

Minutes of the Annual General meeting of the Glatton Parish Council
Held on 16th May 2016

Present:

Paul Williams (PW)

Paul Cole (PC)

Stephen Smith (SS)

Carl Stretton (CS)

Neil Mundell-Phipps (NMP)

11 residents of Glatton attended the meeting

1. Following the uncontested election on 5th May, the clerk welcomed and introduced the new members of the council.

2. Apologies

Darren Tysoe sent his apologies

3. Election of Chairman

PW elected as chairman (proposed by SS and seconded by PC)

4. Election of Vice Chairman

PC elected as vice chairman (proposed by SS and seconded by NMP)

5. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 26th February 2016 were signed by the chairman as a true record of the proceedings.

6. Matters Arising

There are no matters arising that are not already on the agenda.

7. Community Speed Watch Report

PC presented the community speed watch report (attached) and is also available on the web site. The application for lottery funding to purchase more equipment has been unsuccessful because the Speedwatch scheme is run by Cambridgeshire Police Force and therefore they are unable to award funding to Glatton Parish Council to purchase equipment.

Request for more volunteers

8. Defibrillator Training

The options available

- a) Professional body St. John's Ambulance / Red Cross £105 pp+vat
- b) Independent trainer 4-5 hour course including basic life support for 12 people £356.00
- c) Online training course £30-£50 pp

NMP suggests that the practical training is more useful than the online training. Legally no training is required but training would raise confidence.

SS suggests that an evening is held where the village are invited along and given a demonstration of the defibrillator. NMP would be able to give the demonstration. NMP to obtain some potential dates from the trainer for CPR and defibrillator training.

9. Finance

i) Approval of Annual Governance Statements

The annual internal audit having been completed, the members reviewed the effectiveness of the system of internal control. Approval proposed by PW and seconded by PC. Approval unanimous.

ii) Approval of Annual Accounting Statements

The internal audit having been completed the members considered and approved the accounting statements. Approval proposed by PW and seconded by PC. Approval unanimous. The accounting statements were then signed by PW.

iii) Finance Report

The balance in the current account is £102.93 and in the business reserve account is £11,593.72. The precept of £4,000 has been received.

iv) Budget

Budget presented. Trees on the village green may need work, however this is the responsibility of Highways who own the village green and not the responsibility of the council.

v) Assets Register and Zurich Insurance Policy

The Zurich insurance policy is due for renewal. The cost is £251.85. This is on the understanding that the all risks total is less than £10,000. However including the new defibrillator box the assets register values the assets at £ 10,695.00.

However recently the valuation of the assets has been increased year on year by 3% but the value of the assets including bus shelter, benches, telephone kiosk, notice board, salt box and defibrillator box is less than £10,000. The council authorise the clerk to renew the insurance policy with Zurich and to pay the premium.

Question raised as to whether it would be the councils responsibility to replace the defibrillator if it no longer worked. Decided it would be the decision of the council at that time. There is a responsibility to ensure that the defibrillator is in good working order. The electro pads and battery will require replacing from time to time. The status of the defibrillator will be checked at each council meeting and signed that it is in good working order.

v) Bank Mandate

It is resolved that the two retired councillors Mr Brian Hackman and Miss Gillian Denton be removed and that Paul Williams and Carl Stretton be added as signatories to the current mandate for NatWest bank account numbers 08510342 and 19895054 and that the current mandate will continue as amended.

10. Cyclists and Horses

The roads through Glatton are becoming ever more popular with cyclists. The Council have been notified of a road race that will be held on 3rd July 2016 by Peterborough Cycling Club. The route will take the cyclists along High Haden Road and the finish line is also on High Haden Road. This is the third year that this cycle race has been held using the same route and in the past two years the cycle race has come into conflict with the local livery yard. The road is not closed for the event but the marshals treat the road as if it has been closed, and there much tooting of horns and flashing lights which upsets the horses. It has been confirmed that they have the authority of the police, although upon investigation this is not Cambridgeshire Police. PC has been in contact with British Cycling who are in the process of reviewing all their events to deem whether they are safe. However CS confirmed that they are not breaking any rules by holding a road race and must try to build a relationship with the organisers. PC to contact British Cycling and also the race organisers to speak with them about the problems that the race has caused previously and if on the day of the race further problems of a similar nature occur then the police will be called.

11. Litter Bins

It has been confirmed by HDC that the two litter bins in Glatton belong to the Parish Council. Apparently this type of bin has never been installed by HDC. The cost of emptying the bins therefore now falls to the Parish Council. HDC have been notified that we no longer require them to empty the bins, although up to the present time they are continuing to do so. As soon as HDC take us off the bin emptying rota then the bins will be removed by PC and the litter situation will be monitored.

12. Correspondence

We have been notified by the Local Government Boundary Commission have re opened the consultation period on its new draft recommendations for electoral arrangements for Cambridgeshire County Council. The consultation opened on 10th May and closes on 20th June. The draft recommendations are available on the consultation area at www.consultation.lgbce.org.uk

Open Meeting

The chairman opened the meeting for those in attendance to raise any matters of concern.

i) Defibrillator – resident with contacts with St. John's Ambulance will contact them to find out about training. However it was pointed out that it is necessary to continue with CPR whilst another person fetches the defibrillator. The local gym run training sessions for their staff. Maybe the person who does the training at the gym might be available for a training session. NMP to investigate.

ii) Flight Path – The small aeroplanes who fly over Glatton have been practising stunt flying and doing loop the loops over the livery yard on High Haden Road causing upset to the horses. The feeling is that the planes are flying too low. CS commented to make a note of the serial number and CS can provide a contact. There are regulations that must be observed and it may be that the pilots are not aware of the damage that they are causing.

iii) Dog Poo – There is an increasing problem with owners not picking up dog poo. The only way to address the problem is to raise awareness and policing. If you can take photos of the offenders they can be reported to HDC.

14.AOB

PW thanked the clerk for her hard work over the past year.

15. Date of Next Meeting – 5th September 2016, 7pm, Glatton Village Hall

Meeting closed at 8.25pm