

**MINUTES OF THE
GLEMSFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 12th July 2005 AT GLEMSFORD VILLAGE HALL**

024	<u>PRESENT</u>	Mr. C. Parmenter Mr. N. Gurr Mrs. L. Knox Mrs. L. Lord	Mrs. A Watkinson Mr. R. Thake Mr. H. Boone
025	<u>IN ATTENDANCE</u>	Mrs S. Sunderland Mr. R. Kemp	
026	<u>APOLOGIES</u>	Mr. H. Lay Mrs. L. Lord	

There were 4 members of the public present.

027 POLICE MATTERS

The telephone numbers for the police would be put on the Parish Council website/

There had recently been several incidents at the library and the latest had caused most concern. Youngsters were noisy disruptive, using bad language and prevented other library users from making full use of the facilities. At the latest incident, the officer on duty called the police, and was very close to saying he did not want to work in the library again. Other staff did not want to work because of the reputation of the village. The Library would be advertising for the post again but had done this in April and were not successful. Leaflets would be circulated around the village and in schools etc, asking for people and admitting that it is a challenging job. Two Sunday officers were needed who can alternate weeks. The library was being double manned on a Sunday at the moment so that staff do not feel intimidated.

The library now operated a zero tolerance policy so that any trouble makers would be immediately rejected.

028 Minutes

The Minutes of the meetings held on 24th May and 7th June were approved and signed subject to the amendment of the end of Minute 011 in 7th June to read. Cllr. Thake did not support this proposal during this period of council because of the expenses involved.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Watkinson

SECONDED: Cllr. Knox

029 Community Youth Workers

Lisa Weller from Community Education gave an update on what community education are doing.

Although she had not been involved at beginning there were now two detached youth workers working two evenings per week in the village. These were part funded through the parish council and were due to finish at end of September. A full report would be sent to the council at the end of the period.

The drop in at the village hall during the Winter months had proved to be successful but things were difficult over the winter because it is dark, and it is not always appropriate to approach youths with a torch if they are tucked away in a corner. The main concern of the youths were that they would like a facility and they do like activities, which they fund raised themselves over the past few months. There were a number of keen motorcyclists in the village who are quite interested in some of the courses but of course these involve payment.

If the Parish Council wanted to do a once a month facility such as a youth club or drop in community education can provide child protection training etc.

Cllr. Parmenter reiterated that the Methodist church were starting a project to modernise their hall and would be providing a drop in centre which will be open for the whole day. This will be used as a community drop in centre and they will have a part time youth worker.

030 Public Question Time

Bob Richardson said that things had been quiet. He had visited the church yard three times recently and there had been no incidents to report. He had been approached by the footballers who said they wanted another goalpost at the Rec but the chairman stated that the goalpost now in situ was there on a trial basis and if it was used properly and not vandalised, another one would be sited.

Patrick Curry, the chairman of parish plan committee addressed the meeting. After the initial meeting with Suffolk Acre last November things had fallen quiet. Four members of the committee then attended a training course at Suffolk Acre earlier this year. Producing the plan involves a lot of consultation and document producing, plus funding applications etc. The committee called for volunteers and a group of eight has been set up to form the steering committee which included two parish councillors.

It had been difficult to raise widespread enthusiasm and the committee was short of key functions, one being a practice treasurer. The youth of village is enormously important and the committee had been talking to Lisa Weller to find out issues and concerns of young people and how would they could be involved.

031 Suffolk County Councillors Report

Cllr. Kemp confirmed that the locality budget would be reduced by 25% and that the young peoples bus pass system was now likely to be reviewed.

Cllr. Kemp had put a motion to Suffolk County Council reference the closure of Health facilities and also to Babergh's Scrutiny Committee reference Walnuttree Hospital.

032 District Councillors' Reports

Cllr. Young informed the meeting that the licensing committee had met earlier in the day and advised that any applications should be furnished as soon as possible.

033 Clerks Report

The Vice-chairman would ask the church which firm they used for their portable disabled ramps.

The Clerk had visited the cemetery earlier in the day following a call from a distressed resident. A grave had been dug that afternoon for a forthcoming funeral and the soil had been thrown on the neighbouring grave causing great distress to a lady visiting it that afternoon. The Clerk had contacted the funeral directors to ascertain why this had occurred and they would be following it up the following day.

034 Financial Matters**Account Status**

Income	5792.85
Expenditure	3015.55
Cash in hand	41602.87
Petty Cash	169.96
Youth Facilities Park	132.25
High Interest	71521.50

Payments received

Burials	129.00
Village hall groups	382.20

Accounts to be paid

Asset	150.00
Inland Revenue	229.60
SCC (Library)	1050.00
Grass	1662.00
ABBA	78.00
Suffolk Acre	75.00
Viking	57.21
GPFC	1500.00
Industrial Supplies	31.03

Any other financial matters

The vice-Chairman would contact the Brownies about the celebrations and report back to the next meeting.

Chilton Office Supplies were ascertaining prices of a new photocopier.

035 Planning Matters**New Applications****B/05/00608/FHA/SB 2 Three Turns, Lower Road**

Insertion of 3 no. dormer windows to front elevation.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Watkinson SECONDED: Cllr. Knox

B/05/00847/FHA/SB Pannels Close

Erection of a side conservatory.

PROPOSED: Cllr Gurr SECONDED: Cllr. Knox

B/05/01006/FHA/GP 2 Pearsons Close

Erection of 1.2m high boundary fence.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Gurr SECONDED: Cllr. Knox

B/05/01032/FHA/GP 5 Post Office Lane

Erection of single-storey rear extension (part demolition of existing single-storey rear extension)

PROPOSED: Cllr. Knox SECONDED: Cllr. Watkinson

B/05/01086/FHA/SB Oxdown Barn, Duffs Hill

Erection of single-storey extension and external alterations.

B/05/01087/LBC/SB Oxdown Barn, Duffs Hill

Application for Listed Building Consent – Erection of single-storey extension; internal and external alterations.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Gurr SECONDED: Cllr. Boone

Any other planning matters

A Letter had been received from Babergh regarding the bus layby. The chairman would arrange for the planning application to be sent in.

036 Correspondence

A letter was read out from Babergh District Council regarding the diversion of Footpath 33 and the creation of Footpath 50.

Suffolk County Council had informed the Council that the Fenstead End Road would be closed between 1st and 14th August 2005.

A letter had been received from Mr. Drury complaining about the access onto Egremont Street from George Lane. The Clerk would pass this to Mr. Nunn at Suffolk county Council.

037 Youth Facilities Park

The Clerk would go out to tender for the re-siting of the youth facilities park this week.

038 Village Hall

The Cock had asked if they could use the Village Hall for changing facilities for their last few games. This would be done on a game by game basis and if any mess was left in the Village Hall they would not be allowed to use the premises any more.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.50pm.

Approved

Date