

**MINUTES OF THE GLEMSFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD ON 3<sup>RD</sup> AUGUST 2004 AT 7.45  
IN GLEMSFORD VILLAGE HALL**

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| <b>052</b> | <b><u>PRESENT</u></b>       | Mr. C. Parmenter<br>Mrs. A. Watkinson<br>Mr. J. Suttle    | Mr. R. Thake<br>Mrs. L. Knox<br>Mr .N Gurr |
| <b>053</b> | <b><u>IN ATTENDANCE</u></b> | Mrs. S. Sunderland (Parish Clerk)<br>PC Den Mullet        |  |
| <b>054</b> | <b><u>APOLOGIES</u></b>     | Mr. H Boone<br>Mr. L. Young<br>Mr. L. Lord<br>Mt. R. Kemp |  |

Mr. H. Lay was not present nor were any apologies received.

There were 4 members of public present.

**055**    **POLICE MATTERS**

The container belonging to Glemsford Gladiators football club had been broken into and the goalposts had been taken out onto the field. Police had been informed and were dealing with the matter.

In the period June to August there had been 22 reported crimes compared with 23 last year.

There had been no dwelling burglaries compared with one last year but burglaries to other buildings were up by one.

There had been 2 reports of criminal damage. Between 11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> June a window was broken in Kings Road, more damage to New Barn Farm had been reported between 9<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> July. The police had been speaking to other residents about any persons being seen and to persuade them to come forward and report. Minor damage had been caused to vehicles left outside and although it was not major damage, it was inconvenient as it needs to be repaired before it can go on the road again.

There had been six reports of vehicle crime and in particular a large number in the Schoolfield area. The police would welcome any information about problems in Schoolfield as attempts to get a Neighbourhood Watch have proved fruitless. Two vehicles stolen from Schoolfield had resulted in one being abandoned in Boxford, and the other used for ram raid in Darsham.

Four thefts had been reported two of which related to the doctors surgery and two dwelling thefts in Schoolfield and Lion Road and two improper use of telephone systems.

**055 Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2004, having previously been circulated were approved and signed subject to the amendment under paragraph 046 from 'not to call for site meetings' to 'not to ask for site meetings'.

**PROPOSED: Cllr. Knox**

**SECONDED: Cllr. Gurr**

**056 Public Question Time**

Bob Richardson reported that Glemsford was pretty quiet. Mr. Richardson had received a letter from Neighbourhood Watch to ask if he wants to go on a course where he would be issued with a warrant and would be able to prosecute people themselves. A member of Neighbourhood Watch will reply to it.

Don Gray conveyed his thanks to Mr Kemp for his endeavours to get kerbways sorted. He expressed his discontent at the work being carried out to pathways on The Broadway and the Chairman informed him that the Council were never informed of any works before they were carried out. Mr. Gray said that the junction of Fiar Green and Bells Lane was more hazardous now than it was before with the cars parked on the junction that hampered visibility.

Mr. Gray said that nothing had been done about speeding in the village, and he was worried that the only speeding signs were at either end of the village. The Chairman said that Mr. Kemp had been looking at flashing signs for the village.

Mr. Gray expressed concerns over recent planning permissions granted in the village and Cllr. Thake said that if there were any concerns from members of the public they must let him know as he would be meeting with a planning officer in the village this Thursday.

**057 Suffolk County Councillors Report**

Cllr. Kemp reported via letter that several items of work are going on in Glemsford, and will include some of the kerbs at Egremont Street.

Suffolk County Council have now started a half price bus scheme for youngsters aged between 10 and 19. This would apply to everyone and just students. Children would need to apply to the Transport officer for the passes and it was hoped that this would be extended to the trains in time.

**058 District Councillors' Reports**

Cllr. Thake reported that the Local Plan Enquiry will begin on 28<sup>th</sup> September and will last for three months.

A news report had been published stating that Babergh tenants thought Babergh is an excellent landlord.

The new Babergh website will supposedly make access easier although there were teething problems at present.

Babergh would be undergoing a comprehensive performance assessment where they would be judged on services and link up between certain departments. They will then be rated.

#### **059 Clerks Report**

Following a letter from a concerned resident of Brook Street about children playing on the grassed area, the Clerk had passed the letter to police and informed the resident of her actions.

Despite writing to THS LLP and asking them to provide a monthly report, they had not attended the meeting this evening so the Clerk would write to them and find out what had happened to their representative.

A letter had been sent to Mr. Crichton to inform him that the Parish Council were no longer interested in purchasing the land to the rear of the Village Hall.

The Chairman had met with a footpath officer from Suffolk County Council and walked the length of The Casey. The officer felt that Suffolk County Council would be able to work with Glemsford Parish Council to resurface parts of the path.

A letter had been received from Suffolk County Council regarding siting a white H hatching on the junction of George Lane and Egremont Street. The Clerk had been advised to write to residents affected by the proposal to gauge their reactions. Of the 12 replies received, all were in favour of the scheme so Suffolk County Council had been advised to go ahead.

The Annual playground inspection had been received and the Clerk would send it to Playdale in order to get the work carried out.

A letter had been received from SALC in reply to our withdrawal from the Association.

A letter had been received from Babergh District Council regarding a public meeting to discuss the twin bin scheme. The meeting would be held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2004 at the Stevenson Centre in Great Cornard.

The brown wheeled bin at the cemetery was being well used.

The Clerk would contact Mr. Nunn regarding siting the grit bins for the winter months and also to chase the progress of the blocked drains on Angel Lane.

#### **060 Financial Matters**

Account Status

Income	564.26
Expenditure	5153.08
Cash in hand	37110.05
Petty Cash	181.64
Youth Facilities Park	132.25
High Interest	40469.60

a. **Payments received**

Village Hall	255.60
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b. **Payments made out of Council**

Chilton Office Supplies	97.47
Industrial Supplies	15.72
Kelways	1219.18
Viking Direct Limited	11.03
Amenworld	79.90

c. **Accounts to be paid**

Asset	150.00
Bill	248.64
Inland Revenue	297.22
British Telecom	85.86
T&P	74.03
Chilton Office Supplies	141.89
Mr. K. Turner	38.27

**PROPOSED: Cllr. Watkinson****SECONDED: Cllr. Parmenter**d. **Any other financial matters**

A letter had been received from Pearce and Kemp regarding street lighting maintenance. The Clerk would write and get a quote from them.

A letter had been received from Mrs. Stiff advising that the British Legion poppy wreath would be £19 and payment should be made in November.

**061 Planning Matters**a. **New Applications**

**B/04/01297/FUL/CT                      Part OS 3982, Low Street**  
Construction of new vehicular access.

The Parish Council recommended this application for approval.

**PROPOSED: Cllr. Watkinson****SECONDED: Cllr. Gurr**

Cllr. Suttle abstained from voting.

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

As some of the plans appeared to be missing the Parish Council agreed to let their original objections stand to this application, as it was very unclear as to what amendments if any had been made.

**PROPOSED: Cllr. Watkinson****SECONDED: Cllr. Knox**

b. Applications Granted

**B/04/00830/FHA/JCV      36 Hunts Hill**  
Insertion of replacement front windows.

**B/04/00985/FHA/JCV      Fair Green House, 15 Fair Green**  
Erection of first-floor rear extension.

**B/04/00770/FHA/GD      Sluice Cottage, Cutts Lane**  
Erection of single-storey rear extension.

c. Applications Refused

**B/04/00141/FUL/FM      4 Links Close**  
Erection of a telescopic mast for amateur radio use.

**B/04/00950/FUL/GD      Land rear of 20 Egremont Street**  
Erection of single-storey dwelling and construction of new vehicular access.

d. Any other planning matters

The Clerk would contact Suffolk Acre re the Village Plan.

**062    BUS SHELTER**

The Clerk would contact Patrick Taylor to get the drawings and specifications.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.29pm