

Glemsford Parish Council Meeting

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 8th July 2014 @ 7.15 at Glemsford Village Hall

Present: Cllrs: Brown (chairman), Mallalieu, Plumb, Southgate, Bloomfield & Sewell.
4 members of public. CCllr Kemp, DCllr Thake. Clerk.

01.07 Chairman's announcements

All were welcomed to the meeting. Cllrs were requested to use the P.A. system as necessary. Some allotment plots are still available. Robert Horn from Community Action Suffolk is to visit the village hall on Tues 15th July @ 9am to discuss ideas for alterations/extensions to the hall. DCllr Thake was asked to stay to discuss planning issues. There will be a part two meeting for councillors.

02.07 Apologies for absence

DCllr Young, the Police.

03.07 Declarations of interest/dispensation requests

None

04.07 Police Matters

The clerk read a report. This can be viewed on the website or at the clerk's office.

05.07 To adopt minutes of Council meeting on the 10th June 2014

It was resolved to adopt the minutes of the meeting held on the 10th June 2014.

06.07 Matters arising from minutes of the last meeting

None

07.07 To receive reports

CCllr Kemp - a full report can be read on the website or at the clerk's office. Contact has been made with SCC following concerns about the children crossing the road at the school. However, to date no reply has been received.

DCllr Thake – Issues at BDC have still not improved. Temporary planners have been placed to help with the back-log of applications. DCllr Thake announced he is stepping down as District Councillor in May 2015. Policy CS11 went through strategy last week, there are a few minor alterations and it is hoped it will be in place by September. The Police Crime Panel is due to meet on Friday. It is hoped a report will be made at the next meeting.

DCllr Young – No report

08.07 Planning

New applications: **B/13/01238/FUL – 2-4 Brook St**

Erection of 27no residential dwellings, together with associated garaging, parking and formation of new vehicular access following demolition of former office and workshop buildings.

It was resolved to recommend approval

B/14/00602/FHA – Mill Farm, Lower St, Stanstead

No comment

B/14/00716/TCA – 15 Bells Lane

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Fell 1no willow and 1no walnut tree

It was resolved to recommend approval

B/14/00468/OUT – Silk Factory, Chequers Lane

Outline – residential development of 10no dwellings following demolition of existing commercial buildings together with 1no house and 1no flat

It was resolved to recommend refusal

(access issues, width of road, no footpath and overdevelopment of site)

B/14/00706/TCA – Fair Green House, 15 Fair Green

Pruning of 1no pear tree, 1no apple tree. Removal of 1no elder and 1no cherrytree. Reduce 1no willow tree by 30%. Reduce spread by 2m of 3no sour cherry trees and 1no common beech tree.

It was resolved to recommend approval

Appeals:

B/14/00170/FUL – Cymbelene, George Lane

Erection of 1no dwelling

No further comments

Applications granted/14/00556/TCA – 29 Fair Green

Felling of 1no Leyland cypress, ash, elder and hawthorn

B/14/0403/FHA/SS – Common Crest, Drapery Common

Erection of a single storey detached house

B/14/00400/FHA/SS – Kingsley, Bells Lane

Erection of a rear dormer as amended

09.07 Public Question time

None

10.07 Accounts for approval

It was resolved to pay accounts

11.07 Suffolk Code of Conduct – adoption of revision

It was resolved to adopt the revision

12.07 Glorious Glemsford – council participation

It was resolved to take part in this event

13.07 ‘Lights Out’ – parish participation

It was agreed to circulate this information to the parish

14.07 Village hall car park and approach road – sweeping of

It was resolved to have the car park and approach road cleaned quarterly at a cost of £45.

15.07 Job seekers – possible use of

It was resolved not to proceed with job seekers

16.07 Allotments – possible container purchase

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It was resolved to purchase a container for use on the allotments at a cost of £1500 plus delivery plus VAT. A charge is to be made to allotment owners who wish to rent a space in the container.

17.07 Use of village hall – by community and charitable organisations

It was resolved to charge £10 per half day (or part of) for the use of the village hall by charitable and community organisations. This is due to increasing overhead costs. Any existing agreements will remain in place.

18.07 Contact magazine article – request to cut back private hedges

It was resolved to place an article in the contact magazine requesting gardens owners to cut back vegetation obstructing footpaths and roads. Article also to be placed on notice boards and the website.

19.07 Extravaganza 9th August – update

Plans are progressing for the extravaganza. This event is intended to raise awareness of the village hall and hopefully raise some money for the refurbishment/extension. Local group Native Tongue and The Minstrels will be providing music. The Morris Men will be in attendance. A bar, BBQ and other attractions will also be in place. It is hoped the event will run from approx. 3pm to approx. 8pm. Cllr Mallalieu is to look into a risk assessment for the event. Publicity is being arranged.

20.07 Extravaganza 9th August – TENS licence

Mr Gurr from the Cherrytree will be running a bar. He will be applying for the TENS licence.

21.07 Fund raising for village hall – approaching local business

It was resolved to approach local business with regards fund raising for the refurbishment/extension of the village hall

22.07 Correspondence to report

A letter had been received from the library about use of the village hall. This is now covered by item 17.07.

Suffolk Accident Rescue Service requested a donation to their service. It was agreed to make an agenda item next month to discuss donations.

23.07 Date of next meeting – 12th August 2014

Meeting finished at 9.15