

GREAT WITCHINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held at 7.45 p.m. at the Memorial Hall on Thursday 14th November

Present: John Willmore, Ron Cornell and Pauline Brown and Trevor Wright & Stephen Williams. Roy Church in the chair.
Clerk: Peter Dilloway.

(534). Co-option of Council Member. The Chairman officially welcomed Steven Williams to the Council.

(535). Apologies. PamThompson gave apologies due to the continued ill health of her husband and has indicated the likelihood of standing down.

(536). Minutes of the meeting held 19/8/02 were agreed to be a true record and duly signed by the Chairman.

(537). Matters Arising:

- (i). The roadside level at Clay Hall farm on the A1067 has been corrected.
- (ii). The Chairman apologised for not having obtained an estimate for the enclosure document, but would pursue the matter when time permitted.
- (iii). John Willmore felt that the Council should have made a larger grant for grasscutting to the PCC.
- (iv). The incidence of motorcycles on Marriotts way has decreased but probably due only to the onset of winter.
- (v). The land adjacent to Hall Walk has now been cut.

(538). Correspondence:

The Chairman had a considerable amount of correspondence, listed below, which he read to the meeting.

- (i). Some correspondence had been received and circulated prior to the meeting.
- (ii). Letter from Eversheds Solicitors acting for Bernard Matthews regarding planning applications at Easco site.
- (iii). Letter from NCC acknowledging RC's letter re Easco planning Application.
- (iv). Letter from Keith Simpson MP enclosing Letter from BDC re Clay Hall Farm outlining that a new plant is the preferred option.
- (v). Letter to BDC Environmental Health dept re proposed variation to authorisation EPA 95/2 S.C. Pimlott & sons.
- (vi). Copy Letter from J.Martin to BDC Env. Health Dept. re Pimlotts variation.
- (vii). Letter from Eversheds Solicitors acting for Bernard Matthews requesting support to objections to EASCO site.
- (viii). Letter to BDC outlining objections to planning applications at Easco site.
- (ix). Letter from Rural Housing Enabler outlining need for affordable housing in the parish.
- (x). Set of copy correspondence from Bernard Matthews plc in respect of EASCO.
- (xi). Copy letter from Norfolk Wildlife Park regarding application from Upper Paddocks to remove agricultural restriction.
- (xii). Copy letters from BDC replying to odour complaint from residents.
- (xiii). Letter from Denise Pead Complaining about the condition of the equipment in the playground.
- (xiv). Letter from NCC regarding drainage at fiveways.
- (xv). Letter to NCC regarding drainage at fiveways.
- (xvi). Letter from BDC Environmental Health dept re proposed variation to authorisation EPA 95/2 S.C. Pimlott & sons.
- (xvii). Copy letter from parish resident to BDC in complaint of Firework displays held at or adjacent to the Bridge PH.

(539). Planning Applications:

The following applications had been circulated prior to the meeting:

- (i). 20021306 70 Fakenham Road single storey side extension. Application passed.
- (ii). 20021263 Bridge Garage Lenwade non illuminated fixed sign on forecourt. Application refused.
- (iii). 20021444 Upper Paddocks Gt. Witchingham Removal of Agricultural restriction/ erection of stables.
- (iv). 20021604 88 Fakenham Road single storey rear extension.
- (v). 20021475 92 Fakenham Road two storey side extension.

(540). Payments/Financial Matters:

- (i). Audit Commission fees for 2001/2 audit. Chq. No. 100328 £58.75. (retrospective approval)
 - (ii). Chairman's expenses. Chq. No. 100329. £18.30.
 - (iii). R. Cornell for litter clearance/War memorial maintenance. Cheque 100330 £55.00
 - (iv). Clerk's expenses to date. Chq. 100331 £30.84.
 - (v). Gt Witchingham School decoration of bus shelter. Chq. 100327 £200.00. (retrospective approval)
 - (vi). NCS grounds maintenance 2nd ½ year. Chq. 100325 £203.49. (retrospective approval)
- All payments approved by unanimous consent.

(541). The Smell:

Several residents have had cause to complain both in writing and by telephone to BDC, during the last few months. The district council is wholly aware of the problems and the subject continues to be pressed home by the considerable correspondence listed above.

(542). War Memorial. We continue to await an approach from the PCC.

(543). Any Other Business:

- (i). Further to the letter from Denise Pead, the Council discussed the state of the play equipment. The equipment has been vandalised in part and is generally in need of maintenance and repair. The Clerk was requested to obtain quotations for repairs.
- (ii). John Willmore reported that despite work carried out on Blackwater lane, the road surface is in awful condition, this is further exacerbated by the number of heavy lorries using the road. A weight limit restriction should have been set for the railway bridge but this has not been done. The Clerk was requested to write to NCC to resolve the matter. Roy Church and John Willmore will hold a site meeting with NCC to discuss the situation.
- (iii). Firework Displays at or adjacent to the Bridge Public House have caused much annoyance to residents. The Clerk was instructed to write to BDC with a view to regulating any further displays. It was thought that one or more displays were held on parish land. The council will not allow displays on parish land in the future.
- (iv). The PCC are to submit an application for outline planning permission for residential use at St. Faiths Church.
- (v). The Council has been approached by Neighbourhood Watch and await interest from residents wishing to participate in the scheme.
- (vi). It was reported that a car has been abandoned at the equestrian centre in Blackwater Lane. The Clerk was requested to report the matter to BDC.

(544). Date and time of next meeting Thursday 16th January 2003 at 7.45 p.m.

AGENDA GWPC – 16th January at 7.45 p.m.

- (545). Apologies
- (546). Minutes of meeting 19/8/02
- (547). Matters Arising
- (548). Correspondence:
- (549). Planning Applications:
- (550). Payments/Financial Matters)
- (551). The smell.
- (552). Conveyance of War Memorial to G.W.P.C.
- (553). Playground equipment.
- (554). Any other Business
- (555). Date & time of next meeting