

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday July 14th 2011

Present: Cllrs.Humphreys (Chair), Lineker, Biggs, Straw, Preece and Daw.

Apologies: Cllrs. Betts and Cllr. Cranswick.

Cllr. Humphreys welcomed Cllr. John Daw to the Parish Council.

Declaration of interest: None

Acceptance of minutes of the meeting of the 9th June 2011. These were agreed and signed as a true record.

Matters arising:

Village Hall boundaries: No response to Cllr. Betts letter from Mrs. Holmes. Cllr Biggs still seeking alternative quotes. To be discussed at September meeting.

Best Kept Village: Unplaced this year. Judges' comments to be placed on Village Notice board. Cllrs. discussed how to raise 'community spirit' for this competition and next year to include it as a part of the Queen's Jubilee celebrations.

Correspondence:

Neighborhood priority survey completed. Requested feedback and police presence in the villages. Waste Core Strategy – Consultation 22nd July – 16th September. Clerk to enquire about a bottle bank.

Cemetery:

Box balls to be trimmed this month.

Planning:

For consideration:	11/00881/FUL	Ivy House Farm Granby.	No objection.
	11/00332/CON	Ivy House Farm Granby.	No objection.
Decisions:	11/00332/FUL	Chapel Farm Sutton Amended plans.	Granted.
	11/00332/FUL	Mill Pond Granby	Refused.

Village Hall:

A request had been made by L Brindley for a reduced rate for an evening class. Cllrs decided that no special rates should apply.

Playground reconciliation: £ 690 was still remaining from the Playground grants and this would cover the costs of the work on the football area.

Our Objectives as Parish Councillors:

Cllr. Straw led the discussion and suggested a brainstorming exercise where ideas could be shared. Cllr. Straw to arrange a meeting in September.

Events Committee:

A very successful event. Cllr. Biggs happy to host the event next year. The raffle raised £195 towards the Village Sign. Feedback from the Events Committee at the September meeting.

Finance: Current account balance: £8947.28 Bank Reserve Acct Balance: £9175.16

1st quarter Financial Statement was given to all Councillors.

Accounts for payment

M Lambert (windows)	£10.00	
Hempsteads	£379.40	+ £75.88 VAT
J Cranswick (printing)	£54.44	
British Gas (elect)	£40.87	

Councillors' reports:

Cllr. Straw reported that the notice board by the Village Hall needed repairing. Clerk to organise.

Cllr. Straw reported that he had been in discussions re the damp on the fireplace in the Village Hall. Cllr. Straw to try to remove the paint in the area affected.

Cllr. Lineker reported on how nice the village Pump was looking. Clerk to write and thank the new owners of the property.

Date and time of next meeting: 8th September 2011 at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 20.50 p.m.