

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, 5th July, 2010 at 7.00 p.m.

Present were: Councillors P. Gibson (Chairman), Mrs. L. S. Baines, 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); J. E. Salmon (Clerk); seven members of the public.

Public Session (not part of the formal minutes): Items covered included Village Website (Greg Herdman); Play Area; PCSO's report including discussion about ongoing issues at Welham. Item concluded at 7.17 p.m.

30. Apologies for absence - None

31. Declarations of Interest

Village Hall: Mrs. V. Lilley

IT Group: B. Grice

Village Ventures Committee: A. Hardie

32. Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Monday, 24th May, 2010

Upon a proposal by Mrs. A. Codling which was seconded by Mrs. V. Lilley, the Council resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 24th May, 2010, having been circulated, be accepted as a true and correct record. The minutes were duly signed by the Chairman.

33. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Minute 22i - A. Winfrow reported that the Beacon had been painted, with three coats.

Minute 22ii - The issue at Howbeck Lane had been reported.

Minute 22iii - A letter had been sent to Otelo; an acknowledgement had been received.

Minute 23i - The footpath at Howbeck Lane had been repaired.

Minutes 22vii, 23iv, 23v - Letters re emergency planning, overhanging trees on the driveway and Little Lane had not yet been sent.

Minute 22iv - The football nets were in place.

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Minute 26 - Planning Application 1/10/10/11 - Dog grooming, 1 Whinleys Cottage, Church Lane - a member queried the agreed opening hours. Members noted that the decision notice on this case had not yet been received.

34. Relocation of bench (Minute 23vii) - quotations

No quotations had been obtained. Members discussed suitable locations and agreed that it should be close to the former location. It was agreed to discuss the proposal with the two adjacent householders and also contact G. Albery of the County Council. B. Grice would do the latter.

35. Highway and footpath issues

A recorded delivery letter would be sent to G. Albery about the encroachment/bollards on Little Gringley Lane. Concern was expressed about the potential for fatalities. In addition, a member referred to Minute 16lviii, 22nd March 2010 re conifers, trees and bushes on County Council land at Dunholme Villas impeding the view from Big Lane. A letter had been sent to Gordon Albery but no reply had been received; this matter would also be included in the current letter, with a request for a reply in 14 days.

Motorbike (speeding) issues were reported by members.

36. Invoice for Legal Fees

An invoice from DLA Piper UK LLP was discussed. Upon a proposal by A. Winfrow which was seconded by A. Hardie, members agreed to pay £1,260 (plus VAT if billed).

37. Playing Field and Play Area

Members discussed issues which arose around the time of the opening of the new play area. A certificate of completion had not been issued at that time. In response to a query re disposal of old equipment, it was reported that any value had been included in (i.e. netted off) the price paid.

Two letters had been received raising various issues. It was agreed to reply referring to (a) the extensive consultation (b) a baby swing is to be bought (c) positive remarks outweigh the negatives (d) the new area is extremely well-used (e) the fencing arrangement was on advice from Rural Communities Officer and agreed by the Play Area Committee and the Council, but the situation would be monitored (f) clearing the land and disposing of the old equipment was included in price (g) invite them to next parish council meeting (h) the surfacing is being monitored and issues are being taken up with the contractor. A. Winfrow wished it recorded that in his view the cost was excessive for what had been obtained.

Mrs. V. Lilley requested a dog bin for the basketball area. Members agreed to await the outcome of an application to the County Council for a grant of £2,000. The project (excluding the now-proposed baby swing) was noted currently to be £2,140.48 under budget. A baby swing would cost £2,127. Upon a proposal by M. K. Collins which was seconded by B. Grice it was agreed unanimously to purchase this item. Mrs. A. Codling would order it and would also ask about inspection forms.

A member queried the use of the field for football training. Permission had not been sought.

38. Finance

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

	£
Rivers Idle & Ryton Internal Drainage Board - Drainage Rates (1520)	4.25
Holmes Groundcare Maintenance - Grass Cutting, May (1521)	164.50
SMP Playgrounds Ltd. - Play Area (1522)	45,607.57
Holmes Groundcare Maintenance - Grass Cutting, June (1523)	434.75
Broker Network Ltd. - Additional Premium (1524)	154.82
Clarborough & District Scouts - Litter Pick, 13 th June (1525)	60.00
A. Winfrow - Hammerite for Beacon (1526)	14.97
DLA Piper UK LLP - Legal Fees (1527)	1,260.00

39. Planning Applications and Determinations

Three new applications had been considered by the Planning Committee in order to meet District Council deadlines:

1/10/10/13 - J. Hindle, Apple Tree Cottage, Big Lane - install two bay windows - members raised no objection but queried whether a conservation order was in force.

1/10/10/14 - Mrs. S. Booth, Church View, Church Lane - extensions - no objections or observations were made.

1/10/10/15 - Clarborough Nurseries, Main Street - new farm shop to replace timber building - no objection was made, but comments were made in respect of (a) work already started for access/egress (b) agricultural tie (c) query re position of main entrance - boundary does not extend across Barcroft Lane and (d) previous history suggests that there should be a condition prohibiting future conversion to a dwelling.

A member reported that Clarborough Nurseries are in breach of earlier planning conditions.

No decision notices had been received from Bassetlaw District Council.

40. Reports of meetings

B. Grice referred to the public consultation on the "Development Framework" and the reference to renewable energy. Members further discussed wind farms, and a letter from Wheatley Wind Farm Resistance Group was noted. A letter would be sent to neighbouring parish councils as per the request at the annual public open meeting.

The NALC Area Committee meeting had been postponed from the 12 July to the 6th September.

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41. IT Group

Items for newsletter: (a) Neighbourhood Watch - volunteers were needed from each street, with a public meeting with Terry Reynolds around the middle of September. The Chairman would make an approach; (b) Welham Christmas Lights - Mrs. F. M. P. Robinson would write an item; (c) Play area.

IT Agreement - The Group reported having bought a new scanner; the previous one had been scrapped. Accordingly the items listed in the appendix to the agreement needed amending.

42. Correspondence

The Council noted various items of correspondence.

43. Christmas Lights

Upon a proposal by the Chairman which was seconded by A. Hardie, it was unanimously agreed to allocate a £500 budget to A. Winfrow for lights. The tree lighting event would be held on Wednesday 8th December; the Senior Citizens' Party was to be held on Monday 13th December. Upon a proposal by A. Winfrow which was seconded by B. Grice, it was agreed to dispose of the existing lights.

44. Date and time of next Parish Council meeting

The next Parish Council meetings would be held on Mondays, 6th September, 4th October, 1st November and 6th December 2010 and 17th January, 7th March, and 4th April, 2011 at 7.00 p.m. in the Village Hall.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.35 p.m.

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