

**GLEMSFORD PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON  
9<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2010**

**Present:** Lucy Knox  
Neil Gurr  
Neil Searle  
Newman Ford

Colin Parmenter  
Lyn Bloomfield  
Len Young

**In attendance:** Richard Kemp

**Apologies:** Rex Thake  
Tracey Sansum

**094 MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2010, having previously been circulated, were adopted and signed.

**PROPOSED: Cllr. Searle**

**SECONDED: Cllr. Gurr**

**095 ADOPTION OF TELEPHONE BOX**

Roland Hill stated the History Society would like the phone box preferably moved and in its intact condition. Chairman Knox approached the subject of maintenance; Roland Hill would raise this at the next History Society meeting. Council stated that the maintenance costs are an unknown quantity but should the box incur any major costs by way of vandalism etc, then the History Society and council would need to address the situation.

**096 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

It was asked if something could be done about the mess in the cemetery, as people are still not using the appropriate bins. Cllr. Knox stated we have installed new signs and was disappointed to hear this. Lucy will ask the Clerk on her next visit to have a look and report to council.

Mrs Frost of Pannels Close asked if any thing could be done with the obstructed view exiting panels close, there is a hedge that obstructs some view. Colin said he would take a look and if it's considered an obstruction, ask the Clerk to write to the owner suggesting a bush trim.

**097 SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Due to the timing of Easter this year, there will be two cabinet meetings in March, one on 2<sup>nd</sup> March, and the other, later in the month on 30<sup>th</sup>.

The first meeting will cover a small number of items:

- 2009/2010 Budget Monitoring from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 1<sup>st</sup> December 2009

- Transfer of New Dimension Function and Assets from Communities and Local Government to Suffolk Fire and Rescue Authority.
- Suffolk Shoreline Management Plan
- Traffic Regulation Order in Ixworth

The second meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> March will include:

- Report on consultation on changes to admission arrangements in Suffolk Schools for 2011/2012.
- Building Schools for the Future: Outline Business Case
- Implementation of proposed extension to Abbots Green Community Primary School & Cedars Park Community Primary School
- Agency arrangements for the delegation of Highways and Transport Functions
- Waste Procurement Programme – Inter Authority Agreement
- Greater Anglia Rail franchise consultation
- Ipswich Property Programme

Suffolk County Council has started to loan energy monitors from Libraries across the County. The monitors allow you to check the electricity usage in your own home, helping to save on electricity bills in the future.

The household waste recycling centre in Sudbury will soon be improved to ensure that a better quality of service is available.

The uplift will come in the format of better layouts, new containers for glass and paper recycling, and a brand new furniture reuse area.

The purpose of the change is to ensure that the traffic flow is increased, and the requirement to close the plants to exchange bins is reduced. Thus helping a greater number use the plant quicker than before.

In order for this change to occur, the site will have to close on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March.

The County Council has announced that it plans to close four schools in the Sudbury and Great Cornard area as a result of the Schools Organisation Review.

The four schools outlined for closure at the end of the summer term in 2013 are;

Great Cornard (Community) Middle School; Stoke-By-Nayland (Community) Middle School; All Saints CEVC Middle School and Uplands Community Middle School.

There will be a six week period (from 26<sup>th</sup> February) for the public to have their say on the proposals before it goes to Cabinet, where they will decide upon the fate of the schools in the area. If they are unable to decide the decision will then be referred to the Schools Adjudicator.

More information on the announcement by the County Council can be found here:  
<http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/EducationAndLearning/Schools/SuffolkSchoolOrganisationReview/Public+Consultation+In+Sudbury+And+Great+Cornard.htm>

**098 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Cllr. Young had just returned from a Suffolk health scrutiny committee, and Harmoni have taken over the service for locum doctors. Cllr. Young suggested that patients ask their GP to 'release' their notes to Harmoni so their doctors can carry their medical records on their laptops. Cllr Gurr asked if this is 'safe'

**099 CLERK'S REPORT**

It was agreed that the Clerk should contact Mark Tavernor and ask to meet with him to discuss S106 contributions.

**PROPOSED: Cllr. Parmenter**

**SECONDED: Cllr. Ford**

Glemsford doctors had drawn attention to another application that had been received for a pharmacy, council consensus was that it was another 'bulk' application in the region and Glemsford was not being specifically targeted.

**100 PLANNING APPLICATIONS****a. New Applications**

**B/10/00179/FHA 48 Egremont Street, Glemsford**  
Erection of first floor and side extension.

Agreed to recommend this application for approval.

**PROPOSED: Cllr. Searle**

**SECONDED: Cllr. Bloomfield**

**b. Applications Granted**

**B/09/01474/FHA/ETR 28 The Pippins**  
Conversion of roof into additional living accommodation. Insertion of 2 no. dormer window to side elevation and 1 no. window to side elevation.

**c. Any other planning matters**

**B/09/01332/ADV Station Auto's, The Barn, Dantrick Farm**  
Application for Advertisement Consent - Erection of 2. no non-illuminated advertisement displays (retention of).

Application withdrawn.

The proposals for the amalgamation of the Social Club and the Village Hall were discussed at some length. Cllr. Knox expressed serious reservations the club would be viable given the news that rent would be set at £9K P/A and asked if accounts would be available. Cllr. Parmenter stated there was an AGM on Thursday and accounts would be available to members then. Cllr Gurr stated that again we were covering some old discussed ground and suggested the way forward was to now seek legal representation.

It was agreed that Cllrs. Parmenter and Ford could vote, being committee members, as no party had any gainful interest in the project.

**PROPOSED: Cllr. Bloomfield**

**SECONDED: Cllr. Ford**

**101 ANY OTHER MATTERS**

Cllr. Searle asked if any council members had information he may find useful for his impending 21<sup>st</sup> April meeting about the Crownfields estate.

Cllr. Young said Glemsford should consider entering the 'village of the year' competition. This is sponsored by calor and all good things being done in villages are considered, not just it's appearance and we should all be proud of our groups, good causes and community achievements.

**Approved .....**

**Date.....**

**Next meeting 13<sup>th</sup> April 2010 incorporating the Annual Parish Meeting**