

**MINUTES OF THE
GLEMSFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 6th April 2004 AT GLEMSFORD VILLAGE HALL**

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| 001 | <u>PRESENT</u> | Mr. C. Parmenter
Mr. L. Young
Mr. J. Suttle | Mr. R. Thake
Mr. N. Gurr
Mr. L. Knox |
| 002 | <u>IN ATTENDANCE</u> | Mrs S. Turner
PC Brendan McKenna
PC Den Mullet
Mr. R. Kemp | |
| 003 | <u>APOLOGIES</u> | Mrs. A. Watkinson (holiday)
Mrs. L. Lord
Mr. H. Lay | |

There were 7 members of the public present.

004 POLICE MATTERS

Between the period of 9th March 2004 and 2nd April 2004, there had been a total of eight crimes reported, which was slightly higher than the same period last year.

A property at Chestnut Road had been entered via the rear by two men purporting to be water board employees. Whilst the owner had been turning off the water, another man had climbed through a back window and stolen cash. Officers urged the public to be vigilant when people visited premises claiming to be from utilities firms.

There had been four reported vehicle crimes and two youths were now on police bail after an incident in the Kings Road area.

Badges were being stolen from cars in the village, so owners were advised to be aware of this latest crime wave. A man had been arrested after being caught for dangerous driving in the shepherd's Lane area.

There had been 3 violent public order offences over the past month.

Officers advised that the Crime Reduction Officer, Les king, would be happy to offer advice to any vulnerable people in the area, and he could be contacted via Sudbury Police Station.

New information had been passed on regarding the arson attack at the village school and also for the cars stolen on Boxing Day.

The Clerk passed a letter from a concerned resident about an incident in the Brices Way area to which the police had been called, but had not attended.

005 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 9th March 2004, having previously been circulated, were adopted and signed.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Suttle

SECONDED: Cllr. Gurr

006 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mrs. Rogers asked if the clock could be repaired in the Village Hall. The Clerk would deal.

Mr. Alston asked if there was an alternative siting for the recycling bins and the Chairman explained that it was not possible to re-site them at the moment but it was hoped that this would be rectified when the land was purchased to the rear of the Village Hall.

Mr. Richardson reported that the new Neighbourhood Watch signs had been erected/

Mrs. Alston asked what the timescale was for the erection of the new community centre. The Chairman advised her of a public meeting on 14th April and said that at present the project was in the very early stages.

Mr. Richardson advised the meeting that more rubbish had been dumped on the land at Post Office Lane. The Clerk would contact Babergh again.

007 SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Suffolk County Council would be moving offices to the old TXU Energy base in Ipswich. It was intended to sell the old site for the provision of a new University.

Mr. Ken Turner had been elected onto the police committee and advised anyone if they had any concerns to contact him.

008 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

An email had been received by District Councillors regarding a rural digital cinema initiative. The Clerk would contact Babergh and ask for more details and it could be discussed at the AGM next week.

Both District Councillors had attended the panel regarding the problems over the Youth Facilities Park.

Cllr. Young and Cllr. Gurr had some ideas for the promotion of the village and would probably call a public meeting at some stage to gauge the interest of the residents.

009 CLERKS REPORT

Following the crime report last month, the Clerk had run checks to ascertain whether the security guards had been on duty during any of the reports. They had only been on duty twice.

A new bin was being made for Weavers Drive and Babergh had been asked to supply a new dog bin for New Cut.

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Mrs. Joiner had been asked to give extra attention to the debris in the New Cut area.

The Clerk had contacted SALC regarding the Audit, and had received an email stating that they had been in contact with the District Audit who would be contacting us shortly. No telephone call had yet been received.

A complaint had been received about a new light bulb in a lamp outside 25 Angel Lane as it was now too bright. The Chairman would investigate.

A mail had been sent to Babergh regarding the untidy site on the old garage premises at Egremont Street. Babergh were now investigating.

An interest had been expressed into the vacancy for a Councillor. As the Clerk had heard no more from the other person, Mr. Boone would attend the next meeting.

The Clerk had met with a lady for the cemetery rating survey and had completed the necessary forms.

The Clerk had met with the panel investigating the Youth Facilities Park and given her report.

A letter had been received from Mr. Chubb thanking the Parish Council for the removal of the recycling bins. The Clerk would contact Sue Gibbs again as the bottle banks were still on the site, despite Babergh having been asked twice to remove them completely following complaints from residents.

010 FINANCIAL MATTERS

a. Account Status

Income	536.70
Expenditure	7148.37
Cash in hand	45109.39
Petty Cash	149.80
Youth Facilities Park	132.25
High Interest Account	20289.20
Total (not including yfp)	65548.39

b. Payments Received

Organisation payments for Village Hall	308.00
Burials	157.50
Village Hall Bookings	10.00

c. **Accounts to be paid**

Eastern Contracting	150.00
Mr. W. Dane	248.64
Inland Revenue	267.05
Industrial Supplies	15.72
THSLLP	310.20
Viking Direct Limited	28.05
Mr. W. Hickford	24.00
Shaw and Sons	33.44
Babergh District Council (cemetery rates)	186.66

d. **Payments made out of Council**

Viking Direct Limited	68.24
Kent Blaxhill	115.01
Powergen	1082.56
Mr. W. Hickford	25.00
Viking Direct Limited	135.04

PROPOSED: Cllr. Young**SECONDED: Cllr. Thake****011 PLANNING MATTERS**a. **New Applications**

B/04/00454/FHA/JCV 12 First Avenue
Erection of single storey side extension.

Agreed to recommend this Application for approval.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Suttle**SECONDED: Cllr. Knox**

B/04/00442/FUL/FM Garage adjacent Station House, Lower Road

Change of use of existing garage/workshop to a single dwelling.

Agreed to recommend this Application for refusal due to overdevelopment and outside the structural plan.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Suttle**SECONDED: Cllr. Knox**

B/04/00479/FHA/COB Old Bank House, 2 Lion Road
Insertion of 2 no. dormer windows, 1 no. dome light and 2 no. rooflights in connection with loft conversion.

Agreed to recommend this Application for approval but to check to see whether it was a listed building.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Suttle**SECONDED: Cllr. Gurr**

b **Applications Granted**

B/04/00151/TCA 11 Tye Green

Felling of 9-10 No. Conifer Trees, pruning of 1 No. Crab Apple Tree and 1 No. Plum Tree and formative pruning of a row of Fruit Trees.

B/03/01751/FUL The Briars Residential Care Home, 23 Hunts Hill

Erection of two-storey rear extension as amended by letter and plan received on 10th November 2003.

e. **Any other planning matters**

A letter had been received from the Agents for the land. This would be discussed at the AGM next week.

012 CORRESPONDENCE

A letter had been received regarding the diversion of footpath 33. Councillors agree with the proposal.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Gurr

SECONDED: Cllr. Knox

013 YOUTH WORKERS

The Clerk had met with Abigail Ince, the Youth Worker. She was planning on meeting with the youths to discuss their preferences for the drop in centre and would be contacting the clerk in due course.

014 VILLAGE PLAN

The Clerk would contact Long Melford Parish Council and ask their views on joining to produce a village plan.

**There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.15 pm
Next meeting 14th April 2004 and 4th May 2004**

Signed Date and Min No.