

# PAPPLEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held at  
Papplewick Village Hall, Linby Lane, Papplewick  
Wednesday 9th March 2011

Present:

Cllr Mr D McCracken (Chairman)  
Cllr Mrs S Roberts (Vice Chairman)  
Cllr Mr C Womble  
Cllr Mrs G McCracken  
Cllr Mrs M Else  
Cllr Mr L Montgomery

Parishioners and visitors: Richard Hull, Margaret Kerr, Maureen Barker, Roy Taylor, plus one other.

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## COUNCIL MEETING

Minute No.	Action
46/11	<p><b><i>APOLOGIES</i></b> Cllr Patricia Andrews - Gedling Borough Council Ian Griffiths - Village Hall Representative PC Darren Scratchard</p>
47/11	<p><b><i>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</i></b> Cllr Womble - NCC matters Cllr Roberts - Cricket Club Cllr Else - NCC matters</p>
48/11	<p><b><i>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</i></b> The minutes of the meeting held on 17th February 2011 were accepted as a true record of the meeting. Proposed by Cllr. Else and seconded by Cllr. Womble and signed by the Chairman Cllr. D McCracken.</p>
49/11	<p><b><i>MATTERS ARISING</i></b> 26/11 - Conservation Area Appraisal Response Cllr. Else reported on a response she had received from GBC. They apologised for not attending the meeting, some confusion having arisen over dates. They had declined to attend this evening's meeting on grounds that a presentation had been given at the January Council meeting and they had nothing to add.</p>

An explanation had been provided regarding various minor queries:

"I have had brief discussions with Gedling Council's conservation consultant (Tony Player) and with Jason Mordon at the County Council regarding the issue that you raised regarding whether brick or stone is used to block up doorways/windows. I am advised that the advice given may vary depending on the specific circumstances, although it is generally the case that stone should be used where possible in a stone building. However, where the stone surrounding a window opening is in poor condition or if it is considered to be important to continue to show the window opening as such, then it may be appropriate to use brick.

I have also provided some links to information on the implications of conservation area designation for householders, which are broadly that planning permission will be needed for demolition (in most circumstances) and also for:-

- The use of external cladding, stone, artificial stone, timber, plastic or tiles
- The enlargement of a dwelling by addition or the alteration of the roof
- Satellite antennae (dishes) on walls or roofs, facing a highway or on chimneys.

I would emphasise that this should only be used as a very broad guide and we would always encourage people to contact our Development Control team to establish whether consent is needed.

The following links may be useful.

<http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/permission/responsibilities/beforeyoustart/otherpermissions#Conservationareas>

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/1995/418/schedule/2/part/1/made> (the references to article 1(5) land include land within conservation areas). Paragraphs A.2, B, E3, G1(b) and H1(d) "

## 50/11 *CORRESPONDENCE*

The following correspondence had been received and circulated as appropriate:

- 1) Letter from Rev. Canon Turner thanking the Council for the donation of £500 towards the churchyard extension project.
- 2) Rural Voice
- 3) Various advertising materials
- 4) RoSPA Playground checklist
- 5) Clerks and Councils Direct
- 6) Letter from Papplewick & Linby Leisure Enterprise Group enclosing cheque for £2,200 as donation towards new exercise equipment for the Playing Field.
- 7) Applications for the post of Clerk

## 51/11 *CLERK VACANCY*

The minutes of the Personnel Committee meetings on 25th January and 28th February were accepted. The Chairman reported on the applications and interviews that had taken place. It was noted that the successful candidate had been offered the post of Clerk with effect from 1st April 2011.

## 52/11 *ACCOUNTS*

### a) Parish Council Income

Date	£	Payer/Details
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17.2.2011 20.00 Farnsfield Acoustic

ai) Parish Council Expenditure

Date	Chq No	£	Payee/Details
12/01/11	739	9.00	Papplewick Village Hall
15/01/11	740	96.00	JMC Builders
17/01/11	741	16.78	Mrs J Lewis
26/01/11	742	20.10	GBC
26/01/11	743	60.00	Proweb
17/02/11	744	500.00	Linby cum Papplewick PPC
17/02/11	745	81.00	Sherwood Office Supplies

aii) Unpresented Chqs

**Chq No**      **£**                      **Payee/Details**  
Details not available.

**b) Moor Pond Wood** The balance is **£2,926.07**

53/11 ***MOOR POND WOOD***

It was resolved to pay any monies remaining in the Moor Pond Wood account to the Friends of Moor Pond Wood immediately before the end of the current financial year, in accordance with its powers under s.164 of the Public Health Act 1875 (as amended) and s.9 of the Open Spaces Act 1906 (as amended) and thereafter close the account. In the interim, further payments would be made from the account to settle expenditure that had been incurred on the project to-date.

54/11 ***LIS BIDS UPDATE***

Cllr. Else reported that the new village boundary signs were now cast and that they were being painted. Installation of these signs was imminent. The finger-post for the Hall Lane island was also ready to be installed.

Regarding the new Moor Road noticeboard, Cllr. Else had been unable to determine the present position but would speak to Jan Pauley at NCC. The noticeboard would be black and gold in colour.

Cllr Else to speak to Jan Pauley at NCC regarding present position.

The County Council had offered to provide new gated area designed and cast by Malcolm Lane with the name of the park included. There was a lot of discussion about the name of the park prior to the meeting. It is known as The Playing Field by some residents and indicated as this on some local maps. Other residents suggested a change of name to Papplewick Park or Moor Pond Woods Park. There was general agreement at the meeting that although a new accessible gate was needed, the more elaborate named part of the gate may not be in keeping with the park design and could restrict access of some emergency services, so a decision on the park name was not needed. Cllr Else to thank the Council for their generous offer, gratefully accept the new

gate, but decline the inclusion of the park's name.

It was agreed that Cllr. Else would liaise with NCC's contractors regarding access to the Village Hall car park for the Playing Field upgrade works.

Cllr. Roberts agreed to reconsider the Council's insurance coverage on Playing Field equipment once the new items were in place.

#### 55/11 *CONSERVATION AREA APPRAISAL RESPONSE*

Cllr. Womble pointed out that at the last meeting the question of an Article 4(2) direction had not been discussed. GBC were specifically seeking comments on the application of such a direction which would serve to remove permitted development rights as identified in Appendix 1 of the Consultative Draft Appraisal.

After discussion, it was resolved to ask GBC to apply the Article 4(2) direction to the existing Conservation Area only as it was thought inappropriate for the proposed extension areas.

#### 56/11 *PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED*

2011/0066 - Extensions to 34 Main Street - three councillors said they had no objections. Other councillors had not responded.

2011/0127 - Erect dwelling on land adjacent to 1 Hall Mews. Cllr. Roberts had spoken to GBC who had said that it was still not too late to comment. She had responded on behalf of the Cricket Club. It was agreed to object to the application on grounds that the development constituted too intensive use of the site, especially given its close proximity to Papplewick Hall, that access along the narrow driveway could prove unsuitable and that the roof of the house would be clearly visible over the surrounding wall.

2011/0068 - Erect replacement dwelling at 15 Mansfield Road (Seven Acres) - no objections.

#### 57/11 *PLAYING FIELD*

a) General - Richard Hull, as a member of the Playing Field committee, raised the question of who would be placing the order for the new exercise equipment from Wickstead. It was agreed that the equipment will be ordered by Cllr Else and Richard Hull, the Chair of PPLEG.

Richard Hull stated that he would be attending the Play Partnership meeting next week on behalf of the Council.

The next Play Day was still scheduled to go ahead and was being advertised widely by the participants. The amount of contribution from NCC was currently unknown.

b) Inspection Duty Book to be passed from Cllr. Lewis to Cllr. G. McCracken.

#### 58/11 *HIGHWAY MATTERS*

a) Cllr. Roberts reported that she had heard nothing further from Central Networks regarding the proposed sub-station off Church Lane.

b) Cllr. Womble reported on the discussions he had had with the Council's solicitors regarding obtaining a possessory title to Church Lane. The claim had been recently submitted to H.M. Land Registry and the outcome awaited.

c) Cllr. Womble reported that various gullies had become blocked as follows:

- Walter's Hill - three gullies on the western side between the northern end of footpath 7 and Break Lane.
- A60 Mansfield Road - four out of five gullies on the eastern side between numbers 49 and 69.

Both matters had recently been reported to NCC for attention.

d) The Chairman stated that fly tipping had again become a problem in the lay-bys on Walter's Hill. However, Cllr. G. McCracken said that rubbish had today been cleared from the lay-by on Forest Lane.

Cllr. Roberts referred to recent fly-tipping on the Devil's Elbow.

e) Cllr. Roberts said that a street light on Mansfield Road had not been working. She had reported it online to NCC.

f) Cllr. Roberts referred to the recent resurfacing of Forest Lane which had been conducted quickly and satisfactorily. It was also noted that a new larger interactive speed restriction sign had been erected on Forest Lane as promised some time ago.

g) It was noted that large scale patching had been undertaken on the southern end of Main Street and that various other areas along Main Street and Blidworth Waye had been marked out for similar treatment.

h) Cllr. G. McCracken pointed out that when turning right from Mansfield Road onto Blidworth Waye at Ravenshead, there was no 'except for access' plate to the weight restriction sign which formed part of a larger directional sign. Only upon reaching the weight limit signs themselves at the entrance to Blidworth Waye were the 'except for access' plates evident.

i) The Chairman reported on a number of signs which had apparently been erected by local scouts as part of their waste paper collection initiative which were attached to street signs.

## 59/11 *REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS*

a) Village Hall - no report available.

b) Julien Cahn Trust - Cllr. Roberts reported that a milk float had demolished part of a wall which was being rebuilt. Investigations were ongoing into attempted theft of lead from the homes. Refurbishment of properties were taking place this summer, particularly in relation to the replacement of back boilers. The Trust had received free advice in the past on building matters from Ashfield District Council but they were now charging £85 plus VAT just to deal with an enquiry.

Another Trustee was being sought and applicants invited. There were currently four trustees instead of five. Rev. Canon Turner had indicated his intention to stand down as a trustee in 2012. Mr. Bentley was acting as buildings adviser.

60/11 **COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

a) Moor Pond Wood Steering Committee - nothing further to add from comments made during the Annual Parish Assembly.

b) Parish Paths Partnership - Cllr. Womble reported that he had recently walked footpath 5 which was largely in order apart from a boggy area near the culvert on the Moors. Footpaths 6 and 7 were in order when last walked but it appeared some damage had been done to the stile at the northern end of footpath 7 which would be investigated.

Grant application forms had not yet been received from NCC for 2011-12. It was not known whether funding for P3 would continue in the light of cut backs in the Rights of Way department at NCC.

c) Any other business - Cllr. G. McCracken had spoken to the police and GBC regarding the continuing problem of speeding traffic along Moor Road but nothing had been done and she intended to pursue matters.

Cllr. Womble gave details of police visits to the parish as obtained from their web site:

- Lorrywatch 14.3.2011 at 2.00pm
- Street Walk Forest Lane/Linby Lane 21.3.2011 at 12.00 noon
- Street Walk Papplewick Village 24.5.2011 at 1.00pm

The Chairman said he had received material from GBC for the forthcoming parish council elections which was distributed to councillors.

61/11 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**  
**AGM & Full Council Meeting - Wednesday 11th May 2011**  
**7.15pm at the Village Hall**

The meeting ended at 9.30 pm

Signed Chairman .....