

GREAT WITCHINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of a meeting held at 7.30 p.m.at Gt. Witchingham School on Thursday 27th October 2011

Present: Stephen Williams, Mark Pead, Jane Wisbey, Kevin Francis and Ron Cornell in the Chair

Clerk: Peter Dilloway, James Joyce (County Councillor) and 7 members of the public.

(1063).Apologies: Chris Cate, Sally Acloque.

(1064).Minutes of the meeting held 28th July 2011 were agreed to be a true record and duly signed by the Chairman.

(1065).Matters Arising. None

(1066).Correspondence:

- (i). Most correspondence has been circulated and that remaining was of only general information for circulation.

(1067).Memorial Hall.

- (i). In the absence of Chris Cate, Norman Wright was asked to give an update.
- (ii). The old hall is now demolished and the proceeds of sale are now held by the hall committee. The site has been fenced off and tarmacked as car park/playground. There is a planning issue over the fence height as the application permitted a 1.2 mtr fence and the posts are substantially higher. BDC are aware of this and are looking into it. Update will be sought.
- (iii). The open day to show the plans was very successful. There were some concerns and genuine objections which are going to be addressed. Hubbards Loke will be the entrance despite objections from Highways.
- (iv). The PC was asked to donate £20 subscription to the Playing Fields Association. It was questioned whether the VH Committee should pay this themselves. Discussion ensued and it was resolved that the PC will donate £20.
- (v). Recycling bins. There are none in the village for public use at this time. Several sites have been discounted because of suitability. There are discussions taking place to site a glass bank on Marriot's Way. Eventually it is hoped to site it at the new hall. The parish receives about £700 annually from bottles
- (vi). BDC have suggested a gentleman's agreement that the PC will be a Custodian Trustee of the village hall.
- (vii). Budget costings are expected in about 2 weeks' time.
- (viii). Present funds are about £60,000. Around £700,000 is needed. Lottery funding constraints have altered such that only deprived areas can apply and Lenwade is not one. The plan therefore has changed so that more speculative development is now included to raise £400-£500K, reduce building costs and seek matched funding against held funds.
- (ix). The Hall Committee was commended for their hard work and desire to bring about a successful project despite the current economic climate.
- (x). It was asked if the educational portion of monies arising from the development and held by NCC would be specifically for GW school. JJ said it would be specifically for GW education though some may go to Reepham High as the nominated secondary school for the area. He added that having funds available and getting hold of them were two different matters.
- (xi). David Sayer asked whether the community were really getting involved in fundraising and to give a simple idea, showed members a flyer for a forthcoming event which should raise about £8K for a particular cause. The committee are trying to come up with simple ideas to maximising fund raising.

(1068).Post Office closure. There have been reports that the building has been illegally entered on a number of occasions. The beat Officer has been notified and the building secured. The Clerk reported that commercial discussions taking place at this time. JJ said that a further re-organisation of the Post office network is to take place and a presentation will take place in mid-November. JJ will update the PC.

(1069). Parish Noticeboard. Resolved to retain existing board for the time being.

(1070). Payments/Financial Matters:

- (i). Precept 2012/13. The Clerk had prepared calculations and after discussion it was resolved to keep the precept at the current level of £3500.
 - (ii). Purchase of new parish printer - £207.05 inc VAT. JW asked why this parish bore the cost whilst the Clerk's other parishes paid nothing. The Clerk explained that it was imprudent to share equipment which would make repayment difficult. Another old printer is used for the other parishes. Cheque No. 100600 £207.05
 - (iii). Donation towards above from GWFAC £85.00
 - (iv). Litter clearance payment to date – R. Cornell Cheque No. 100601 £74.75
 - (v). Clerk's Salary £387.70 & Expenses to date (£102.14) P. Dilloway Cheque No. 100602 £489.64
 - (vi). Audit fees 2010/11 – Mazars Cheque No. 100603 £60.00
 - (vii). Bowls Club – request for donation towards new clubhouse. Members were reminded that the bowls does not have the benefit of a local benefactor and will carry out construction themselves, requiring funds just for materials. After discussion it was resolved that the Council would donate £150. Cheque No. 100604 £150.00
- All payments agreed by unanimous consent.

(1071). Planning Matters

- (i). 20111383 – 8 Kings Head Terrace – first floor rear extension. Members discussed the application and could find no obvious objections. The application will be shown to near neighbours before a decision is finalised.

(1072). Transcription of 1811 Enclosure act

- (i). Due to the Clerk's mother suffering two heart attacks he has been too busy to proceed with the task. The situation is improving and he will get together with Roy Church again in the near future to complete the task. All eleven pages have been transcribed and three pages have been proof read and completed.

(1073). Any Other Business:

- (i). Speed sign. It was asked whether the sign might be updated. Several designs are now available. The present sign is old technology and suffers inaccuracy on a regular basis. The Clerk will investigate.
- (ii). Speeding in Lady's Row/Lake View Close. It is known who is speeding and a Councillor will approach the offender.
- (iii). Speeding in Hubbard's Loke. There have been a number of instances where the same driver (not a resident) has had blatant disregard of speed limit and it was asked whether anything can be done. The answer is no other than to report it to the Police.
- (iv). Remembrance Service. The Chairman was unable to attend this year and asked for someone to step in.
- (v). Clay Hall Farm. There have been no enquiries to let the building and the Council is still seeking to remove the two remaining permissions.
- (vi). There is lot of litter along Porter's Lane, Marriott's Way, Hall Walk and the permissive path between the A1067 and Marriott's Way. The Clerk will arrange for the Highways Rangers to clear up.
- (vii). It was asked who had bought the Wildfire Park. It is only known that the buyer is part of the leisure industry.
- (viii). Noise Nuisance Lenwade House Hotel. The hotel has permission to play music until midnight but regularly exceed that time limit. BDC are aware of this. Any noise nuisance needs to be reported to Broadland by the affected householder in order for the complaint to be valid. The Parish council can do nothing.

(1074). Date & time of next meeting: at The School at 7.30pm Thursday 26th January 2012.

Meeting Closed 8.55pm

AGENDA
**GWPC Meeting – 7.30pm Thursday 26th January 2012 at Gt.
Witchingham School.**

(1075).Apologies

(1076).Minutes of meeting 27/10/11

(1077).Matters Arising

(1078).Correspondence:

- (i). Most correspondence has been circulated

(1079).Memorial Hall (if there is any business to discuss)

(1080).River Wensum

(1081).Post Office closure

(1082).Payments/Financial Matters)

- (i). Litter clearance payment to date (£71.87) - R. Cornell
- (ii). Clerk's Salary £387.70 & Expenses to date (£45.05)

(1083).Planning Matters:

- (i). 2011171 Norfolk Wildlife Park – Certificate of lawful use – no objection awaiting decision.
- (ii). 20111728 54 Fakenham Road – single storey rear extension – no objection permission granted.
- (iii). Saddlebow Incinerator – further consultation.

(1084).Transcription of 1811 Enclosure act – Progress report.

(1085).Any other Business

- (i). St Faith's Church
- (ii). Bottle Bank
- (iii). School Bus pick up (Post Office)

(1086).Date & time of next meeting: Following on from the Annual Parish meeting at 7.30pm Thursday
22nd March 2012