

008 **Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 17th April 2008, having previously been circulated, were adopted and signed, subject to the amendment on page 74 in Cllr. Young's report. Single unitary council should be deleted and "an East West divide, but would be leaving their options open" should be inserted.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Gurr

SECONDED: Cllr. Parmenter

The minutes of the planning committee held on 29th April 2008, having previously been circulated, were adopted and signed.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Bloomfield

SECONDED: Cllr. Parmenter

009 **Suffolk County Councillors Report**

The review of boundaries of local government in Suffolk is continuing. The Boundary Committee of England received nearly 20 submissions of 'concepts' for unitary models for Suffolk. These ranged from a single Suffolk unitary to an East / West unitary system to a North Haven unitary and others. More details can be found on the boundary committee website:

<http://www.boundarycommittee.org.uk/our-work/suffolkstrev.cfm>

Farmers and livestock owners across Suffolk are among the first in the country to take advantage of the new blue tongue vaccine. At the end of April the Government announced that millions of doses of the vaccine were available to farmers living in the Protection Zone, which covers the eastern counties of England.

At the end of April Suffolk County Council launched its five-week "Join a Library Campaign" as part of the National Year of Reading.

In January 2007, the Cabinet had voted to privatise day care for the elderly and concerns had been raised about the effect this might have, causing confusion and concern amongst Suffolk's elderly. At its 29th April meeting however the Cabinet agreed to a delay in the search for a private partner until a decision on the future organisation of local councils is clear.

010 **Clerk's Report**

Concerns were raised about the waste disposal when the fair was in the village. The Clerk would write to Mr. Bloomfield and ask that this was addressed, as well as the ruts left from the vehicles. It was also agreed to raise the rent to £100.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Searle

SECONDED: Cllr. Young

Cllrs. Parmenter, Watkinson and Ford were not in favour of the rent increase.

A letter had been received from Babergh District Council stating that the policy on street cleansing was that it was carried out on a quarterly basis.

The Clerk had been in discussions with Babergh District Council, Suffolk County Council and the landowner about the constant flooding on Braggons Hill. The silt and shale left after each flood was becoming hazardous and although the area had now been cleansed, it was the duty of the landowner to clean the ditches and he had now been sent a letter.

The Clerk had met with Leisure officers from Babergh to discuss sports provision during the summer holidays. It had been decided that Jack Turner, current sports club head coach would lead sessions over a three week period, on a Tuesday to Thursday for three hours per session. Babergh would provide other coaches, and the sessions would be open to children from the surrounding villages on a turn up and play basis. The last sports sessions had been really well attended with up to 30 children attending from Glemsford alone, so it was hoped that this year would be even more successful. A variety of sports would be provided, and Babergh would produce all the literature for the event after Jack had developed his session plans and passed these to the leisure department.

011 **Financial Matters**

Account Status

Income	36683.18
Expenditure	8671.33
Cash in hand	42201.73
Petty Cash	342.80
High Interest	34806.87
Sports Club	3368.69

Payments made out of Council

Alfred McAlpine	1603.83
Industrial supplies	62.39
GE Money	480.19
BDC	30.00
Chilton office Supplies	610.94
EDF Energy	737.90

Any other financial matters

It was agreed to donate £50 each to Home Start and the Citizens Advice Bureau.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Gurr

SECONDED: Cllr. Bloomfield

The new banking mandate was signed.

012 **Planning Matters**

New Applications

B/08/00632/FHA 4 Jaques Close

Erection of two-storey side extension and a front porch.

Agreed to recommend this application for approval.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Parmenter

SECONDED: Cllr. Watkinson

Cllr. Thake abstained from any planning discussion.

Applications Refused

B/08/00191/FHA/AS 32 Tye Green
Erection of front gate.

B/08/00376/OUT Land north of 29 Fair Green
Outline - Erection of 2 no. detached two-storey dwellings with associates garaging.
Alterations to existing vehicular access.

013 **Any other planning matters**

A notification of appeal had been received regarding the fence at 32 Tye Green. Cllr. Gurr declared an interest and it was decided that the parish should give representations based on original comments.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Parmenter **SECONDED:** Cllr. Ford

014 **Correspondence**

A letter had been received from Suffolk County Council stating that a twenty's plenty zone would be implemented outside the school in the near future.

015 **Village Hall and Youth Facilities Park**

Cllr. Searle would provide new taps for the male toilets as these were now in need of repair.

The Village Hall cleaner had been ill for the past three weeks so the Clerk had been cleaning. The floor had not been polished but the cleaner assured the clerk that she would be back this week to resume her duties.

A letter had been sent to the Karate Club after a series of incidents at the village hall. These involved youths from outside turning the electricity off at the main box, stealing items from the fridge, and leaving taps running in the toilets, as well as blocking the drains. The club had been advised to ring the police immediately if they encountered any problems in the future, and also to lock the main door whilst the club was in session.

It was agreed that the Clerk should investigate the pricing of hand dryers for the toilets.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Thake **SECONDED:** Cllr. Ford

016 **Any other matters**

Cllr. Thake asked that an item be inserted on the next agenda regarding more responsibilities for parish councils.

Cllr. Watkinson asked if the wreaths could be tidied at the war memorial.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8pm
Next meeting 10th June 2008