

## LITTLE GLEMHAM PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Council meeting held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2012 in the Parish Room

1. **Present from the Council:** Mr Peter Chaloner [Chairman] Sue Hussey; Stuart Hogg; Roger Blyth; Ceri Larman; Graham Peck [District Councillor] Pat Trinder [Clerk]
2. **Present from the Public:** None
3. **Apologies for Absence:** Philip Hope Cobbold; Colin Hart [County Councillor] PCSO Thora Taylor.
4. **Declaration of Interest:** None
5. **Minutes of the last meeting:** The Minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2012 were unanimously adopted and signed as a correct record.
6. **Matters Arising from the February 13<sup>th</sup> meeting:**
  - [a] Community Area:** Roger reported that one of the aluminium tubular sockets on one of the goal posts needed re-welding. This was exactly the same fault that had occurred to the other goal post, in the Autumn, and Peter offered to take the broken item to Peggs of Aldeburgh for repair, as before. It was noted that 4 fence posts now needed replacing. Peter advised that he had 3 spare fence posts in storage, and it was agreed that this issue could wait until the next working party, date to be arranged. No other problems were reported.  
*[A.P. Peter]*
  - [b] Maintenance of highways/pavements/footpaths:** No problems were reported; the clerk provided a supply of footpath leaflets for distribution in the parish
  - [c] SNT – Police Report:** A written police report for February had been circulated *[Copy to be filed with Minutes]*
  - [d] Neighbourhood Watch Scheme update:** Nothing to report.
  - [e] Proposed refurbishment of the village sign:** Stuart had spoken to someone prepared to do the woodwork, who had agreed to assess exactly what needed to be done. Stuart hoped to be able to report further progress at the next meeting. The Chairman commented that it would be nice to get the work done before the Olympic Torch is carried through the village on 5<sup>th</sup> July. The Chairman reported that some of the wood on the opening section of the village noticeboard positioned on the outside of the bus shelter is rotten and agreed to approach Geoffrey Fairhead to see if he would be willing to carry out the necessary repairs.  
*[A.P. Peter & Stuart]*
  - [f] Four Village Bypass Working Party update:** Stuart reported that a meeting has been arranged between representatives of the Working Party and Dr. Poulter and Theresa Coffee on the 27<sup>th</sup> April. The working party had put together a list of questions for debate, and had also sent a letter to neighbouring parishes, along the A12, including Yoxford, Darsham and Wrentham, requesting relevant feedback about their specific areas. The clerk had circulated a reply received from EDF, in response to the Council's enquiry relating to the timescale for the next round of consultation meetings with Parish Councils. EDF confirmed that the transport studies are continuing and they are also progressing investigative works and a number of environmental assessments on the main site where the power station could be built. They hope to start their first stage of public consultation on the proposals later this year and will provide the Parish Council with adequate notice ahead of this.  
*[A.P. Stuart]*
  - [g] Annual Litter Pick 2012:** The clerk confirmed that the necessary materials had been ordered from SCDC. The Chairman reiterated his preference for having a united effort on an agreed date and a provisional date of Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April was agreed. It was agreed to assign areas, as in previous years, and the clerk was asked to email details to councillors.  
*[A.P. Clerk]*

7. **District Councillor's Report:** Graham reported on the new N.A.L.C. Legal Topic notes relating to Members' Conduct and the registration and disclosure of their interests, and Pre-Determination – [Agenda item 10] – details of which had already been circulated via email. Following the disbandment of the Standards Board at the end of January 2012, the District Council is working on a new Code of Conduct which it is hoped will be published in July. In the meantime it is recommended that LGPC continues with the existing Code, until they are in a position to make a decision to either retain the existing Code indefinitely, or replace it with the revised District Council model. Graham thought that the Council should receive relevant consultation documents from SCDC in approximately eight weeks. It was thought that it would probably be in the Council's interests to adopt the new format. Referring to the paperwork that had been circulated, Peter was unclear about exactly what 'sanctions' would apply to someone who had digressed and other councillors were concerned that items such as 'pecuniary interest' and 'pre-determination' were not clearly defined, and, in the case of the latter, would be next to impossible to prove. Following a further brief discussion, it was agreed to await further clarification and receipt of the formal documentation from the District Council.
8. **Planning:**  
**[a] Application No. C12/0449 – 20 Shop Lane, Little Glemham: Erection of one-and-a-half storey rear extension:** The Council raised no objections to this application.
9. **Finance:**  
**[a] Financial Update:**  
The amount in the current account is £ 57.69  
The amount in the deposit account is £3,015.39  
**Total: £3,073.08**  
**[b] Invoices presented for payment:** There are no invoices presented for payment, therefore the combined amount held in the Accounts is £3,073.08.  
**[c] VAT reclamation for 2011/12:** An amount of £71.38 will be claimed.
10. **New N.A.L.C. Legal Topic Notes [a] Members' Code and the registration & disclosure of their interests; [b] Pre-Determination:** Discussed under Agenda Item 7 - above.
11. **Matters of Report:** Documents received and circulated since the last meeting:  
**[a] S.A.L.C. Agenda Papers: Suffolk Coastal Area Meeting: Monday 19.3.12**
12. **Any Other Business:** Nothing to report.
13. **Date of next meeting: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2012**

Signed as a correct record.....

Peter Chaloner

**Date:** 16<sup>th</sup> April 2012

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