

PAPPLEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY 9th November 2005

Present: **Cllr Mr I Griffiths (chairman)**
 Cllr Mr R Hull
 Cllr Mr D Hubbard
 Cllr Mrs S Roberts
 Cllr Mrs J Robinson
 Cllr Mr S Walker
 Cllr Mr C Womble

Parishioners 1

The meeting commenced at 7.15 p.m.

OPEN FORUM

PC Andy Vale, the local Beat Manager, advised on the latest crime figures. Crime levels were higher, especially thefts associated with motor vehicles. However he explained that some of the increase was because the police now included the area south of the Seven Mile House in Papplewick for reporting purposes.

When questioned about the extra resources being deployed he explained that the new PCSOs were covering the whole of Gedling which resulted in only on day per week being available in the South Newstead ward (of which Papplewick is part).

Margaret Kerr, a parishioner congratulated the Parish Council on the success of the bonfire event. The Chairman extended his appreciation of the help given at the event by members of the public. It was pointed out that more volunteers would be needed next year.

COUNCIL MEETING

1. APOLOGIES

None

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In respect of the agenda item on Donations a number of Interests were declared

Cllr Mrs S Roberts	- Cricket Club
Cllr Ian Griffiths	- Parochial Church Council
Cllr Mr R Hull	- Papplewick Pumping Station

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING 14th SEPT 2005

The minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting.

4. MATTERS ARISING

The Chairman and Clerk had met with Gedling BC to discuss Standards. One aspect that emerged was that the Head of Legal and Democratic Services had not been aware of the Parish Council's concerns over lack of consultation by Gedling BC.

It was noted, that in respect of the licensing application by the Griffins Head Public house to extend licensing hours, the Parish Council would have the opportunity to make further comments six months after the application was approved.

Submissions had been made in respect of both Ashfield DC and Gedling BC Local Development Framework proposals.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

An invitation had been received from GAG5 for a meeting of the respective chairmen of the constituent councils to discuss further strategies. It was agreed that the chairman will attend.

Details of the "Ashfield Local Plan" consultation papers had now been issued. As an adjoining authority the Parish Council had been invited to make comment.

6. ACCOUNTS.

Parish Council General

Income

£604.86	P & L Enterprise Group	contribution towards cost of fireworks
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Expenditure

£223.25	Playground Management	Annual inspection
£ 21.71	Gedling BC	Grass cutting
£ 16.20	Sherwood Office Supplies	Newsletter printing
£710.72	1 st Galaxy Fireworks	Fireworks
£ 43.43	Gedling BC	Grass cutting
£ 21.71	Gedling BC	Grass cutting
£274.95	Everplast	Sloper Bench
£ 12.50	NALC	Subscription

Moor Pond Wood

Income

None

Expenditure

None

7 BUDGETS AND PRECEPTS

The budget proposals recommended by the Finance Committee were presented and agreed.

A net precept of £4704 was also agreed subject to funding support levels being maintained by Gedling BC.

8 PLANNING

No planning applications have been received since the last meeting

9. GAG 5

The next meeting had now been deferred until December.

10. SKATE BOARD PARK

A grant of £17,175 had been agreed by WREN on condition that matching funding is met by the Parish Council. This is subject to a 12 months time limit.

A bid for a further £10,000 of funding from Building Better Communities had received no response as yet.

The quotation for the skate boarding equipment was £38,000 including groundworks.

At present the Parish Council had a capital grant available for 2005/06 of approximately £5,600 plus a further £1,500 in a designated capital fund. In addition the P & L Enterprise group had to date raised £7,500.

Subject to all grants being received there remained a funding shortfall of approximately £5,000 to £6,000.

After discussion it was resolved unanimously that approval be given to commence work on the skateboard park during the spring of 2006 underwritten by Parish Council funds.

It was also noted that budget allocation for this project in future years needs to be uplifted from current levels.

11. PLAYING FIELD

The annual safety inspection report had been received. There were no high risk items identified but a small number of medium risk items were reported.

It was agreed that the Councillor R Hull will co-ordinate any work required to put right the defects in the identified risk areas.

12. HIGHWAYS

Both Main Street and Forest Lane were still subject to flooding after high rainfall. The clerk was asked to take up these issues with NCC, the highways authority.

A number of other concerns were raised over carriageway maintenance issues and the clerk was asked to arrange a site meeting with highway authority representatives as soon as possible to discuss these.

13. DONATIONS.

It was agreed that the following organisations be supported by the award of donations as follows:-

Linby cum Papplewick Parochial Church Council	£ 100.00
Papplewick and Linby Cricket Club	£ 50.00
Papplewick Pumping Station Trust	£ 50.00
Papplewick & Linby Day Centre	£ 50.00

14. REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS

a. Village Hall

Mr John Sanderson has taken over responsibility for reservations.

b. Julian Cahn Trust

Of the six properties five were now occupied and there is a waiting list of 6 couples. Offers have been made to three couples all of which had been turned down.

Current contributions from residents are not covering expenditure. This is causing serious concern. Various options are being considered to resolve this including the possibility of selling off the properties and disbanding the Trust.

b. Linby School

There had been a good response to the "Walk to School Scheme". Issues over parking (by parents) particularly in front of the Horse and Groom Public house were still creating some problems.

15. COUNCILLORS REPORTS

a. Moor Pond Wood Steering committee

Tree felling was continuing. Some timber was now available as firewood. It was intended to commence work in Papplewick Dam Wood during November/December 2005.

An Artist (funded by NCC) will attend the next MWP meeting with a view to placing a memorial within the woods to the various Mills that once were in operation there.

b. Parish Paths Partnership

Cllr Mr Colin Womble advised that he would be attending the NCC seminar 'On the Right Track' at Boughton Pumping Station on the 25th November.

Approval was given to accept the quotation from S P Rose of £126.00 to continue with the grass cutting on Church Lane next year.

c. Playing Field

A grant application is to be submitted to the Building Better Communities fund to replace slabs, hard standing and fencing.

Two new sponsors had been identified for the annual bonfire night event. It was anticipated that sponsorship will fully cover costs incurred in staging the event.

d. Other

Cllr Mrs S Roberts had attended the AGM of NRCC where there had been a speaker from English Nature and entertainment in the form of the Calverton Plough Play

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 11th January 2006

Signed Chairman Vice Chairman

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