

## ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Minutes of a meeting held at 8.00 p.m. at The Memorial Hall 27<sup>th</sup> May 2004

Present : , Ron Cornell, Bridget Wright, Pauline Brown, John Willmore, Kevin Francis and Stephen Williams. Roy Church in the chair. Clerk: Peter Dilloway. Six members of the public

- (1) Apologies: None.
- (2) Minutes of the meeting held 17/4/03 were agreed to be a true record and signed as such by the chairman.
- (3) Matters Arising: There were no matters arising from the minutes.
- (4) Chairman's Report: The Chairman's report had been circulated prior to the meeting and a copy is appended hereto.
- (5) Financial Report:

The clerk did not give a formal report, but circulated the figures for the council's perusal. As at the end of the last financial year the following bank balances were held to the credit of the Parish Council:

Contingency Fund	£1165.83
Current Account	£67.25
Business Premium Account	£1153.24
High Interest Business Account	£2230.05
Total	£4616.37

Income for the last financial year totalled £2523.01 and expenditure £5248.42.

- (6) Great Witchingham Fuel Allotment Charity:  
The Chairman's and Treasurer's reports had been circulated prior to the meeting and are appended hereto.
- (7) Any Other Business:

Pedestrian Crossing. Some members of the public asked when the crossing would be installed. The Chairman advised that a speed monitor had been put in place and the results showed an average speed in excess of 35 mph, which is outside the acceptable parameters for installing a crossing. Further measures are to be put into place to encourage speed reduction. The speed will be monitored again once the measures are in place.

Village Hall. Questions were asked as to the future and location of the hall. The Chairman reported that at present no decision could be made. The Diocese will not make a decision on St. Faiths until Rev. Illingworth has retired and a replacement appointed, which may not for another twelve months. Until the future of Broadland Council's land at Hall Walk is determined, any site for the hall there remains unavailable. The School has had plans drawn up to redevelop the existing hall site with a shared usage in mind.

Play area. The present site was found by some users to be difficult to approach because of the slope down. In tandem with the hall, the future of the play area is also unclear. From October the existing equipment will not meet statutory requirements and will require removal. The provision and location of a new play area could be subject to the outcome of the above plans for Hall Walk and the hall. The Clerk will ask BDC to inspect the play area.

Unadopted roads. One member of the public gave the view that residents of unadopted roads should withhold Council Tax payments until the County Council take responsibility for them. The Chairman explained that national policy is that private roads will only be adopted if made up to County Council standard by the owner beforehand.

Home watch. Following the questionnaire, quite a number are interested in the scheme the clerk will prepare a leaflet drop and put an article in the parish magazine to organise a meeting for all interested parties with the area organiser.

It was reported that a parishioner was cutting the grass on a highways owned verge and piling up grass clippings on the verge in The Street. The sign has also become overgrown. The Clerk will advise NCC highways.

There being no other business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

**Date and time of next meeting: 28<sup>th</sup> April 2005 at 8.00pm**

# **GREAT WITCHINGHAM ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

## **AGENDA 28<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2005**

- 1) Apologies.
- 2) Minutes of the meeting held 27/5/04
- 3) Matters arising.
- 4) Chairman's report
- 5) Financial report
- 6) Gt. Withingham Fuel Allotment Charity
  - a. Chairman's report
  - b. Treasurer's report
- 7) Any other business