matting. Councillor Holt has fitted a rubber stop on the gate.

The bad weather and holiday period has delayed the installation of the adult equipment, but hopefully weather permitting, it should be completed by the end of March. Donarbon have been informed of the delay. Phil Peacock will carry out the next inspection and then an independent inspection needs to be carried out in April.

## (3) **Parish Plan/Street Pride**

Street pride event organised for 8<sup>th</sup> January at 10 am meeting at the Pocket Park. Jeanette Milner has asked if the Street Pride Group be formed into a committee with an elected chairman, treasurer and secretary. She will provide a constitution for the committee and it will be covered for public liability through Fenland DC. She will continue to help with providing resources ie safety jackets, litter pickers etc.

## (4) **Playing Field**

Old pavilion is now being cleaned up so it can be used until a new one is provided. There has been no more progress with this over the Christmas period.

A new bin has been ordered at a cost of £550 + VAT. One side will be for general rubbish and the other for recyclable materials.

## (5) **Child Protection Policy**

An example of one was circulated with the correspondence. Agreed this could probably be modified to suit the council's needs.

### 8/11 **CORRESPONDENCE**

#### **Cambridgeshire Community Services NHS Trust**

Copy of consultation document given to each of the councillors

All other correspondence to be circulated to Councillors

### 9/11 **PLANNING MATTERS**

#### **Applications received:**

**F/YR10/0913/F** – Erection of 5 no dwelling comprising of 4 x 2 storey 3 bed and 1 x single storey 3 bed with garages (amendment to Plots 4 – 8 of planning permission F/YR07/0356/F) – 93 High Road and land east of Elm Haven West End – object to the proposed changes because of the affect they will have on neighbouring property The Beeches do to their size and siting.

**Applications approved:**

**F/YR10/0813/F** – erection of 5 bed detached chalet bungalow in association with existing business – R T Motors Ltd Hassockhill Drove

10/11 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

**Setting of Parish Precept 2011/12**

As per attached. Proposed Councillor Ridley and seconded by Councillor Holt that the Precept be set at £7,500. Agreed by all

**Accounts to be paid:**

Office Key (printer cartridge) £9.79

**Balance of Accounts**

Current Account	£1,421.26
Business Premium Account	£9,149.87
High Interest Account	<u>£76,120.95</u>
	<u>£86,692.08</u>

11/11 **Reports from Councillors**

Missing drain cover High Road/Cattle Dyke Junction

Tyres dumped in dyke in Wolf Lane and along Goredyke Bank

Pot hole at Back Road needs attention.

**Next Meeting** – Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2011

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