

Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 13th November 2008 at 7.30pm

Present Cllrs. Humphreys, Lineker, Miles, Preece, Straw & Watchorn (in the Chair).

Apologies for Absence. Cllr. Betts and Mr Suthers

Declaration of Interest on items below. None.

Acceptance of Minutes of meeting of 16th October 2008.

These had been circulated and were agreed a true record.

Matters Arising (were reported to the meeting)

Granby Youth Club - a new cheque has now been issued and banked.

Autumn 2008 newsletter added to website at .html

After submitting comment by email to GOEM on EM Regional Plan we have been issued password for future use.

Two new sets of LED Christmas tree lights purchased, these match those purchased in 2007.

Letter of thanks from British Legion for donation to Poppy Appeal.

Correspondence

Communities Dept. consultation on Code of Conduct members & employees.

Shelton Parish Meeting proposed purchase of speed gun by group of parish councils £690. Cllr. Straw reported that 14 now involved in Community Speed Watch with monthly checks using monitor borrowed from Bingham Police station. There has been no problem getting hold of the monitor for one week each month but the proposed purchase does sound easier to use. Cropwell Bishop have a similar monitor so Cllr. S will try to borrow this to trial it.

Communities and Local Government Eco-towns update. Cllr. Straw reported that Newton / Bingham is now on list of twelve falling in ten 'B' sites (1 is 'A' very likely 1 is 'C' very unlikely). Need to keep a close eye on this, await summary / proposal from action group.

RBC Play area funding bid has been successful Keyworth project will receive funding (see folder for tips on applications)

NCC have confirmed footpath diversions around Granby Lodge.

RBC have published for consultation sites for housing that could be developed. It will be for LDF to determine adoption.

CPRE request submission of objection of latest changes to East Midlands Regional Development Plan.

Planning Decisions: Work on trees granted at Village Hall and Greensleeves / Hawthorns Green Lane.

For Consideration:- None to hand

Newsletter Next edition out in January, editor is looking for copy.

Cemetery (no items for discussion)

Village Hall

Donation of crockery by WI and Coffee Shop details of the donation / purchase had been circulated. It was agreed to this purchase with funds being donated by the WI and Coffee Shop. As the purchase had to be made by Credit Card it was agreed to authorise for repayment either Mrs Rosemary Cranswick or Mrs Gail Chamberlain who would be refunded in full from PC funds. The offer from the WI to unpack, check, wash, and stack in cupboards plus packing of old crockery was gratefully also accepted. It was suggested that the old crockery be donated perhaps to a drop in centre at West B.

Sanding of VH floor + provision of skirting. Cllr. Straw reported that a resident has volunteered to carry out the floor sanding and could get the sanders (one for main part of floor a second for around the edges) at a reasonable cost to be paid by parish council. Clerk to advise Cllr. Straw of 5 clear days for work to be carried out.

RBC have no objection to removal of Ash tree from play area. Cllrs Preece, Watchorn and Straw have this in hand.

Cllr. Humphreys agreed to lend a dehumidifier to see if one would improve the VH. Clerk to provider timer.

Consider if we need to retender for grass cutting in 2009

It was agreed that the grass cutting would not be retendered for 2009. Clerk to invite quote from White Lodge.

Freedom of Information Publication Scheme

It was agreed that the new Model Scheme be adopted. The guide to information available under the scheme had been circulated and was approved. Publish guide availability in Newsletter and display at VH.

Parish Plan: update. Consultation of play area improvements held at last Coffee Shop, results not yet available.

Review of village / parish websites

Cllr. Betts had sent written suggestion to amalgamate the existing three sites, Parish Council, Parish Plan and Events. Cllr. Straw reported that PP site has not been updated recently and this will be discussed at their next meeting.

Village event for 2009 update. No report.

Fundraising activities (standard item) Clerk to chase up application to RBC for seat under their Environmental Improvements programme.

Finance Current acct. Bal. £15,287.83 (at 31/10/2008) Res. Acct. Bal. £9,128.91 (at 30/9/08)

Accounts for payment

1047 Clement Keys (Audit) 5.00

1048 John A Cranswick (newsletter printing) 31.06

1049 K. Brockway (refund Xmas lights) 68.07 + 11.91VAT = 79.98

1050 Whitelodge Groundcare (October) 214.00 + 37.46 VAT = 251.46

DD Information Commission (Data Protection Registration) 35.00

The above accounts were agreed for payment.

Councillors Reports

Cllr. Lineker asked about the need to register for Data Protection.

Cllr. Humphreys agreed to draft a letter to NCC about their failure to carry out promised repairs to the fence alongside the Whipling. Copy to Mr Suthers.

Call from clerk to Elton on the Hill Parish Meeting about use of scramble bikes in field at Sutton cross roads, for information.

Cllr. Lineker confirmed that the Christmas tree was in hand. To be arranged by Cllr. Betts and paid for by Cllr. Lineker.

Date of Next Meeting 11th December 2008 (Consider PP Draft, consider draft budget/precept)

8th January 2009