

GREAT BLAKENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN THE PARISH ROOM, MILL LANE, GREAT BLAKENHAM ON WEDNESDAY 12th OCTOBER 2011

PRESENT: R. Edrupt, Mrs S Fairburn, P. McLaudlin, R. Simpson and District Councillor J Field

10.1 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

A member of the public was concerned that the date of the Jubilee celebrations for the village did not clash with the proposed televised celebrations.

10.2 REPORTS OF THE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

Councillor J Field's reported on the integration of services between Mid Suffolk and Babergh District Councils, the National Planning consultation and the Local Development Framework, the possibility of a district heating system for the new housing development from the incinerator site, schools within the County converting to Academy Status.

He also reported that a meeting had been arranged with SCC and other interested parties to consider the road network around Needham Market on Monday 17th October and would the Parish Council consider sending a representative. It was agreed that Robert Simpson attend the meeting.

10.3 REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER

PCSO Brill's report is attached.

10.4 Apologies: Miss L Martin, Mrs P Robinson and District Councillor M Blakenham

10.5 Declarations of interest appropriate to any item on the agenda – None were received.

10.6 MINUTES of the meeting of 14th September 2011 were approved and signed.

10.7 WORKPLAN

All Parish Councillors present received an update on the outstanding matters.

08/06 6.11 – Railway Barriers – The reports had been forwarded to Dr. Dan Poulter MP.

14/09 9.10 – Allotments – The Clerk and Chairman to investigate further for contact details.

10.8 FINANCE

Monthly Payments – It was agreed to sign cheques to the value of £2,138.46.

10.9 QUALITY COUNCIL

All Councillors gave consideration to the Parish Council obtaining Quality Council status and with the agreement of the Parish Clerk it was agreed that the Clerk and the Parish Council work towards obtaining Quality Status.

10.10 ALLOTMENTS

The Chairman reported that the allotment tenancy agreement needed to be amended to include allotment plot boundaries. Having considered the amendments it was agreed that the new allotment tenancy agreement be sent to all allotment holders in February 2012 for signature with the rental request letter.

10.11 PLANNING

2679/11 – Erection of 14 dwellings together with associated garaging and car parking (substitution of house types to plots 233, 237, 278-281, 284-287 and 290-293 as approved under reserved matters approval 3489/09) – Former Masons Cement Works, Gipping Road – the following comments were forwarded to MSDC – The Parish Council has no comments.

MS/2169/11c6: ART 30 – Submission of details of Condition 6 of Planning Permission MS/2169/11/MMA – Great Blakenham Paper Waste Transfer Site, Site 2, Addison Way – the following comments were forwarded to SCC – The Parish Council has no comments.

10.12 DOG AND LITTER BIN EMPTYING BY MSDC

The Chairman reported that as from 1st April 2012 MSDC will be introducing charges for the emptying of all dog and litter bins within the village. It will cost £10 per litter bin per year and £15 per dog bin per year. The Parish Council's street cleaners informed the Council that they already emptied the litter bins within the village as part of their contract but would empty the dog bins at £10 per bin per year. It was agreed that the street cleaners empty the dog bins from 1st April 2012 at £10 per bin per year.

Chairman

Date