

MINUTES OF YARDLEY GOBION PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 4th July 2006

- Present** Cllrs G Crisp (Chair), C Turl, R Westlake C King, A Hutchin, L Potter.
- 2860** **1. Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Ms L Stephenson & Dist Cllr Wilson.
- 2861** **2. Council Matters:**
- a) Declaration of Interest: Cllr Potter declared an interest in Agenda items 6.1 e)
- 2862** **3. Previous Meeting :**
- a) Minutes of Meeting held 6 6 06 were agreed/signed as a correct record.
- 3.1 Matters arising:**
- a) Minute No 2851 5.6 c) - Cllr Crisp advised that he had not attended the planning meeting as the Clerk had been told that he would be unable to speak, and also SNC were unable to advise him when the application would be discussed.
- b) Minute 2857 11 b) - Cllr Crisp advised that the proposals were not radical enough to provide a significant improvement to Wolverton.
- c) Minute No 2849 a) - Cllr King advised that the F & G P Committee had agreed to increase the Clerk's current spinal column point from 19 to 20.
- 2863** **4. Open Forum:** None.
- 2864** **5. Planning:**
- 5.1 APPLICATIONS RECEIVED:**
- a) S/2006/0663/P, Rose Cottage, 37 Moorend Road. Removal of section of boundary wall to form new vehicular access. Cllrs had no further comments.
- b) S/2006/0740/P, 4 High Street – Stone wall approx 900mm high around the garden area. Cllrs had no further comments.
- c) S/2006/0827/P, Homestead Farmhouse, Paulerspury. Demolition of existing farmhouse and erection of replacement building. Cllrs had no further comments.
- d) S/2006/0840/P, 19 Highcroft Close. Two storey extension to rear, porch to front. Cllrs had no objections, but requested that any concerns raised by nearby property owners be satisfactorily addressed and/or resolved.
- e) S/2006/0847/PO, Land at 10 Grafton Road. Erection of a dwelling – outline. Cllrs observed as follows 'We would expect the dwelling to be built in accordance with local vernacular architecture, and would appreciate confirmation that it will fall within the village confines. Additionally, we would request that any concerns raised by nearby property owners be satisfactorily addressed and/or resolved'.
- 5.2 AMENDMENTS:** None.
- 5.3 APPLICATIONS GRANTED:**
- a) S/2006/0172/P, Land on corner of Moorend Road, Yardley Gobion – polytunnels for the protection of growing organic PYO vegetables and soft fruit, customer car park for 23 vehicles. Alterations to site access and siting of temporary building for use as a shop and temporary portaloos. 11 conditions.
- b) S/2006/0580/LB, 4 High Street – Construction of boundary wall at front. 3 conditions.
- c) S/2006/0629/P, 17 Chestnut Road. Conversion of integral garage into kitchen/diner. 2 conditions.
- 5.3 APPLICATIONS REFUSED:** None.
- 5.4 APPLICATIONS WITHDRAWN:** None.
- 5.5 OTHER:**
- a) A/2005/0811/PO, Springfields Farm, Moorend Road (Potterspury Parish). Stockpersons dwelling (Outline). Appeal against refusal of planning permission. Notification of opportunity to attend hearing at SNC on 18th July 2006 at 10.00am. Cllrs Crisp, King and Hutchin indicated an interest in attending the meeting.

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6. Finance:

6.1 ACCOUNTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT:

- a) Clerk's salary June 06 £304.54 (001404).
- b) Clerk's expenses June 06 £0.75p + .15p VAT (001405).
- c) A H Contracts – dog bin emptying service June 06 £44.00 + £7.70 VAT (001407).
- d) Mr D Saxton – caretaking duties for play areas June £18.00 (001408).
- e) Playquest Adventure Play Ltd – safety surface for school play area – £3,600.00 + £630.00 VAT (001406).
- f) N J Blackwell Mowing 2.6.06, 6.6.06, 27.6.06 - £652.94 + £114.26 VAT (001409).
- g) ABB – Public lighting maintenance charges £200.66 + £35.12 VAT (001410).
- h) Enterprise Inns – Coffee Pot field rent 1.7.06 – 30.9.06 (£10.00 + £1.75 VAT). **Paid by S.O.**

6.2 PAYMENTS RECEIVED:

- a) A & L Henson – Horse Field rent - £40.00.
- b) Scottish Widows interest - £299.83.

6.3 TRANSFERS:

- a) Scottish Widows to Nat West - £5,600.00.

6.4 OTHER:

- a) Ratification of donations under section 137 to Macmillan Nurses (£20.00 - cheque 001394)) and Parkinson's Disease Society £20.00 – cheque 001395) in memory of Mrs L Morris. The Clerk had confirmed with the internal auditor that this was in order.

- b) Bank reconciliation 1.10.05 – 31.12.05. A figure of £32,067.86 was recorded which was represented by both bank accounts taking into account cheque no 001355 in the sum of £35.00 which was issued on 6/12/05 and cashed on 6/1/06, £1,100.00 transferred 30/9/05 but not showing in Nat West account until 4/10/05, and £700.00 transferred 30/12/05 but not showing in Nat West account until 4/1/06. Cllr King proposed that this be noted and approved. Seconded by Cllr Westlake. All Cllrs agreed.
- c) Bank reconciliation 1.1.06 – 31.3.06. A figure of £31,329.44 was recorded which was represented by both bank accounts taking into account cheque no 001355 in the sum of £35.00 which was issued on 6/12/05 and cashed on 6/1/06, and £700.00 transferred 30/12/05 but not showing in Nat West account until 4/1/06. Cllr King proposed that this be noted and approved. Seconded by Cllr Westlake. All Cllrs agreed.
- d) Annual Return 31st March 2006. Accounts year ending 31/3/06 – Both sections of the Annual Return (the Statement of Accounts and the Statement of Assurance) were fully discussed. Cllr King proposed that they be noted and approved. Seconded by Cllr Westlake. Approved by all Cllrs.
- i) Cllr Crisp as Chairman and the Clerk then signed the Statement of Accounts on behalf of the PC.
- ii) Cllr Crisp as Chairman and the Clerk then signed the Statement of Assurance on behalf of the PC.
- e) Request for donation from The Old Mail. Cllr Potter proposed and Cllr Turl seconded that £400.00 be granted to The Old Mail, but paid at the same time as last year in October/November, along with other donations. All in favour.
- 2866 7. Committee Reports**
- 7.1 HIGHWAYS/RIGHTS OF WAY/MOWING:**
- a) Reports to The Street Doctor: The Clerk was asked to report the damaged pavement opposite nos 1 and 3 Eastfield Crescent, and the missing green highways A508 sign at the junction with the Potterspur Road.
- b) The Clerk was asked to deliver green ‘Overhanging Vegetation’ slips to properties in Chestnut Road.
- 7.2 PLAYING FIELDS/POCKET PARK/VILLAGE TREES:**
- a) Mr Saxton’s play area inspection report was read out, which noted that in the Coffee Pot field the post holding the gate appeared to have broken off at ground level, and the wire netting had been pulled away from the posts on the side that runs parallel to the Potterspur Road. All Cllrs agreed that N J Blackwell should be asked to re-attach the wire mesh to the wooden posts and repair the gate post if possible.
- b) Play Area Improvements – unfortunately replacing the 2 swings in the School Lane field play area in the short term was proving difficult due to current health and safety regulations concerning play areas, but the designer was considering possibilities. Cllr King advised that he had contacted other suppliers and recommended that the PC used the existing designer if possible. Cllrs were still eager to have replacements installed as a matter of urgency.
- c) Cllr King reported that N J Blackwell had cleared the path in the Pocket Park prior to the planned ‘Picnic in the Park’ on 15th July.
- 7.3 ALLOTMENTS:**
- a) The Clerk was asked to arrange for a further independent inspection of plots prior to the next PC meeting. There are currently 5 residents on the waiting list and the Clerk was asked to contact these to see if they would still be interested in a plot if new allotments were created next year. She was also asked to obtain from NALC details of the PC’s obligations regarding the provision of allotments. Cllr Westlake agreed to measure the horse field and obtain recommendations to improve its condition. **RW**
- 2867 8. Y G Village Hall.**
- a) Report from PC representative (YGVH). Nothing to report.
- 2868 9. Special Projects.**
- a) VILLAGE DIRECTORY 2006 – Cllr Potter advised that he had almost completed his checks to ensure details were up to date. **LP**
- b) www.ygpc.org.uk – Cllr Hutchin reported that he had added some further pictures to the website. Setting up links from other websites was discussed and Cllr King agreed to investigate the possibility of a link from the History Group’s website. **CK**
- c) ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR – N J Blackwell was to be asked to remove the bench by the play area in the Coffee Pot field and re-install it in the north east corner of the field. The Clerk was asked to contact NALC regarding regulations concerning notices in playing fields. It had been suggested that the PC erect signs saying ‘no motorised vehicles’ and ‘no golf’ but Councillors were not sure of the legality of these and if they could be enforced. Also see Minute No 2869 10 d) below.
- 2869 10. Correspondence.**
- a) NCC/Atkins – request to walk round village with Cllrs to discuss 7.5T weight restriction proposal. Cllr Westlake agreed to deal with this on behalf of the PC. **RW**
- b) SNC – Gambling Act 2005 – Consultation on Draft Statement of Licensing Policy. Placed on circulation.
- c) NCC/Atkins Partnership Open Day – Saturday 8th July, Highways Depot in Brixworth from 11am – 3pm. No interest.

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- d) Deanshanger PC - Invitation to meeting with Chief Constable Peter Maddison at Deanshanger Community Centre August 17th at 7pm. Cllrs King and Crisp indicated an interest in attending on behalf of the PC. **GC**
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 - e) Invitation to CPRE Annual Meeting – 28th September at Little Houghton House Garden Room. Cllr Crisp indicated an interest in attending on behalf of the PC. **GC**
- 11. Any other business:**
- a) Cllr King reported that the recent ‘Open Gardens’ event had raised approximately £2,000.00, and that the Church thanked the PC for the use of the Coffee Pot field over that weekend. He would pass pictures to Cllr Hutchin to place on the website. **CK**
 - b) The possibility of a link from other village websites to www.ygpc.org.uk was also discussed.
 - c) Cllrs King and Crisp agreed to carry out work on the noticeboard by the Costcutter to enable it to be used safely. **CK**
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 - d) Cllr King mentioned that he had been told by a resident that penalty fines had been issued in the village to dog walkers who had not ‘poop scooped.’ The Clerk was asked to obtain details from SNC regarding this.
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- 12. Date of next meeting:**
- a) 1st August 2006, 8.00pm in the Village Hall.
- Meeting closed 10.20pm.