

Draft Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 2 August 2010 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, Hardwicke

ATTENDANCE

Mrs V. Box

Mr C. J. Newell

Mr A. S. Clarke

Mr D. L. Welbourne

Mrs L-J. Fallows

Mrs F. Welbourne

Mr D. G. Middle

Mr G. R. Littleton attended briefly. **Apologies** due to holiday commitments were received from Mr Butler, Mrs Harrison, Mr Plater, Mrs Oxley, PC Mackie, Mr Drew and Mr Blackburn (GCC). In the absence of the Chairman, Mr Newell took the Chair. There were no **Declarations of Interest**. The **Minutes** of the meeting of 5 July, having been circulated, were confirmed as a true record and were signed by the Chairman. There were no Matters Arising from the minutes.

81/10 CORRESPONDENCE

From GAPTC/NALC: Update leaflet, Being a Good Employer booklet; invitation to Planning Briefing session 6 Sept Upton St Leonards (members would wait for a nearer session)

From SDC: invitation to Neighbourhood Warden Scheme meeting 24 Aug 7 p.m. at Stroud DC (Mr Butler would attend); Talking Transport seminar 23 July (Mrs Harrison had attended)

From GCC: details of cuts to road safety & improvements budget; Local Transport Plan The Clerk magazine; posters for Frampton Country Fair; Police Authority annual Report; request from Cricket Club for siting a shipping container in the Village Hall Car Park (to be considered at the next meeting once the letter had been circulated).

82/10 PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Applications

S.10/1242/FUL ext to existing recycling plant etc at Premier Kitchens, Unit Q1, Quadrant Distrib. Centre (object on noise, emissions and working hours)

S.10/1433/HHOLD Rear conservatory at Fieldview, Sellars Road (no obj)

S.10/1411/FUL new house at Verona Cottage (revised)(comment that the building should be sited further from the Shorn Brook, which runs through the site and should not be culverted or obstructed in any way).

Decisions

S.10/0198/FUL new house at Verona Cottage (refused, too near watercourse)

S.10/0539/FUL replacement extensions at Sunnycot, Green Lane (permitted)

S.10/0774/HHOLD Garden building over swimming pool, Church House Farm Barn (permitted)

S.10/0847/VAR storage height variation at Unit E. Quedgeley TE West (permitted)

S.10/0943/FUL Creation of mezzanine etc at Unit E, Quedgeley TE West (permitted)

Sites Inspection Panel

Mr Littleton had requested a visit to the Green Farm Barn site S.10/0195/FUL which would take place on 5 August (Mrs Fallows would attend, with Mr Middle)

83/10 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Mr Littleton attended the meeting briefly, to report on his council's budget cuts, the abandonment of the RSS and the Standards Board, and the Sites Inspection Panel which would also visit the site of a proposed motorway service station at Brookthorpe.

84/10 **FINANCE & GOVERNANCE**

The following accounts were approved for payment:

Moore Stephens (approved but not signed last month)	£470.00
HM Revenue & Customs (PAYE & NIC)	£123.67
Gloucestershire LGPS (pension)	£178.90
Clerk salary, June	£804.34
Mrs Edwards, June	£317.20
Post Office Ltd, stamps	£20.28
Challenge Fencing Ltd, fence rail repair	£11.75
Greenfields Garden Services, inspection July	£70.50
M & D Property Services, noticeboard repair	£18.00
Direct debit for CCTV	£17.88

Cancelled cheque

It was noted that ch. no. 408 (Dale Haines, July) had been cancelled because he had only done one cut last month and would add it to his August invoice which would include hedging works.

Review of Litter Picker Contract renewal

Mrs Edwards had indicated her willingness to renew the contract at 12/hrs/wk at £6.10 ph for review in October as before. She was unfamiliar with Dales Wharf and had said she would need more time to include it. The matter would be discussed at the next meeting.

85/10 **RECREATION & AMENITIES**

Elmgrove Estate Play Area

The inspection report was signed. Greenfields had been forwarded information on how to grease the roundabout which appeared to have been done. Members discussed the levelling of soil under the swings matting (children had pulled out several of the pegs) but decided to leave this until the autumn when the ground would be less hard. The Clerk would obtain a supply of the special pegs.

Youth Shelter

Use of the anti-climb paint was discussed; it was agreed that it should be applied to the roof, possibly by the Village Hall painter, and a quote would be obtained (including appropriate notices). The old shelter had been covered in graffiti which Phil Drew had promised to remove but the job might have been impossible (Mrs Box to find out).

The Pond

The sign was in the Pond; Mr Freeman had been asked to refix it.

Church Green Ditch

The contractor had estimated £350 for the short section outside The Old Vicarage. The Estate would be asked to contribute half of this cost, but other contractors would be asked to estimate. It was noted that Mr Haines kept the churchyard very tidy.

Noticeboards

M & D had repaired the lock at Westbourne News.

Playing Field Fencing

Challenge Fencing had been asked to estimate for repair of the fencing panels destroyed with the roller which was now secured to a tree some distance away, but had been unable to find any damage; it appeared that the Cricket Club had repaired the fence (Clerk would thank the Club).

The Plantation

There had been no progress on the draft Agreement to transfer the Play Area

Litter Working Parties

Mrs Box had brought litter-picking tools, hi-vis waistcoats, bags and gloves to the meeting for all members, who would arrange working parties.

Street Lighting Switch-Off

GCC had sent a map indicating which lights could be switched off, but would appreciate local knowledge; Lesley Smith had offered to attend the next meeting to brief members about the Scheme and which lights could or could not be included (agreed). The map would be held by Mr Welbourne so that people could consult it.

Gardens Competition

Mr Nines had said he would be happy to retain the Lizzie Prout Cup for a further year in the absence of a winner this year (this was agreed). Mrs Fallows would collect the Small Gardens trophy from Mr Tranter.

86/10 **ROADS & TRAFFIC SAFETY**

Mr Butler had circulated several email messages concerning roadworks. A date for the Church Lane culvert works had not yet been notified.

87/10 **IT & COMMUNICATIONS**

Mr Clarke reported that Mrs Mumford would be using the broadband connection for the next Youth Club meeting at the Village Hall on 20 August.

88/10 **JAVELIN PARK**

Mrs Welbourne reported that GlosVAIN now had a bank account and would be requesting donations towards legal representation to oppose an incinerator. The group was organising a visit to the House of Commons by Dr Paul Connett and a meeting with Mr Neil Carmichael, the local MP.

89/10 **REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

Several heavy lorries in the lanes had been noticed; they often returned the same way so were probably using SatNav.

90/10 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

This was confirmed for Monday 6 September 2010 at 7.30 p.m. with Lesley Smith attending to answer questions on the Street Light Switch-off first.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.40 p.m.

Date Signed