

CLARBOROUGH AND WELHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting

A meeting of the Clarborough and Welham Parish Council was held in the Village Hall on Monday, 7th March, 2011 at 6.30 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 Kath Sutton; J. E. Salmon (Clerk); PCSO Dave Airey; 12 members of the public.

127. Flooding Issues (including questions from the general public)

Ian Davies, drainage engineer, of Bassetlaw District Council attended for this item; John Bowler is his manager. Ian Davies described the current position in relation to flooding alleviation measures. Nottinghamshire County Council is now the lead Local Authority on flooding following the new legislation but Bassetlaw District Council wished to remain involved. The hydrological survey which they commissioned some time ago included the three worst-hit parishes, one of which was Clarborough & Welham; the relevant section of the report ran to some 50 pages. However, without grant aid via the Environment Agency, improvement works would not go ahead. Once options had been assessed, the consultants along with Bassetlaw would make a presentation within the village. B. Grice raised a query about the situation on the far side of the Chesterfield Canal, which appeared not to be included in the survey. G. Herdman asked whether the Planning Department's development strategy was included within the hydrological assessment and raised other detailed queries.

7.02 pm: Public Session (not part of the formal minutes): Kath Sutton spoke re disposal of the former school playing field; Greg Herdman referred to a substantial document on flooding issues that he had passed to Ian Davies; PCSO Report; Speedwatch. Item concluded 7.21 pm.

128. Apologies for absence - County Councillor Liz Yates; Councillor Mrs. L. S. Baines.

129. Declarations of Interest

Village Hall: Mrs. V. Lilley;
Village Ventures: A. Hardie; A. Winfrow.
Wind Farm: B. Grice

130. The Dog Warden was unable to attend.

131. Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 17th January, 2011

Upon a proposal by M. K. Collins which was seconded by Mrs. V. Lilley, the Council resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 17th January, 2011, having been circulated, be accepted as a true and correct record. The minutes were duly signed by the Chairman.

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132. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Minutes 116iv and 121i - The bench would be reinstated within the next two weeks

Minute 116v - Post Office - B. Grice had followed up on the previous letter but had received a reply identical to the previous one. A further attempt had been made and a response was awaited. B. Grice was given authority to pursue this matter. The issue would be included as an agenda item at the public meeting and the MP would be contacted.

Minute 116ix - SMP Playgrounds - Risk Assessment - Mrs. A. Codling would follow this matter up.

Minute 118 - 1/10/10/23 - Garden shed, South View Drive - The Chairman had received representations but no further action could be taken following the planning decision made by Bassetlaw District Council.

Minute 119iii - The tree issue at Gill Green had been resolved by AI Housing.

Minute 120 - Play Area - A petition had been received. The matter would be placed on the agenda again in the autumn. Receipt of the petition would be acknowledged, with reference being made to the advice received from Bassetlaw District Council's Rural Officer.

Minute 123 - It had not been necessary to write to the Data Protection Registrar.

133. Wind Farm proposals

A scoping study had been received. B. Grice commented on the proposals. The Chairman suggested that the issue should be included as an agenda item at the public meeting. It was agreed that B. Grice would submit a response to the Clerk for onward submission by the imminent deadline. A. Winfrow also commented, and G. Herdman was permitted to comment.

134. Planning Applications and Determinations

Two decision notices had been received from Bassetlaw District Council:

1/10/10/27 - Mr. S. Potts, Plot 1, Wayside, Big Lane - New Bungalow - Permission granted with various conditions.

1/10/10/28 - Mr. & Mrs. G. Evans, Foxfields, Leverton Road - Extensions - Permission granted with standard conditions.

One new application had been received:

1/10/11/3 - Clarborough Nurseries - Erect portal framed storage building - no comments or objections.

135. Highway and footpath issues

A report of a broken stile near Bone Mill Lane was noted. A. Hardie would progress this matter.

M. K. Collins referred to a hedge on the A620 towards Retford obstructing the footpath.

M. K. Collins reported on a loose gutter at shop. A letter would be sent.

The issue of the Gate Inn footpath would be followed up. Members referred to the possible reopening of the public house.

Mrs. F. M. P. Robinson referred to issues at Little Gringley Lane.

Dog fouling was reported in the Broad Gores / Celery Meadows area. The Chairman would address the issue of signage.

136. Finance

The Clerk reported on revised guidance issued to parish councils on the operation of PAYE.

It was agreed that decisions as to cheque signatories would be left until the annual meeting in May.

Clarification would be sought from Bassetlaw District Council with regard to the availability of grant aid.

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

	£
Clarbrough & District Community Association - Hall Hire (1556)	432.00
J. E. Salmon - Reimbursement of expenses (1557)	97.47
Holmes Groundcare Maintenance - Install Kissing Gates (P3) (1558)	840.00
A. Codling - Reimbursement of expenses (1559)	10.00
G. Palfreyman - Beacon Rent (1560)	5.00
J. E. Salmon - Expenses (1561)	9.73

137. Resurfacing of Village Hall driveway and car park

Three quotations, all around £18,400, had been obtained for resurfacing the driveway and car park. Members considered the budgetary position, and upon a proposal by A. Hardie which was seconded by A. Winfrow it was agreed unanimously to have all the work done at once, rather than in phases. It would be necessary to refer back two of the quotes, raising the issues of scalping and timing. Upon a proposal by A. Winfrow which was seconded by Mrs. V. Lilley, it was agreed unanimously to give authority to P. Gibson, B. Grice and A. Hardie to resolve the outstanding issues and accept one of the quotations.

138. Reports of Meetings

The Clerk reported on his attendance at the NALC Area Committee meeting.

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The process for the appointment of Parent Governors and Local Authority Governors was being investigated.

139. Disposal of former school playing field

Correspondence on this subject, both old and new, was noted. Alternatives mentioned included returning the land to the church, the provision of tennis courts and the provision of allotments. The matter would be placed on the agenda for the public meeting.

It was agreed to ask the Diocese what they were proposing to do re disabled access between the church and the top burial ground.

140. Correspondence

The Council noted various items of correspondence.

141. Dates of meetings 2011-2012

Meetings would be held on Mondays at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall on the 4th April, 16th May ('AGM' and also the separate Public Meeting), 13th June, 18th July, 12th September, 3rd October, 7th November, 5th December, 16th or 23rd January, 5th March.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.24 p.m.