# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GOREFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

# HELD AT GOREFIELD SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2008

**Present:** Councillors: Mrs Hall (Vice Chairman), Mrs Hunns, Holt and Cooke

Natalie Culver Fenland DC Head of Policy and Communications

**Apologies:** Councillors Humphrey (Chairman), Davall and PC Coales

224/08 Minutes of previous meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2008 were confirmed and

signed.

No extra items for discussion

No Councillors had a personal or prejudicial interest to declare

227/08 POLICE LIAISON

P C Coales unable to attend the meeting

# 228/08 NATALIE CULVER NOMINATED OFFICER FOR FENLAND DC

Vice Chairman welcomed Ms Culver, who has taken the place of John Dubber as the Fenland DC Nominated Officer, to the meeting. Vice Chairman explained how John Dubber used to bring to the meeting details of initiatives happening at Fenland and take away any matters that the Parish Council would like help with.

#### 229/08 MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA

### **Speed Watch Equipment Training**

Nobody has expressed any interest in under going the training

**Pocket Park** 

Rubbish has been cleared away

### 230/08 MATTERS ARISING ON THE AGENDA

### (1) **Highway Matters**

E-mail received from Fred Hardwick. The intended repairs to the footway within St Mark's Road will not now be taking place. Highways are only doing emergency repairs only until further notice.

Work has started on the replacement of the Chapel Lane footbridge.

#### (2) Play Equipment

Councillor Carroll did not attend this meeting so this item will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Query made as to who will be responsible for the play area on the Highfields Estate once the developers leave the site. At the present time the gate at the entrance appears to be locked.

# (3) North Level IDB visit

Councillor Holt is attending. Councillor Cooke is not now able to attend

# (4) Streetlights

An e-mail has been received from the engineer responsible for the streetlights in the village. He wished to highlight the problems with two streetlight in Cattle Dyke FPC 3 and 4, both are un-repairable and need replacing. One option would be to replace them with streetlight brackets as they are at the moment or have complete new columns put in their places. Query as to whether the prices quoted are for each light or for both. If the cost is £800 for each bracket then clerk to give the go ahead for two new brackets.

### 231/08 **CORRESPONDENCE**

### Fenland Road Safety Campaign Aims and Objectives

Leaflets circulated to all councillors

All other correspondence to be circulated to Councillors

#### 232/08 PLANNING MATTERS

# **Planning Applications**

**F/YR08/0869/F** – erection of a 3 bed detached bungalow with associated parking – land east of 43A Cattle Dyke – Outside the development area boundary and back land development, which is out of keeping with the surrounding area

**F/YR08/0871/F** – Erection of 3/4 bed agricultural dwelling – land south of Little Acre Farm Fendyke Lane – no objections if given an agricultural restriction

### 233/08 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Second instalment of Precept (£2,850) paid into the account

Accounts to be paid:

| Design Site (Web site hosting) | £47.00 |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| Frasers (Land Rent)            | £39.60 |
| Office Key (printer cartridge) | £23.93 |

### **Balance of Accounts**

| Current Account          | £995.34    |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Business Premium Account | £7,246.58  |
| High Interest Account    | £6,068.95  |
|                          | £14 310 87 |

# 234/08 **Reports from Councillors**

Two caravans still stationed at Hassockhill Drove, to be reported again

Very concerned about the parking along High Road during school starting and finishing times which has been made worse because parents not now able to park in front of the Woodmans

The Luncheon Club is to start again at the Woodmans

Flooding outside the Woodmans has been very bad, Fred Hardwick to be asked to have the drains cleaned out again.

| Next Meeting – Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2008 |      |  |
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| Signed   | Date |  |