

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GOREFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

HELD AT GOREFIELD SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2011

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

Mr & Mrs Harvey

Apologies: Councillor Tierney and PCSO Bogunovic

99/11 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No members of the public had anything they wish to discuss

100/11 Minutes of previous meeting held on 11th October 2011 were confirmed and signed with an alteration to minute number 94/11 (7) Councillor Mrs Hall and others are interested in organising a tea for the Golden Jubilee not the Village Hall Committee.

102/11 None

103/11 Councillor Holt declared a personal interest in planning application no F/YR11/0728/F and will take no part in the decision making process

104/11 **POLICE LIAISON**

PCSO Bogunovic unable to attend the meeting but had e-mailed a report to the clerk. Reported crimes since the last meeting: Black Lane cast iron post box stolen, High Road car stereo stolen from motor vehicle, High Road public telephone kiosk windows broken, High Road disturbance outside public house, Wolf Lane ASB on playing field, High Road white van touting for scrap seen hanging around properties. Clerk to e-mail PCSO Bogunovic with a report on all the graffiti that has been done recently.

105/11 **MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA**

(1) **Tenancy Agreement for land rear of 21-31 Churchill Road**

Chairman to query start date as 1st September does not fall in line with the Parish Council's agreements with the allotment holders, which commences on 1st April. Possibly it could be change to 1st October, which would be slightly better. When this is agreed Chairman to sign on behalf of the Council.

(2) **Trees in the Church Yard**

Clerk received an e-mail from Bill Peggs in response to letter sent. An appraisal is to be carried on the trees. Chairman also given the assurance that if any work is required it will be carried out.

(1) Highway Matters

Charles Bedford has e-mailed photographs of a pot hole repair he says was carried out in Back Road. Unfortunately this was not the one in question. Query to be sent asking where it was. Clerk to give further details of the repair, which was outside Merlins near streetlight FPC1.

Councillor Ridley has been invited to attend a meeting for Highway Wardens. Councillor Mrs Hall asked if he could get confirmation about a cold weather plan she had seen in the press. Every winter there is always the matter of liability if snow clearing etc is carried out.

Matthew Pickering has met with the manager of the home at 73 High Road and he has arranged for the hedge to be substantially cut back to improve visibility at the Cattle Dyke junction. Unfortunately this still does not solve the issue for mobility scoters crossing here.

Bus Stop hard standing – still waiting for quotation for the work but from the information already received about road closure requirement etc it will be an expensive exercise.

(2) Rural Transport

Chairman will get an update on funding bid for Fact Bus

(3) Play Equipment

Further information received from Landscape Group re inspections. By make safe they mean put out of commission until the repair is undertaken. Any other items around the village would require a further fee. Proposed by Councillor Carroll and second by Councillor Ridley that the Landscape Group be used for the inspections. Other items in the village to be checked by Councillors ie village sign, seats etc.

The insurance company has agreed to pay out for the seats and bin. Possibly picnic tables would be more useful and easier to secure.

Members of the Playing Field Committee will be removing the roundabout so that the area around it can be levelled and matting replaced.

(5) New Pavilion

A meeting has been arranged for 4th November to meet with Steven Barclay MP and funders.

(6) Parish Plan

Follow up meeting re speeding and parking out side the school has been arranged for 8th November at 2 pm.

(7) Queen's Diamond Jubilee

A request has been received from the Gorefield School for funding for a tea party and help to supply the children in the school with Golden Jubilee coins. It was agreed that Councillor Mrs Hall will liase with the head teacher to see if it would be possible to amalgamate the celebrations together. It was agreed that the Council would not wish to fund the supply of

coins as not all village children would receive them. If able Councillor Mrs Hall will attend the workshop being organised by Fenland DC to help with the organising of events.

107/11 **CORRESPONDENCE**

All correspondence to be circulated to Councillors

108/11 **PLANNING MATTERS**

Applications received:

F/YR11/0728/F – Erection of 2 x 3 storey 5/6 bed dwellings with detached double garage/store and 1 x 3 storey 5/6 bed dwelling with attached garage/store – south of Gorefield House Cattle Dyke – amendments have been made to the original plan including using hedging instead of fencing to rear boundary and changes to the front elevation of two of the dwellings – comments still as agreed previously.

109/11 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Accounts to be paid:

Royal British Legion (wreath) £17.00

Balance of Accounts

Current Account	£7,826.40
Business Premium Account	£5,152.79
High Interest Account	£72,528.62
	<u>£85,507.81</u>

110/11 **REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

Luncheon Club has now been running for 10 years. Sue Beel attended today's luncheon. Group is now the largest in Fenland.

Councillor Carroll attended a Fenland Liaison Meeting where document archiving was discussed. Information to be included with the correspondence.

111/11 **Confidential Item – Tenders for Replacement Pavilion**

A meeting was held with Sam Peggs and the architect to discuss his revised quotation for a brick built building as apposed to the timber framed one. Since then the architect has received two further quotes for the same type of building. These are considerably more than that of Peggs Construction. Councillor Mrs Hall proposed and Councillor Mrs Hunns seconded the proposal that Peggs Construction's tender be accepted. Applications will now be made to funders for the extra funds required. Wren can be approached to help with the fitting out the building they will not fund the capital project.

Next Meeting – Tuesday 6th December 2011

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