

Minutes of the Meeting of Glatton Parish Council
Held on 2nd September 2015

Present:

Stephen Smith (SS)

Paul Cole (PC)

Brian Hackman (BH)

Gill Denton (GD)

5 residents of Glatton attended the meeting (one resident arrived at 7.30pm)

1. Apologies

PW sent his apologies. SS took the chair in his absence.

2. Minutes

Number 6 of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 6th May 2015 was amended to read as follows:
“The Police have restructured speed watch, and PC is now the community speed watch co coordinator for the Peterborough area. This also encompasses the installation of traffic monitoring equipment that will provide the police with better data re speeding traffic and allow them to plan where best to allocate scarce resources.”

The minutes were then signed as a true record of proceedings.

3. Matters Arising

On point 11 ii) in connection with opening the meeting to residents at the beginning rather than at the end, the view is that the format of the meeting should remain the same. However via the Glatton web site there will be an opportunity to submit comments or questions prior to the meeting so that these points may be considered during the meeting.

4. Community Speed Watch Report

Speed watch has been quiet during the school summer holidays. It will start again during the next two weeks with the focus being on Sawtry Road. When the proposed speed calming measures have been completed then the speed watch will again focus on B660.

5. Speed Calming Report

The public consultation period is due to end on 4th September and as long as there are no objections then the work will commence.

6. Village Green

Having submitted 24 further witness statements an e mail has been received to confirm that a report will now be sent to the service director of infrastructure and operations who has the authority to approve new registrations of Town and Village Greens. The report will be presented in the last week of September.

7. Finance Report

The precept of £4,000 has been received. The balance in the current account is £1,989.93 and in the business reserve account is £8,591.04. The large amounts still to be paid this year are £2,010 for grass cutting and £3,500 towards the cost of the speed calming improvements. In view of the fact that BH and GD intend to step down from the council next May perhaps try to generate some interest within the village by putting a notice on the Glatton web site

8. Correspondence

i) Cambridgeshire County Council's Corporate Communications Team are trying to improve ways of communicating information to the residents of the county, so over the next six months they will send summaries of key items that they consider to be of interest to residents by way of a Parish bulletin. This has been forwarded to Carole Green and will be available on the Glatton web site.

ii) Received from Simon Bywater Cambridgeshire County Council Financial Challenge and Response, regarding the financial challenges facing Cambridgeshire over the next five years, and the actions being introduced to make the council a more efficient organisation.

iii) HDC has sent an Environmental Maintenance Request asking for information of areas maintained by the Parish Council. Unfortunately the map which was included hasn't been colour coded. Clerk to contact the council to get a new colour coded map.

Open Meeting

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

i) Request for information on areas which the Parish Council maintains the grass cutting. These are the Village Green, piece of land by the bus stop, verges around the church and area of grass on Church Road behind the church and finally the area of grass outside Poets Row. Will have more information on the areas of County Council responsibility when we obtain a colour coded map.

9. AOB

ii) Complaint from the livery on High Haden Road regarding the cycle race that took place in September. The race took place with only five days notice which affected an event taking place at the livery which had to be cancelled. The cyclists and marshals vehicles effectively closed the road. PC will pass the details to the clerk who will approach the cycle club.

iii) Dog fouling on the footpaths and Mill Hill is still a problem. A reminder of the responsibility of dog owners via the Glatton web site and Glatton Face Book page.

iv) Neighbourhood Watch programme is run by Gill and Joan Denton and the E Cops notifications are available on the Glatton web site.

10. Date of next meeting – TBA

Meeting closed at 7.50pm