

PAPPLEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY 12th JULY 2006

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

Absent None

Parishioners 5

The meeting commenced at 7.15 p.m.

OPEN FORUM

PC Andy Vale outlined the new Police manning arrangements covering the Papplewick area. Shift patterns worked have now been modified which should provide more Police cover for the area.

PC Vale also agreed to bring a colleague to the next meeting to talk about crime prevention and restarting a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme.

Most of the reported crime related to cars parked at public houses. PC Vale emphasised the need to ensure that no items are left in vehicles, irrespective of value, as these prove tempting targets to thieves.

Concerns were raised over planning consent for listed buildings following an issue that had recently arisen. The chairman advised that a parishioner had already written to Gedling BC, the planning authority, about this. It was also reported that this was also being taken up by Paddy Tipping MP on behalf of the parishioner.

The clerk will write formally to Gedling BC about the specific incident.

COUNCIL MEETING

1. APOLOGIES

None

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS 10th MAY 2006

The minutes of the AGM and of the last parish Council meeting were accepted as true records of the meetings.

4. MATTERS ARISING

No response had been received from Ashfield DC re the Papplewick Lane Development. The clerk will continue to follow up with Ashfield DC.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

A response had been received from Nottinghamshire Highways Partnership concerning illegal road signs which are now being removed. The question of signage at Blacksmiths Court will be taken up with Gedling BC.

A letter had been received from Linby School confirming that the Quarry Lane resurfacing scheme will go ahead. It was agreed to withhold sending the donation until work had actually commenced.

Copies of correspondence from a resident of Main Street were circulated regarding concerns over a planning application and absence of listed building consent.

An e-mail had been received by the Chairman from a parishioner in relation to the provision of dog waste bins in Linby Lane lay-by and at the Linby end of the Meadows footpath, a response having been sent accordingly.

6. ACCOUNTS.

Parish Council General

Income

£ 829.82 HMRE

VAT refund

Expenditure

£ 14.89 Proweb

VAT

£ 127.79 S P Rose

Grass cutting

£ 141.75 B Woodcock

Audit fees

£ 91.65 Playsafety

P/F inspection

£ 27.00 Notts Wildlife Trust

Subscription

£ 55.81 Ordnance Survey

Map Licence Fee

£ 36.80 Sherwood Office Supplies

Newsletter printing

£ 26.00 CPRE

Subscription

£ 744.50 Gedling BC

Revenue Aid

Moor Pond Wood Project

Income

£1748.24 HMRE

VAT refund

Expenditure

None

7. PLANNING

The following planning applications have been received

1 Hall Cottages 2006/0362 Fit roof lights to garage
New access steps and door
No objections

10 Forest Lane 2006/0365 New Dwelling
No objections

Altham Lodge 2006/0433 New highway access
No objections

63 Moor Road 2006/0512 New Garage and rear extension
No objections

8 RISK MANAGEMENT

The revised Financial Risk Assessment policy document and risk assessments for the Playing Field, P3 and use of the strimmer was approved. Following discussion, it was also agreed that the draft Event Health & Safety Guide would be amended by the Chairman . It was noted that Standing Orders were compiled in 1997 and required review.

9. PPC PUBLIC/PARISHIONER AWARENESS

This item was deferred to a future meeting.

10. REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS

a). Village Hall

A salaried booking clerk had now been appointed. It is anticipated that hiring fees will be increased to cover the extra costs.

No volunteers have been identified to act as the Village Hall representative.

b). Linby School

No report

c). Julian Cahn Trust

All properties were now occupied

11. COUNCILLORS REPORTS

a). Moor Pond Wood Steering Committee

Tree tagging was continuing.

b). Parish Paths Partnership

Cllr Mr D Hubbard agreed to act as the second Council representative. Attempts were still underway to create a footpath to link Linby through Papplewick Dam. Chris Jackson (NCC) and the MPW steering group are discussing access rights with landowners.

c). Playing Field

Quotations had been received for the excavation work required for the base of the skate board park and for the chosen equipment

Funding for the project will be from grants, monies raised by the enterprise group from Parish Council Funds and unused capital grant made available by Gedling BC during the last financial year and carried forward. (It was noted that this could not be guaranteed by Gedling BC) After some discussion it was agreed that there were sufficient funds available and it was therefore agreed to formally launch the project.

To achieve this a new sub committee would be formed to manage the project. The sub committee would comprise of Parish Councillors and members of the Enterprise group. Initial membership will be:-

Cllr Mr C Womble
Cllr Mr R Hull
Cllr Mr D Hubbard
Mr Stephen Watson

Cllr Mr S Walker
Cllr Mrs J Robinson
Ms Shirley Pickering
Ms Janet Key

The first meeting of the new sub committee will be held on 17th July.

12. CLERKS EXPENCES

It was reported that the old computing equipment was now obsolete. It was agreed that future arrangements would be that the clerk use his/her own computer and that an annual allowance of £70.00 be paid as a contribution towards both the capital costs and charges associated with maintenance of internet access and E Mail facilities.

It was also agreed that the existing PC be scrapped with the hard disk being returned to the chairman.

The Chairman and Vice-chairman recommended that the Clerk be reimbursed the cost of travelling to locations outside the parish, to locations within the parish from the village centre but not to and from home to the village, at the rate of 40p per mile. This was agreed

13. PLAYING FIELD EQUIPMENT

Repairs and General maintenance in respect of playing field equipment have been subject to ad hoc arrangements. This is considered to be no longer acceptable and it was agreed that a contract was needed to cover equipment defects identified during playing field inspections as well as general maintenance. The clerk was authorised to make arrangements.

Cllr. Mr R Hull raised the RoSPA annual safety inspection report and discussed various minor items of work.

14. NALC/RCC COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AWARDS

An invitation had been received to present a submission. It was agreed that the Chairmen would respond.

15. PARISH PLAN REVIEW

This item was deferred to a future meeting.

16. OTHER BUSINESS

It was noted that a satellite dish has been erected facing the main street at Blacksmiths Court apparently without planning consent. The clerk will take this and other items up with Gedling BC planners.

17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 13th September 2006

The meeting end at 10.10pm

Signed Chairman,..... Vice Chairman,.....