

GLINTON PARISH COUNCIL



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

held on Tuesday 17th November 2015
at the Village Hall, High St.

Present: Councillors; JFW Holdich (Chairman), D Batty, Liz Bond, Mrs C Bysshe, RW Johnson, G Kirt, RW Randall, P Skinner, ETE Spendelow, D Wragg, Mr JV Haste (Clerk). Also present 4 members of the public were recorded as in attendance.

MINUTES OF MEETING

Action

- 1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** — Councillor David Lane, Unwell
- 2 **MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – None
- 3 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
 - i) Mr. Leigh Titman of 3 School Lane spoke in opposition to the planning application item 6d on the agenda. Principle objections were overbearing proximity of the proposed development, non-compliance with planning policies in a conservation area, factual inaccuracies in the documentation supporting the application and erroneous assumptions about the impact on neighbours and views of the Church Spire. Mr Titman had prepared a multi page document and a one minute video to demonstrate the objections
 - ii) Mr George Attfield spoke in support of the proposed parking restrictions for the junction of Welmore Road and Ashburn close to remedy the dangers caused by cars parked too close to that junction.
 - iii) Councillor Holdich referred to the new litter bin installed at the Southern entry to the playing field and how such bins could avoid overflowing and also save money by virtue of needing less emptying.
 - iv) Councillor Holdich also referred to the traveller(s) on the Lincoln Road and that they would soon move off (before being evicted) but intended to return at Christmas to be close to Family because of illness
 - v) Councillor Randall drew attention to the WW1 memorial plaque recently installed in the village hall and all thanked councillor Kirt for the excellent wooden surround
 - vi) Councillor Bysshe announced a further litter pick on 28th November between 11am & 1pm
- 4 **TO SIGN AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MEETING DATED 15th September 2015.**

RESOLVED that they be signed as an accurate record
Proposer. Cllr Johnson Seconder Cllr. Bysshe.
- 5 **MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** - none
- 6 **PLANNING**
 - a) Cllr. Johnson updated the meeting on current applications, including noting the outcome of two planning applications on the list before members. Both had been permitted since the agenda papers had been sent out
 - b) Cllr. Johnson also updated the meeting on the successful outcome of our representations to Planning committee in opposition to the Gas compressor upgrade in its present form. Members noted that the PCC committee in refusing the application suggested more could be done to disguise the equipment to lessen the impact on the rural landscape
 - c) **15/00095/FUL** 30B Lincoln Road – Members had previously considered

SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

this application as a proposal to have 9 dwellings on this site. The plans had been revised with a demolition of the existing property at the entrance to the site leaving only 8 dwellings on conclusion of the construction Phase. Parish Council remained opposed to this application because

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1. The proposal did not make best use of the site, a previous application had been for 14 properties. Particularly relevant as PCC were in process of revising the local plan to cater for increased new development
 2. Housing needs survey in the village showed a need for 2 & 3 bedroom dwellings not more 4 & 5 bedroom upmarket dwellings
 3. Previous applications left an access to adjoining land thereby allowing further development. This proposal had no such provision.
 4. Parish council objected to gated communities in favour of open access. Also on the grounds of safety, citing the dangers caused by obstruction on the main road resulting from the need to open and close gates for vehicles entering and leaving the site
 5. Location of a bin store adding to the dangers referred to in the previous paragraph as well as being not in keeping with upmarket housing.
- d) **15/01624/FUL** – Nursery facility at the primary school – Parish council were mindful of the comments by Mr Titman at the start of the meeting, but were also mindful that the nursery is a valuable facility and the principle of expansion in to a permanent facility is supported by the parish council.

Councillors were however UNANIMOUSLY OPPOSED to the plans in their current form for the following reasons.

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1. The proposed building materials did not comply with planning policies in conservation areas (BM1).
 2. The proposed building did not comply with Ginton specific planning policies & would mar the current view of the spire from Lincoln Road (Glin1) and was not in keeping with surrounding buildings, in particular the school (Glin2)
 3. Documentation was shoddy and referred to heritage assets in Peakirk and the development site as opposite St Pega's church. Suggesting the application had been hastily cobbled together
 4. The proposal appeared to block off a potentially valuable vehicular access to the rear of the school
 5. Parish council supports residents in their legitimate planning observations and the all residents feedback favoured site is that currently occupied by the applicants not that proposed
 6. Contrary to the previous point the site chosen was on the opposite side of the school, even closer to the school's nearest neighbour Parish council were of the view that if officers were deemed to consent then the application should be referred to committee to allow our objection to be considered
- e) **15/01684/CTR** – 18 Welmore Road - various tree works including crown reductions and felling of some Poplars – Parish council had no objections subject to the tree and conservation officers being satisfied

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- 7 **SLCC MEMBERSHIP FEES** – Council noted the content of the clerk’s report and that the fee resulted in reduced costs of training courses attended by the clerk and also available to Councillors. **RESOLVED** To approve payment of the renewal fee of £103
Clerk
Proposed Cllr. E Spendelow Seconded Cllr. D Wragg
- 8 **FINANCE** – To authorise the appointment of Unity Bank as Bankers. The clerk advised Council that our current bankers, Barclays, have no facility for multi authorisation of online payment that mirrors our current practice for drawing and authorising payments by cheque. To enable the parish council to adopt efficient and secure internet banking we had authorised the clerk to negotiate terms for changing from Barclays to Unity Trust Bank. The clerk had circulated terms and conditions relating to “Tailored Current and Savings accounts” to all Councillors prior to our meeting, and a copy was produced to the meeting. We **RESOLVED**:-
1. To appoint Unity Trust Bank as our Bankers.
2. To open both a tailored current account and tailored Savings account on the terms and conditions before us.
3. To acknowledge that banking terms and conditions may be varied from time to time.
4. That the mandate for the operation of the bank accounts, payment instructions and banking services be specified, or later amended, in accordance with the bank’s procedures, by the clerk and confirmed by two of the four signatories approved at the time.
5. To acknowledge that the bank is entitled to rely on the approved mandate until such time as it is amended by a later mandate in accordance with the process approved at 4 above
Clerk to notify Unity Trust Bank
Proposed Councillor Kirt Seconded Councillor Mrs Bysse
- 9 **LAWN CEMETERY MAINTENANCE** – Cllr. Holdich reminded council that Mr. Noble had given 12 months’ notice of his intention to retire at the end of March 2016 and that the person who had assisted Mr. Noble was interested in taking on the role when Mr. Noble retired. The clerk was asked to arrange an interview/meeting with members of the HR Working group.
Clerk to arrange
- 10 **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING** – Councillors noted that there had been 2 meetings of the working group since the last council meeting and that a draft plan had been put together but needed editing. Further work was to be done to include landscaping in the document. Discussion had also taken place with Peakirk parish council who had obtained grant for some professional advice in the production of their neighbourhood plan. The working group intended to research for similar grant aid and advice to assist and refine our neighbourhood plan.
Working Group
- 11 **DEFIBRILLATOR** – Cllr. Kirt reported on behalf of the working group that they had researched various options ranging from purchase to grant aided provision. All options would involve some cost for installation and small ongoing costs for minimal electricity consumption. British Heart foundation would provide up to 5 installations but this option carried legal obligations. There was also a need to have 10 or more trained volunteers as first responders to use the equipment. The group were to carry out further research on the availability of grants.
Working group
- 12 **RECREATION GROUND TREE REPLACEMENT** – Cllr. Kirt reported that, as authorised at the previous meeting, he had obtained prices ranging from £50 to £150, for various trees available at Helpston garden centre. Having seen the trees, he recommended purchase of an Oak, approximately 9 ft at a cost of £50 to replace the one dead tree on the playing field. **RESOLVED** to purchase the Oak as recommended.
Cllr. Kirt

Proposed Councillor Mrs Bysshe Seconded Councillor Wragg

13 RURAL CRIME REPORT FOR OCTOBER – update noted

HIGHWAYS –

- a) Local Transport Plan – A copy of the consultation document was provided to each councillor and members requested the matter be placed on the December agenda so that a Parish Council response could be considered Clerk
- b) Parking restriction in the High Street requested at the previous meeting. City Council officer had requested clarification as to the hours that the restrictions would apply. Council agreed that this should be all day and not just applicable at the start and end of the school day Clerk to notify PCC
- c) Proposed changes to the hours of restrictions applicable in High street opposite North Fen Road. Parish Council were of the opinion that the restrictions are working well and that there should be NO CHANGE Clerk to notify PCC
- d) Proposed new restrictions at junction of Ashburn Close and Welmore Road – Parish Council supported the proposal Clerk to notify PCC
- e) Land at Beech Road entrance. Correspondence from Mrs Gogerly was noted as was the action of the clerk in referring this to the City Council for action
- f) Highway observations noted by Councillors – Councillor Johnson was of the opinion that traffic through the village had increased since the Lolham rail crossing had been made one way. Council felt this could only be confirmed by traffic survey which may be premature if the Lolham restrictions were changed.

Meeting closed at 9.12 pm.



Original signed

Mr J Haste

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20th November 2015

Chairman

Dated:

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