

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF GLEMSFORD PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON 6TH JUNE 2006 AT
GLEMSFORD VILLAGE HALL**

Present	Colin Parmenter Len Young Neil Gurr John Suttle Rex Thake	Anna Watkinson Lucy Knox Howard Boone Lisa Lord
In attendance	Sara Sunderland Richard Kemp	
Apologies	Howard Lay	

015 Police Matters

No police report had been received this month.

The Parish Council discussed the burnt out car on the playing fields and the Chairman stated that he had put posts beside the barrier at the entrance to stop cars using this as a cut through, but these had already been removed and cars were gaining access again. The chairman asked for Council's agreement for him to get proper concrete posts for the gap.

PROPOSED: Cllr Watkinson

SECONDED: Cllr Knox

016 Minutes

The Minutes of the meetings held on 9th and 23rd of May, having previously been circulated, were adopted and signed.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Boone

SECONDED: Cllr. Gurr

017 Newspaper Reports

Cllr. Gurr expressed his horror at the recent newspaper reports regarding "rioting" in the village. He felt that the village had been misrepresented as crime figures were much lower over the previous two years. He said that although youths had caused a problem at the meeting tonight, this was contained to a very small minority and the Suffolk Free Press had blown everything out of proportion.

Cllr. Gurr expressed the wish of taking out private prosecutions on the parents as the childish behaviour needed to be nipped in the bud now. Dog faeces had been thrown on the village hall roof by a small group. He felt it very strange that a reporter attended the meeting and suddenly there were problems with the youth.

The same group of youths were causing problems night after night and although there was only a tiny pocket of social problems, the residents were paying money to the local constabulary and if they are doing nothing then we need to do something as a Parish Council.

Cllr. Thake expressed the view that the problems tonight were a result of the newspaper report. He said that newspapers only liked to print the negative stories. He had spoken with Mrs. Steele who said her report was a previous problem and the

press decided to put it in as news rather than stating that it had happened some time ago.

Cllr. Watkinson asked who had contacted the newspaper to run the story but the reporter would not answer the question.

The Chairman would email councillors with relevant information arising from the newspaper report and would ask for responses to be sent to him.

Cllr. Watkinson asked that no emails be sent on behalf of council until they are approved in future.

It was noted that all parties involved in the newspaper report had been invited to attend this meeting but they had all declined.

018 Suffolk County Councillors Report

Cllr. Kemp thanked the Parish Council for their letter regarding the fatality on Burtons Corner. The County Council had agreed to a meeting but they were now waiting for a police report.

The Connexions Centre at Bury St Edmunds has had a £100,000 makeover and was recently opened.

The Schools review was now ongoing on and ends on 4th August.

Fire and Rescue had moved to Endeavour House to save money. Suffolk County Council had won a risk management award. In Suffolk there were presently 700 children in care and only 270 foster parents. There was a desperate need for more, so if anyone knows of any, please put their names forward.

019 District Councillors' Reports

Cllr. Thake had a press release document on the local development framework where everyone will have a chance to make comments.

Cllr. Young had attended a strategy meeting which focussed on recycling. The contract for collecting ends early next year and a new contract needs to be negotiated. Babergh are thinking of going into partnership with mid-Suffolk as they might save money due to the need for only one recycling officer.

Cllr. Young had attended a seminar last week in Lavenham. More consultation work would be undertaken with Parish Councils and local people will get first choice of local needs houses even if someone from outside the area has more points than them.

020 Clerks Report

Councillor's names and dates of meetings had been placed in the church magazine.

The Clerk had received forms for completion regarding the cinema project. Names to be put forward were Howard Boone, Len Young, Neil Gurr, Lucy Knox and Neil Searle.

Broadway Stores had agreed to a notice board on right as you go in door but stated that it must be on the wall. Councillors agreed that another notice board of the anti-

vandal type should be placed on the wall of the Village Hall, and the Clerk would contact Cubitt Theobald to arrange this.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Knox

SECONDED: Cllr. Watkinson

The Clerk had met with the engineer from Alfred McAlpine and had arranged for street light columns to be erected on Bells Lane, Pannels Close, Tye Green and Flax Lane. The quotation had been accepted and these would be positioned shortly. As soon as this work was undertaken the Clerk would contact EDF for the energy supply.

021 Financial Matters

Account Status

Income	10225.10
Expenditure	44269.92
Cash in hand	33350.32
Petty Cash	340.19
Youth Facilities Park	122.25
High Interest	72757.18

Payments received

Village Hall Bookings	178.50
Burials	190.00
BDC grant	9600
BDC Litter picking	145.00

Payments made out of Council

Allianz Cornhill	2243.32
Wiles	30008.00
Alfred McAlpine	318.23
Industrial supplies	54.10

Accounts to be paid

Suffolk County Council	1111.86
Viking Direct	11.45
Mrs D Biscoe	25.99
Inland Revenue	238.00
Infotone	722.28

Any other financial matters

The banking mandate was signed to add the names of Councillors Gurr and Boone.

022 Planning Matters**a. New Applications**

B/06/00795/FHA/DB Fair Green House, Fair Green
Erection of detached garage and front porch.

Agreed to recommend this Application for approval.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Watkinson

SECONDED: Cllr Knox

b. Applications Granted

B/06/00007/FHA/RM 14 Gowers End
Erection of satellite dish.

B/06/00573/FHA/RM 49 Brook Street
Erection of front porch.

B/05/02053/FHA/DB The Looking Glass, Flax Lane
Erection of detached garage.

**B/06/00198/FUL/CT Part side garden Hillcrest, Drapery
Common**
Erection of detached two-storey dwelling. Construction of new vehicular access.

B/06/00690/FHA/RM 17 Greyhound Road
Erection of rear conservatory.

c. Applications Refused

B/06/00507/OUT Land to rear of 23 Lion Road
Outline – erection of 2 no. one and two-storey dwellings. Construction of new vehicular access (existing access to be blocked up).

d. Any other planning matters

The new development at Egremont Street will be called Lees Court.

023 Correspondence

Babergh District Council had sent out some documentation regarding the local development framework. Comments needed to be made by July so this was passed to Cllr. Gurr who would liaise with Cllr. Boone and then arrange a planning meeting.

024 Youth Facilities Park

Cllr. Watkinson would liaise with Record to obtain a date for the re-siting work to begin.

025 Standing Orders

It was agreed that the standing orders be adopted subject to the insertion of a paragraph about the public which Cllr. Thake would provide to the Clerk.

PROPOSED: RWT

SECONDED: AW

026 Youth workers

The lady from the Methodist church had been in touch with Cllr. Thake and the clerk. She had suggested a variety of different things suggested, and would be concentrating on the youth to start with. Cllr. Thake would forward the minutes of that meeting to the Clerk for her to pass to other members. Suggestions included cookery classes, youth clubs, meals for older people too and parents support group meetings. The group had decided to leaflet the whole village and due to problems with volunteers, they would be using the postal system.

Cllr. Kemp had attended the recent meeting and had been surprised to note that the school were holding parenting classes.

Cllr. Kemp had been copied in on an email from Sally Scott to Jo Seymour, stating that she has acquired £6000 in grants for Glemsford for community education.

The Clerk would email Sally and ask her to formulate expenditure etc so that this could be presented to the councillors at the next meeting.

027 Any other matters

Cllr. Watkinson had been approached by people wanting to set up a badminton club at the village hall. The Clerk would write to Allsorts to inform them that all equipment needed to be moved from the hall now.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.35

Next meeting 11th July 2006

Approved

Date