

GREAT WITCHINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held at 7.45 p.m. at the Memorial Hall on Thursday 21st December 2000

Present: John Willmore, Pam Thompson, Ron Cornell, Mick Battams and Pauline Brown. Roy Church in the chair. Clerk: Peter Dilloway. The Chairman welcomed John Willmore to the council.

- (437). Apologies were received from Trevor Wright.
- (438). Minutes of the meeting held 12/10/2000 were agreed to be a true record with the exception of minute 435 (v) that should have stated that the Chairman would meet the P.C.C. rather than write. This was agreed and the minutes were signed by the chairman.
- (439). Matters Arising:
- (i). The vegetation on the footpaths around the village has not been cut. The clerk was requested to write again and have the problem resolved.
 - (ii). In the absence of Trevor Wright no information on the progress of the Millennium seat was available.
 - (iii). There appears to no improvement to parking matters in The Street, the Chairman will discuss the problem with our community Police Officer.
 - (iv). The problem of fly tipping seems to now be resolved and all debris has been cleared.
- (440). Correspondence:
- (i). Some correspondence received had been circulated prior to the meeting.
 - (ii). Letters to and from Keith Simpson MP relating to Pimlotts and Attlebridge waste site. See (443) & (445) below
 - (iii). Letters to K.Simpson MP, B.Ravenscroft NC Councillor, S.Woodbridge BD Councillor, Eastern Daily Press, E.Littler NCC. See (444) below.
 - (iv). Letter from Gt. Witchingham pre school playgroup requesting donation or raffle prize.
- (441). Planning Applications:
- (i). Erection of offices and workshop for Lyng Forge at Station Road Industrial Estate. Concerns were expressed that noise may be a problem if work was carried out outside normal working hours. The clerk was instructed to voice these concerns.
- (442). Payments/Financial Matters:
- (i). R. Church. Chairman's expenses of £10.50
 - (ii). Clerk's expenses. To 21/12/00. £14.30.
 - (iii). Renewal of Contract with NCS for maintenance of playing field.
 - (iv). Donation of £10 to Gt. Witchingham pre school playgroup
 - (v). Precept for 2000/01 agreed to revert to 1998/9 figure of £2250
- (443). The Smell:
- (i). There have been few complaints recently within the village, however, residents in the Blackwater area have experienced strong odours and one resident is pursuing the possible of court action against BDC under the Human Rights act.
 - (ii). The Clerk was requested to ascertain the name of a contact at BDC following the departure of John Barber from the Environmental Health Dept.
- (444). Electronic speed restriction signs:
- (i). As mentioned at (440) above the Chairman wrote to various parties to put pressure on NCC on our behalf, and sent the petition to NCC. The response so far is they will monitor the effectiveness of the new speed restrictions at the Porters Lane Junction. The clerk was requested to obtain a report of their findings.
- (445). Any Other Business:
- (i). The Meeting agreed to renew the contract with NCS for maintenance of the playing field.
 - (ii). The Chairman had written to Keith Simpson MP expressing concern relating to leakage from the Attlebridge Waste site into the River Wensum and reported the response, which had come from The Environment Agency. The Agency confirms that leakage does take place but is not considered significant enough to impact the river quality.
 - (iii). Concern was expressed at the availability of Police cover for the village, particularly at night. The clerk was instructed to write to the Chief Constable to air the concern.
 - (iv). There is some evidence that use of the banks of the Blackwater as part of an equestrian cross-country course is exacerbating the problems of flooding which are presently being experienced. The clerk was instructed to raise the matter with the River Wensum Internal Drainage Board.
- (446). Date and time of next meeting Thursday 22nd February 2001. 7.45p.m.

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- (447) Apologies
- (448) Minutes of meeting 21/12/2000
- (449) Matters Arising
- (450) Correspondence:
 most correspondence has been circulated prior to this meeting.
- (451) Planning Applications:
- (452) Payments/Financial Matters)
 Payment of speedsign bill
- (453) The smell.
- (454) Speed limits & Restriction Signs
- (455) Any other Business
- (456) Date & time of next meeting