

Glemsford Parish Council Meeting

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 10th December 2012 @ 7.15 at Glemsford Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Brown (Chairman), Mallalieu, Young, Plumb, Southgate, Taylor and Bloomfield. D George (clerk) and 8 members of the public

01.12 Chairman's announcements

Cllr Brown welcomed all to the meeting. Thanks were conveyed to Tony Callender and Pauline Currie for all their work during the past year. The office is to close on Friday 21st Dec and re-open on Friday 4th Jan. The standing orders are to be suspended at the beginning of planning (15.12) to invite the public to speak concerning applications B/12/01300/FUL and B/12/01302/LBC – Church of St Mary, Churchgate. A Merry Christmas is wished to all villagers.

02.12 Apologies for absence

DClr Thake.

A message was passed on from Cllr Sewell who had been delayed due to traffic.

03.12 Declarations of interest and dispensation requests

No declarations or requests.

04.11 Police Matters

PCSO Hannah Partington read a report. Only 2 crimes were committed last month compared to 7 in the same period last year. A copy of the report is available on the website or to view at the Clerk's office.

05.12 To adopt minutes of Council meeting on the 9th October

It was resolved to adopt the minutes of the meeting held on the 13th November 2012.

06.12 Matters arising

No matters arising

07.12 To receive reports

CClr Kemp – a report is available to view on the website or at the clerk's office.

DClr Young – Cllr Young is to sit on the licencing panel . A meeting is to be held next Tuesday to discuss this. The reduction of council tax is also to be discussed at this meeting.

Pauline Currie – a report was read concerning the recently conducted audit. All appears to be in order. A full report is on the website or at the Clerk's office. Pauline conveyed thanks to the Parish Council and wished all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

08.12 Accounts for approval

It was resolved to make payments.

09.12 Public Question time

Attention was brought to horses still using the footpath next to Monks Hall. Further investigation is to be made into this matter.

Concerns were raised with regards the poor advertisement of the planning application at the Church by BDC. DCllr Young is to look into this.

10.12 Report from Finance working group meeting

The precept for 2013 – 2014 was discussed. ***It was resolved*** to adopt the precept subject to directive from BDC.

The village hall was discussed. Steve Taylor is kindly putting together a plan for a new layout of the village hall as suggested by Suffolk Acre. ***It was resolved*** to have essential electrical works completed at an approx. cost of £975.00

Village Charity Contributions were discussed. At present there is no good neighbourhood scheme in the village. Cllr Sewell is to find out how another Parish operates their scheme with regards funding and administration.

It was resolved to place the order with SCC for the balance of 31no G39 units.

It was resolved to purchase a clerk's manual at a cost of £47

11.12 Street lights

It was resolved to remove and make safe the bollard light at Highbank at a cost of £317.66

It was resolved not to proceed with a new street light in Angel lane at this present time.

The colour of the new street lights was discussed. It was agreed to discuss at the next meeting when more information was available.

12.12 Bowls Club cupboard

It was resolved to allow the Bowls Club to extend their cupboard upon condition that it is in keeping with the existing cupboards.

13.12 Schoolfield Parking

Complaints had been received about parking on the green near to the play area in Schoolfields.

It was resolved to put up x2 'no parking signs' and to work in conjunction with the Police to eliminate this problem. A polite notice to residents will be issued prior to signs being erected.

14.12 Playingfield – use of

It was agreed a meeting needs to be arranged to discuss the playingfield. Cllrs Mallalieu and Plumb are to liaise with the trustees prior to a meeting being organised.

15.12 Planning

Standing orders suspended to allow for public discussion on planning applications:

B/12/01302/LBC & B/12/01300/FUL – St Mary's Church, Churchgate.

Letters of objection together with a letter received from Rev Patrick Prigg were addressed.

New Applications

B/12/01302/LBC – St Marys Church, Churchgate

Application for listed building consent – erection of flagpole
telecommunications antenna, 1no transmission dish and 3no
equipment cabins

Resolved to recommend refusal – planning policy HS28-loss of amenity

B/12/01300/FUL – St Mary’s Church, Churchgate

Erection of flagpole telecommunications antenna and 1no transmission dish

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B/12/01352/TCA – 43 Tye Green

Crown reduce by 33% 1no Cherrytree and 3no sycamore trees

Resolved to recommend approval

B/12/01382/TCA – 4 Bells Lane

Removal of 1no ilex aquifolium tree

Resolved to recommend approval, conditional to replacement tree being planted

B/12/01381/FHA – Hillview, Drapery Common

Erection of a rear conservatory

Resolved to recommend approval

B/12/01427/TCA – Carlton, Bells Lane

Remove 10no cypress from boundary of property facing Stanway Close.

Reduce weight of 1no cypress overhanging conservatory. Remove 1no cypress to rear of property

Resolved to recommend approval

B/12/01306/FHA – 41 Hunts Hill

Erection of two storey side extension

Resolved to recommend approval

B/12/01186/FHA – 12 Hunts Hill

Erection of single storey rear extension

Resolved to recommend approval

B/12/01406/LBC & B/12/01405/FUL-The Crown Brook St

No decision made due to late receipt - to be considered at meeting on 8th Jan 2013

Applications refused: **B/12/01157/FHA – 20 Bells Lane**

Erection of front dormer window and detached double garage

16.12 Correspondence to report

Letters were read concerning dog fouling in the village, concerns about the planting of an oak tree on Tye Green and correspondence from Glemsford White Studio FC.

Training for Councillors was discussed.

17.12 Date of next meeting 8th January 2013

Meeting finished at 9.25pm

Cllr Sewell did not attend the meeting.