MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GOREFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

HELD AT GOREFIELD SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 6TH JUNE 2006

Present: Councillors Humphrey, Davall, Holt, Mrs Hunns and Cooke

Apologies: Councillors Carroll and Mrs Hall PC Coales

827/06 Minutes of previous meeting held on 2nd May 2006 were confirmed and signed.

828/06 No other matters for consideration

829/06 No members had any personal or prejudicial interests to declare.

830/06 **POLICE LIAISON**

PC Coales was attending Newton Parish Council Annual Assembly before this meeting and hoped to return here later but did not quite make it.

831/06 **GARY GARFORD PARISH COUNCIL LIAISON OFFICER**

Parish Council has now been given a new liaison officer Mr John Dubber Acting Head of Policy and Communications, he will be attending the next meeting.

832/06 **MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA**

New Development off High Road

E-mail from Glen Cavila Twigden Homes site manager. Not at present planning any further work to the development but will look to undertake any works to the ditch once work on the site is underway.

No 32 Churchill Road

Building has been reported to Planning enforcement. At the moment any activity of a commercial nature seems to have ceased.

Allotment at Cattle Dyke

B Pooley will pay the outstanding rent on this once it is confirmed that it is eligible for the Single Payment Scheme.

833/06 **MATTERS ARISING ON THE AGENDA**

(1) **Highway Matters**

High Road, from Gote Lane towards Allens Drove is programmed to be surfaced dressed in July 2006. On completion the carriageway markings will be re-painted along with new 30 mph roundels. It is anticipated that the TRO will be finalised, the new signs erected and the speed limit in place within the next 4 weeks.

Other roads within the area to be surfaced dressed along with High Road are West End, The Barracks, Cattle Dyke, Bona Lane, Birds Drove and Chalk Road.

Ringway Highway Services were paid to raise the gully grate and frame outside The Gote, High Road but failed to do so.

Part of the footway within St Marks Road to be slurry sealed in the next financial year.

The carriageway surface water ponding outside of 'Davlyn', High Road is unfortunately not an isolated puddle along that side of the road as there are several more dotted along. A single gully is not the answer, a more positive drainage system along that side of the road is required. A R&R proposal for the 2007/2008 financial year for a new surface water system will be put forward.

The access road to the new development off High Road is not public highway and is not maintained by this Council. The matter has been passed to the Council's Section 38 officer asking if she can help alleviate the situation.

The owners of 'Chiltern House', High Road have been requested to cut back the hedge to the boundary of their property.

(2) **Parish Plan**

Already for printing, front to be in colour

(3) **Village Welcome Pack**

This matter will follow on after the Parish Plan completed

834/06 **CORRESPONDENCE**

CALC Bulletin April 2006 circulated to Councillors

Developing the Role of the Locality Task Groups to create Safer Neighbourhood Panels

Invitation to attend this event on Tuesday 22nd June at The Oliver Cromwell Hotel March at 5-15 pm.

Cambs & Peterborough Distraction Burglary & Rogue Trader Task Force

Parish Councillors are welcome to attend any of their meetings contact can be made to Shirley Simpson on 01480 428109.

Cambs CC Development in Heavy Commercial Vehicle Controls

An on-line routing system for HCV drivers is available at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/transport/managing follow link to commercial vehicles.

Cambs CC Stopping up the highway in Back Road

An application has been made to stop up part of the highway in Back Rod – the entrance to the Halifax site. Parish Council have no objections to this as it could stop the amount of heavy traffic using the Back Road

Fenland DC Notification of Chairman and Vice Chairman

On 11th May 2006 Councillor Mrs Pam Potts was elected Chairman and Mrs Ursula Cuffe was elected Vice Chairman of Fenland DC.

Jointly Funded Minor Highway Improvements 2007/08 Bidding Round

Will be discussed further at next meeting, to be submitted by 28th July 2006. One suggestion was footway from St Paul's Close to Back Road.

Village of the Year Finalists Evening

To be held Thursday 29th June. Chairman may be able to attend

All other correspondence to be circulated to Councillors

835/06 **PLANNING MATTERS**

Planning applications received:

Application No F/YR06/0481/O – Erection of a 3 bed house – land south of 17 Churchill Road – not in keeping with area, will set a precedent and lack of amenity space with existing dwelling

Application No F/YR06/0565/F – Conversion of existing garage to garden room and erection of a detached double garage to front of existing dwelling – Oakleigh House 104 High Road – no objections

Application No F/YR06/0605/CERTLU – Certificate of Lawful Use (existing): Use of land for general haulage, storage and distribution – Elm Tree Farm 632 Leverington Common – carried on probably for approximately 50 years as long as any of the Councillors can remember.

Applications Approved:

Application No F/YR06/0148/F – erection of a 2 storey side extension to existing dwelling – Christmas Cottage Goredike Bank

Applications Refused:

Application No F/YR06/0307/O – erection of a dwelling involving demolition of existing ground floor annex – land west of Quo Vadis Back Road

Application No F/YR06/0400/F – Siting of mobile home, container and portacabin – land east of Pleasant View Bona Lane

836/06 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

There were no receipts or payments to be made

Balance of Accounts

Current Account	£570.03
Business Premium Account	£3,310.23
High Interest Account	£4,227.23
	£8,107.49

Auditors Certificate

Annual internal auditors report has now been signed off with no comments made. Councillors were able to answer yes to all the questions on the Statement of Assurance. Chairman and clerk signed on behalf of the Council.

FENDIS – Disability Golf and Fun Day

Request for a donation. Decided that the Council had no knowledge of any local person involved with this so decided not to make a donation at this time.

837/06 **REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

Fendyke Lane bridge still not repaired.

Broken drain cover in the grass verge on access road to new development. Also new footpath not finished off properly. Both matters to be reported to Twigden Homes

Verge cutting has now started.

Christmas tree which was put in the Church Yard has died. Councillor Cooke will look around for a replacement. Also tree in pocket park has been vandalised. A replacement to be found for this and a metal tree support to be supplied to give it a better chance of surviving.

Next Meeting – Tuesday 4th July 2006

Signed …… Date……