

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GOREFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

HELD AT GOREFIELD SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 4TH JUNE 2013

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

PCSO Andy Bush and two members of the public

Apologies: None

310/13 **Public Participation**

A member of the public wished to bring up about the poor condition of the Chapel burial ground. This is owned by the Pentecostal Church and it is their responsibility to look after it. Clerk will write to Bob Olier at Fenland DC to see if he can make any suggestions. Street Pride did tidy it up last year but it is not really their responsibility as it is privately own. One suggestion made was for a group to be formed from people who have family graves there.

311/13 Minutes of previous meeting held on 7th May 2013 were confirmed and signed

312/13 Additional item for consideration – none

313/13 Councillors Humphrey, Holt, Ridley, Mrs Humphrey and Carroll declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item concerning the Playing Field as all are members of the Playing Field Committee. These Councillors have all been granted dispensation for 5 years and will be able to speak and vote on any items concerning the playing field

314/13 **POLICE LIAISON**

PCSO Andy Bush attended the meeting and gave the following information:-

Crimes since last meeting:

Harrold Bank – attempted burglary – property entered but nothing taken
Allens Drove – burglary – gypsy caravan and other items taken

Incidents:

Oxfield Drive – vehicle nuisance – quad bike being ridden on children’s play area
Back Road – vehicle nuisance – scooters causing a nuisance
High Road – vehicle nuisance – vehicle parked on junction with engine running

Speedwatch – undertaken 10th May 30 vehicles monitored 4 exceeding the speed limit

There have been a number of thefts from caravans held in storage.

Theft of agricultural navigation systems have occurred across the whole of Fenland including Lincolnshire and Norfolk

Numerous patrols have taken place at the Play Park but no anti-social behaviour has been witnessed.

During the month Councillor Mrs Hall has had a lawn mower and other items stolen from her property. She was surprised that this was not one the list of crimes.

315/13 **MATTERS ARISING ON THE AGENDA**

(1) **Highway Matters**

No information received about the application for traffic calming measures. Black Lane has had some patching done but the triangle has still not been reinstated.

Hedges continue to be a problem. The one at Wolf Lane junction with Leverington Common is overgrowing the road sign. Neil Band to be informed.

(2) **Play Equipment/Playing Field**

Bushes on swings to be replaced. Tea Cup – bearing still to be replaced. Fenland Leisure has been asked for a price for soft pour around roundabout, tea cup etc. Councillor Carroll is going to put in an application to Fields in Trust for this. Lease has been signed by the Playing Field Committee for the playing field and pavilion.

Still waiting for the Bowls Club to sign there's. Still using the water without their own meter. Chairman will try to arrange another meeting with them.

Damaged play equipment at Oxfield Drive has been reported to French Kier and they have promised to inspect it.

(3) **New Pavilion/Playing Field**

The Open Event went off very well and the Chairman thanked everyone for their help.

Peggs Construction have submitted a preliminary final account of £7,711 which would give an overspend of approximately £3,100 but this is still to be finalised. Andrew Humphrey very kindly removed the old pavilion at no cost to the Parish Council. Clerk to write a letter of thanks to him.

(4) **Parish Plan**

A meeting was held on 21st May 2013 for all those who had registered an interest in reviewing the Parish Plan. Most of those who attended would be happy to help distribute questionnaires etc but nobody wished to take the lead on a committee. Rachel Brown from Cambs Acre attended the meeting and she provided a board explaining about Community Led Planning which was on display at the Pavilion Opening event. People could make comments if they wished but no one did. This will be left in the Community Hall for the Show. If there still no interest shown then it will be returned to Cambs Acre and no further action taken at the present time.

316/13 **CORRESPONDENCE**

E-mail received from the School regarding payments received from the recycling credits. April 2010 to March 2011 received £308.17. July-September 2012 received £17.03 and October-December at payment of £29.54 will be made shortly. Payments dropped from April 2011 because the cost of glass collections increased and exceeded the amount of recycling credits. Therefore only income was received for paper collected.

All other correspondence will be circulated to Councillors

317/13 **PLANNING MATTERS**

F/YR13/0297/F – erection of a single storey rear extension with balcony above and detached garage/store with games room over; conversion of loft to living accommodation involving insertion of 5 no roof lights (retrospective) to existing dwelling – Pleasant View Bona Lane - no objections.

Councillors Holt and Mrs Hunns declared an interest in the following item and took no part in the decision making process.

F/YR13/033/F – erection of a 2 storey side extension incorporating rear balcony, single storey rear extension and porch to front of existing dwelling – 7 Cattle Dyke - Out of character with the existing street scene.

Planning application approved:

F/YR13/0017/F – erection of a 2 storey 2 bed dwelling – land west of Magnolia 2 Cattle Dyke.

318/13 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Accounts to be paid:

G McQuade	(Oak notice board)	£235.00
B & Q	(Paint for village sign)	£32.44
Gorefield Primary School	(Hire of school)	£60.00
Gorefield Village Hall	(Hire of Hall)	£15.00
Online Playgrounds	(Brass bushes for swings)	£12.24

It was agreed that the annual affiliation fee of £422.10 for CPALC would not be paid this year.

Clerk to write a letter of thanks to Mr McQuade who supplied the wood for the new notice board free of charge. Also to Mr R Bell who supplied the post for notice board free of charge. Chairman and Councillor Ridley erected the new notice board.

A vote of thanks given to Councillor Mrs Humphrey and Mrs Hunns for painting the Village Sign.

Balance of Accounts

Current account	£1,596.30
Business Premium account	£2,156.64
High Interest account	<u>£800.86</u>
	<u>£4,553.80</u>

319/13 **REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

Councillor Mrs Hunns said what a lovely day it was at the opening of the new Community Hall and Pavilion.

Next Meeting – Tuesday 9th July 2013 Allotment inspection

Signed Date