

**MINUTES OF THE
GLEMSFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD Tuesday 8th March 2005 AT GLEMSFORD VILLAGE HALL**

Present	Colin Parmenter Anna Watkinson Neil Gurr	Howard Boone Lucy Knox Lisa Lord
In attendance	Sara Sunderland Richard Kemp	
Apologies	Cllr. Thake Cllr. Young Cllr. Suttle	

Cllr. Lay was not present and no apologies had been received.

Four members of the public were in attendance.

131 Police Matters

As no police officers were present, a report had been supplied which covered the period 9th February 2005 to 7th March 2005. during this time, one report of vehicle crime had been received, a car had been stolen from Angel Lane, three public order offences had occurred and one domestic assault.

The football pavilion had once again been vandalised and had been reported to the police.

132 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 8th February 2005 , having been previously circulated were approved and signed.

APPROVED: Cllr. Boone

SECONDED: Cllr. Gurr

133 Public Question Time

Bob Richardson had attended a police meeting in February.

Mr. Richardson reported that although the new footpath signs had now been sited, they were made of plastic and he felt that they would not last very long. He also had concerns about Footpath No 39 as it was now classed as a bridleway although Cllr. Watkinson informed him that it had been a bridleway for some time.

Cllr. Watkinson raised concerns about footpath 33 (The Casey) as it had become very boggy again in the recent wet weather. The Clerk would write to Suffolk County Council and ask for someone to come and walk the footpath to determine the best course of action.

134 Suffolk County Councillors Report

Cllr. Kemp had spent a long time discussing speed checks with Inspector Joy Mayhew, from the Speed Police unit at Bury. There were two reasons why they do not consider villages, the first being a low number of accidents and injuries, and the second being that the government won't allow it as they have to spend time in busier areas. The mean average speeds are not high in Glemsford either. These have to be 38mph and Cllr. Kemp thinks Glemsford was about 34mph.

In six months the police force would be acquiring 20 laser speed guns which would enable the Community policeman to carry out speed checks.

Cllr. Kemp was still working on getting flashing signs for the village.

The Clerk would write and ask for a cable that lay across the road to measure the flow and speed of traffic.

Council tax was being discussed and a report was due out later this year. Many things were being looked at, eg business rates on farms and buildings as well as tourism tax. Next year there will be a revaluation with an extra bandage introduced right at the top probably, and the most likely outcome is that local income tax and a property tax will be reduced.

135 Clerks Report

The Clerk had written to Mr Lewis and asked why the road sweeper was not sweeping the whole of Angel Lane. A reply had been received that was not particularly helpful as it said that the cleaners could not turn round in the road when it was wet!

The Clerk had written to Babergh to chase the siting of the dog bin in New Cut.

A letter had been received from DEFRA regarding the de-registering of the green. This was passed to Cllr. Kemp who would make enquiries and return to the Clerk.

There were still some problems with EDF supplying the electricity to three columns in the village. Although the Clerk had written for quotes, the company now required detailed location plans which were not in possession of the Clerk so they had sent her some through.

A letter had been received from Babergh District Council regarding the Youth Facilities Park and this would be discussed at the next meeting, after which written confirmation should be received. All councillors had a copy of the document.

136 Financial Matters

Account Status

Income	353.25
Expenditure	2223.62
Cash in hand	50657.19
Petty Cash	282.77
Youth Facilities Park	132.25
High Interest	41000.60

Payments made out of Council

Suffolk County Council	264.37
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Accounts to be paid

Asset Management Limited	150.00
Inland Revenue	340.07
Suffolk Acre	20.00
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137 Planning Matters**New Applications**

B/05/00266/CDP/GP Glemsford CP School
Application under Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992 – Provision of security lobby to school entrance.

APPROVED: Cllr. Knox

SECONDED: Cllr. Gurr

B/05/00286/FUL/GD Part side garden of 15 First Avenue
Erection of single-storey side dwelling. Construction of new vehicular access.

APPROVED: Cllr. Watkinson

SECONDED: Cllr. Gurr

B/05/00325/FHA/GP 5 New Cut
Erection of a front porch.

APPROVED: Cllr. Gurr

SECONDED: Cllr. Watkinson

B/05/00315/FHA/JCV Courtlands, Flax Lane
Erection of attached garage.

APPROVED: Cllr. Watkinson

SECONDED: Cllr. Knox

B/05/00285/FHA/GP 38 Egremont Street
Erection of single-storey front extension and porch.

Councillors would visit the site before making a decision.

Applications Granted

B/04/02230/LBC/GD Patches House, Cavendish Lane
Application for listed building consent – alterations in connection with conversion of existing garage into additional living accommodation.

B/04/02208/FHA/GP 61 Brook Street
Erection of two-storey side/rear extension (existing single-storey rear extension to be demolished).

B/05/00119/FHA/JCV Old Bank House, 2 Lion Road
Erection of pitched roof over existing garage.

B/05/00100/FHA/GP Michaelmas House, Bells Lane
Erection of a green house.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.45pm

Next meeting 5th April 2005

Approved by

Date