

# CLARBOROUGH AND WELHAM PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of Parish Council Meeting

A meeting of the Clarbrough and Welham Parish Council was held in the Village Hall on Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2010 at 7.00 p.m.

Present were: Councillors P. Gibson (Chairman), Mrs. A. Codling, M. K. Collins, B. Grice, A. Hardie, Mrs. V. Lilley, Mrs. F. M. P. Robinson and A. Winfrow.

Also in attendance: District Councillor Mrs. K. Sutton, D. Airey (PCSO), two "Sure Start" representatives, J. E. Salmon (Clerk), 11 members of the public.

Public Session (*not part of the formal minutes*): (a) Presentation by Sure Start; (b) PCSO's report; (c) Greg Herdman re (i) newsletter funding; (ii) submission to current issue (including Little Lane); (iii) weather-related issues; (iv) website

### 127. Apologies for absence

Mrs. L. S. Baines

### 128. Declarations of Interest

Village Hall - Mrs. V. Lilley  
IT Group - B. Grice

### 129. Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2009

Upon a proposal by Mrs. V. Lilley which was seconded by Mrs. A. Codling, the Council resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2009, having been circulated, be accepted as a true and correct record. The minutes were duly signed by the Chairman.

### 130. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Minute 118ii - Members discussed a query about a footpath in the vicinity of the canal. The Chairman undertook to inspect the area. The hawthorn near Bone Mill Lane reported previously had been cleared.

Minute 116i - The matter of access to the canal at the former Gate Inn was an ongoing issue.

Minute 116ii - The bench had been installed by G. Spencer.

Minute 116v - The dead tree had been reported to British Waterways.

Minute 116ix - The highway problem at Howbeck Lane following gas installation works had been reported.

Minute 118i - The letter about encroachment onto Little Gringley Lane had not yet been sent. A query about the weight limit thought to exist along this route would be included.

Minute 118iii - Blocked gulleys on Church Lane had been reported.

Minute 118v - Little Lane - members were reminded of the minute from the May meeting, which was currently being actioned. An item would be included in the newsletter.

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Minute 119ii - The playground inspections would be carried out in April.

Minute 119iii - The dog bins had been installed.

Minute 119vi - The main notice board had been refurbished by G. Spencer.

Minute 119vii - A funding application to Bassetlaw District Council for two benches for the play area would be prepared.

131. Highway and footpath issues

A. Hardie would progress PPP issues as discussed.

Members discussed salting and gritting issues. Clarification would be sought from the County and District Councils as to their policy and the legal position regarding liability if individuals or parish councils clear ice or snow. 'Problem locations' would be identified for future attention. It was suggested that possible locations for the storage of grit should be identified.

Further problems at the low bridge were reported. Following contact with the County Council by members, work on the bridge warning system was reported to be in progress, as was improved signage near the Hop Pole.

132. Play Equipment and Play Area

Mrs. A. Codling reported that the full funding package had been approved by WREN. A meeting had been held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> January and a meeting was to be held with SMG, the suppliers. £40,095 was available comprising £34,720 from WREN plus the Parish Council contribution plus donations. Completion was estimated for early summer. The fencing is a separate issue, for decision by the Parish Council.

133. Grass Cutting

A. Winfrow declared an interest in this matter. Upon a proposal by M. K. Collins which was seconded by A. Hardie, it was unanimously agreed to accept the three-year quotation from Holmes Groundcare Maintenance in the sum of £70 + VAT per cut plus the P3 work at NCC rates.

134. Review of Christmas Events

The Christmas lights were considered to have been poor, especially at Welham. Members considered changing the arrangements for future years, including making an additional budgetary provision and asking someone to supply and fix the lights. Upon a proposal by the Chairman which was seconded by B. Grice, it was agreed to provide an extra £300 in the budget for the *current* year (£200 for Clarborough and £100 for Welham).

At the request of a member, the Clerk sought clarification as to whether the amount transferred as a contribution to the play scheme was to be gross or net of the miscellaneous costs of the lighting event. It was agreed to leave the situation as currently recorded in the accounts, i.e. with the contribution being paid gross.

135. Finance

The Council considered a final draft budget for 2010-2011 incorporating matters discussed at previous meetings. Members made various amendments and upon a proposal by M. K. Collins which was seconded by B. Grice, it was agreed, with one abstention, that (a) the budget as now revised be approved; (b) a

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precept in the sum of £18,000 be issued in relation to the financial year 2010-2011; (c) it be noted that the projected balance at the 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2011 is £27,236.

The following payments were approved (cheque numbers in brackets):

	£
Waste Recycling Group Ltd. - Match Funding (1493)	3,189.20
Glasdon Manufacturing Ltd. - Phoenix Seat (1494)	401.35
G. Spencer - Fixing Notice Board & Bench (1495)	145.00
John Storey - Setting up Christmas Tree Lights (1496)	402.50
Clarborough & District Community Association - Rent & Lighting to Dec. 2009 (1497)	362.00
P. Gibson - Miscellaneous reimbursements (1498)	23.48

Upon a proposal by P. Gibson which was seconded by A. Hardie, it was agreed unanimously that B. Grice be added to the list of authorised signatories on the bank mandate.

136. Planning Applications and Determinations

One new application, 1/10/09/20 re conservatory for wheelchair storage at 5 Smeath Lane had been referred by telephone to members of the Planning Committee. There were no objections.

No decision notices had been received.

137. Reports of Committees - Nil

138. Reports of other meetings - Nil

139. Correspondence

The Council noted various items of correspondence.

140. Flooding

This item would be placed on the agenda at a future meeting. A survey had been carried out on the dyke; enquiries would be made as to the area covered.

141. Notification of Agenda Items - Nil

142. Date and time of next Parish Council meeting

The next Parish Council meeting would be held on Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> February 2010 at 7.00 p.m. in the Village Hall. *Subsequent dates, as previously agreed: Mondays 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 26<sup>th</sup> April, 24<sup>th</sup> May, 5<sup>th</sup> July, 6<sup>th</sup> September.*

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.45 p.m.

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