

# **Goostrey Parish Council**

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#### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

## HELD ON TUESDAY, 11<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2014 at 7.30pm IN THE VILLAGE HALL LOUNGE

Present: Cllrs. Godfrey (Chairman) (PG), Collins (SC), Caulkin (CC), Craggs (DC), Lenihan (GL),

M<sup>c</sup>Cubbin (CMcC), Rathbone (TR) and Salmon (GS)

In attendance: Cheshire East Cllr. Andrew Kolker (AK)

Sharon Jones, Clerk to the Council

32 Members of the Public

#### 11.14.1. Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest made.

#### 11.14.2. To Accept Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Fagan and Leake.

## 11.14.3. To Approve the Minutes of the 14<sup>th</sup> October 2014

**Resolved:** The Parish Council resolved to accept the minutes as a true record of the meeting.

#### 11.14.4. Cheshire East Matters

Cllr Kolker informed the meeting that the owners of the car park in Holmes Chapel (HC) who had been issuing tickets of £100 if shoppers who had parked in the car park strayed from the precinct have now rescinded this policy but the 2 hour limit is still in place. They have reimbursed people who have been issued tickets. You can go to the library so long as you don't stay longer than 2 hours.

There has been an increase in HGV traffic in HC, the construction of the new pitches at the school means lorries are taking material to the school. The new HGV diversion appears to be working, lorry drivers are slowly getting used to it. The police are not enforcing it yet but there do seem to be less lorries in HC.

#### 11.14.5. Committee Matters

Village Hall Committee Budget Meeting of 27th October -

#### 11.14.6. Planning Matters

The PC will send their objection to the Bloor Homes access appeal will be sent in triplicate by 20<sup>th</sup> November.

With regard to the current Gladman consultation, the Chair reminded members of the public not to speak while the Members of the Parish Council discussed the subject. PG read out the letter the Parish Council had received from Gladman. The letter asked to meet with the PC privately but council members were not comfortable with this and TR proposed that the PC contact Gladman to suggest a meeting with members of the public in attendance, but that the meeting needed to be within the consultation period.

**Resolved:** The Parish Council resolved unanimously to write to Gladman suggesting a public meeting.

PG mentioned that because a number of developments have been proposed for the village, there was a need for residents to form an action group for the Gladman proposal. He went on to say that the PC has worked with the action groups for the other developments propoed in the village and needs to continue to do this.

CMcC said that the PC and residents need to be careful not to speak for Jodrell Bank, and the Clerk would ld check with CHALC to ensure there are no problems with Councillors joining residents groups.

SC mentioned that the Gladman development was not sustainable as the schools are full. But Gladman are saying that they will build a school at Brereton, with costs of £1000 per child per year to bus them to school.

PG added that the PC was disappointed with the attitude of the officers at CEC on housing Developments, in particular the one at Hermitage Lane where the Education Officer had stated that no expenditure on education was required. Highways only look to see if the roads are busy and the visibility splays. It is likely that Highways will say the roads are not busy compared with towns and they do not take the width of pavements into account so they have no reason to oppose it as these are the only criteria they consider.

Members of the council suggested that posters would be needed to advertise any public meetings about housing developments and that public opinion is sought it would be better to collect responses to increase the percentage of response returned.

PG mentioned the brochure for land owners produced by Gladman states that the planning application process costs landowners nothing, Gladman pay all costs and also pay a non returnable fee of £20,000 to owners of land with the potential for development by Gladman.

**Report from Northern Planning Committee Meeting** – CMcC said there had been a strong objection from JB to the proposed Hermitage Lane development and the applicant was accused of submitting a vexatious planning application as two had been submitted within 6 months. The applicant also said he would take it to appeal if the committee didn't grant permission and he would get planning permission at appeal.

Dromedary Lodge application is going to the Northern Planning Committee in December.

**Action:** The PC needs to contact Jodrell Bank regarding the Dromedary Lodge application and to ensure they are aware of the Gladman proposal.

## 11.14.7. Financial Payments

**Resolved:** The PC resolved unanimously to approve payments on schedule 11/14.

#### 11.14.8. Clerks report

#### Actions from the last meeting

- a. GS to look how reserves are noted in the accounts.
- b. Amenities Committee to look into the request for lights on the footpath between Main Road and the Village Hall Car Park.

#### Correspondence

- a. Mail from Twemlow Parish Council (Cllr Torney) regarding the use of Goostrey Village Hall as a control centre in the event of an emergency at Twemlow.
- b. Letter from Gladman homes regarding a proposed residential development of 132 houses off Main Road, Goostrey.
- c. E-mails from K Morris, M de Kretser, J Capper, I Henderson & M Brown regarding the proposed Gladman Development.
- d. Letters from Mrs Robson and 2 others regarding the Beech Tree at 77 Main Road, lifting the pavement and causing a hazard to pedestrians and mobility scooters. The tree is subject to a TPO.
- e. Letters of thanks for donations received from; Goostrey Scouts & Guides and Goosfest.

- f. Annual consultation on future plans for Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service
- g. G Hollinshead re: street lights out on Station Road.
- h. Cheshire East Partnership Team Draft Park Strategy Consultation
- i. Ineos Gas Storage Project workshop invitation 18<sup>th</sup> November.
- **11.14.9. Highways Matters & Speedwatch –** No new matters.
- 11.14.10. Local Policing No new matters.

#### 11.14.11 Community Emergency Planning Meeting

TR reported on the meeting he had attended on 22<sup>nd</sup> October. TR said that flooding was the example used in the table top exercise (Flooding in Hull ,Sheffield and Gloucester in 2007 – Sir Michael Pit produced a report highlighting the benefits of community resilience)

TR understood that the PC had previously tried to create a Community Resilience plan but there were issues with data protection because of the identification of community members who were at risk. CEC now says that using post code information negates data protection issues.

TR said that he felt there was a pragmatic way of getting a plan in place without too much effort. CMcC said the identification of vulnerable people was the stumbling block.

PG supported TR view that a plan was achievable using the template, as you don't actually identify the people until there is an emergency.

TR proposed a motion to produce a Community Emergency plan. CMcC seconded the motion.

**Resolved:** The PC resolved unanimously to create a Community Emergency Plan.

PG said that in principal the PC should allow Twemlow PC's request to use the Village Hall in the event of an emergency in Twelmlow, the details to be defined later.

#### 11.14.12. Friends of Goostrey Station

CC reported that 15 people are turning up to the action days on a regular basis and 1500 voluntary hours have been completed in the last few months. CC asked the members of the council to spread the word to get a few more people turning up on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month. Lots of plants to put in.

CC said rapid progress was being made on a historical project. The original key stone from the bridge had been found, and an original oil lamp will be made into a display. FOGS are not getting much help from Network Rail or Northern Rail. A meeting is being set up with PC, FOGS, Fiona Bruce and Network rail in the near future.

There are now three Duke of Edinburgh candidates helping out at the station.

TR suggested that the oil lamp needs to be secured to prevent theft. CC confirmed that special fittings were being used for the security of the lamp.

## 11.14.13. Annual Parish Meeting 2015 Dates – 31<sup>st</sup> March and 28<sup>th</sup> April.

PG suggested that the meeting should be earlier rather than later as a new council would be voted in at the election on 7<sup>th</sup> May. He suggested 31<sup>st</sup> March as the most suitable date.

**Resolved:** The PC resolved unanimously to hold the Annual Parish Meeting 2015 on 31<sup>st</sup> March.

**Action:** Clerk will need to prepare the annual accounts before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015.

## 11.14.14. Goostrey Village Archive Group

The next meeting will be on 13<sup>th</sup> November.

## 11.14.15. Minor items for the next meeting

## 11.14.16. Part II Youth Facility Working Party -

Review of the report by the working party by the Parish Council. Final proposal to go to the council in December. TR highlighted the items in the report for the PC.

PC members raised a small number of issues which needed to be borne in mind when drawing up the Deed of Transfer.

Motion to approve a demolition/asbestos survey at £450.00.

**Resolved:** The PC resolved unanimously to carry out a demolition/asbestos survey of the old Youth Centre at a cost of £450.00 plus VAT.

**Action**: Clerk to Organise Asbestos survey – DC to be key holder.

- **11.14.17** Date of Next meeting The date of the next meeting will be 11<sup>th</sup> November 2014.
- **11.14.18 Close** The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

#### **Public Session**

The following subjects were raised by members of the public:

- 5 year supply of housing land in Cheshire East
- How do the Southern and Northern Planning Committees make a decision if there is no established supply of housing land/number of houses required.
- The method of calculation of the 5 year supply of housing land.
- Does anyone at Jodrell Bank have proof that the development at Twemlow has affected the telescope?
- Support expressed for a Neighbourhood Plan
- Action Groups are against housing developments in Goostrey
- Public Meeting should be held when Gladman submits a Planning Application
- Gladman consultation does their consultation demonstrate community involvement as required by NPPF?
- Waste plant has not gone away! The owner will be submitting a new application for a permit.

These minutes will be submitted for approval at the next meeting. Until then they are draft minutes.