

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GOREFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

HELD AT GOREFIELD SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 3RD JANUARY 2012

Present: Councillors Humphrey, Carroll, Holt, Mrs Humphrey, Ridley and Mrs Hall

Councillor Tierney, Mr & Mrs Harvey and Mr & Mrs Hastings

Apologies: PCSO Bogunovic

122/12 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Mr & Mrs Hastings wish to bring to the attention of the Parish Council the poor condition of the road surface in Black Lane where they reside. The road is subsiding at the sides thus making it high in the middle. The water main has burst three times in the last 18 months mostly caused by large lorries using the lane. Councillor Ridley will pass this information on to Neil Band from Cambridgeshire County Highways.

123/12 Minutes of previous meeting held on 6th December 2011 were confirmed and signed

124/12 None

125/12 Councillors Humphrey, Holt, Ridley, Carroll and Mrs Humphrey declared an interest in item concerning the Playing Field as all members of the Playing Field Committee.

126/12 **POLICE LIAISON**

PCSO Bogunovic was unable to attend the meeting but sent the clerk the following information: burglary at Fendyke Lane quantity of jewellery stolen, theft at St Paul's Close money stolen from door step, ASB in St Paul's Close youths climbing across shed roofs, ASB High Road youths climbing on grave stones, ASB Cattle Dyke youths acting anti socially, Black Lane Poaching three people summonsed and vehicle seized. The main perpetrators of the ASB have been identified and appropriate action is being taken. Police request that any incidents are reported.

127/12 **MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA**

(1) Churchill Road Allotments

Farm Business Tenancy Agreement now received for two years from 1st October 2011 and thereafter from year to year.

(2) Check list for Parish Council property in the village

Councillor Mrs Hall will do it this time.

128/12 **MATTERS ARISING ON THE AGENDA**

(1) **Highway Matters**

Highways engineer was informed about the bad state of repair of Churchill Road and has promised to repairs undertaken. Bush has blown across the path along Gorefield Road. Chairman will speak to the land owner about getting it removed.

(2) **Rural Transport**

The new bus route is now in operation and is picking up and dropping off outside the school. The last bus back to the village on a Saturday and during school times is 2 pm.

(3) **Play Equipment**

OGO have been out to look at the piece of equipment that is faulty and have promised to carry out some alteration to it shortly.

(4) **New Pavilion**

Chairman has now received a break down of the costs so an application should soon be made to Fenland DC for more funding

(5) **Parish Plan**

Speed awareness is ongoing outside the school.
Chairman has made enquiries about the funding application for the FACT bus. Confirmation received that it has gone in but it could be a few months before a decision is made.

(6) **Queen's Diamond Jubilee**

Councillor Mrs Hall has been in contact with Fenland DC to find out their views on age discrimination but has received no response. The Chairman has had a response today but could get no definitive answer. A letter should be coming out to all Parishes containing information about the funding. The Luncheon Club would like to request funding for a Golden Jubilee lunch. This will be discussed further at the February meeting and a final decision made as to how any money available will be allocated. One suggestion was made that it should be spent on providing an item for the village.

129/12 **CORRESPONDENCE**

All correspondence to be circulated to Councillors

130/12 **PLANNING MATTERS**

There were no planning applications to be discussed

131/12 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Setting of Precept for 2012/13

Councillors agreed the level of spending for 2012/13 as the attached.

Proposed Councillor Carroll and seconded by Councillor Ridley that the Precept for 2012/13 be set at £9,000. All agreed

Balance of Accounts

Current Account	£8,152.32
Business Premium Account	£5,153.43
High Interest Account	<u>£72,537.66</u>
	<u>£85,843.41</u>

132/11 **REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

Someone seen out quite late at night metal detecting.

Next Meeting – Tuesday 7th February 2012

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