

Minutes of Glatton Parish Council
Meeting held on Wednesday 30th March 2011

Present

Roy Bennett

Gill Denton

Brian Hackman (Chairman)

Lynette Prain

Paul Williams

There were two residents of Glatton in attendance.

1. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 15th December 2010 were signed by the Chairman as a true record of proceedings.

2. Safety Audit

There were no identifiable items of concern in respect of parish property with the possible exception of the trees by Poet Rowe's House. Paul Williams agreed to approach a tree surgeon for an informal inspection to be carried out.

3. Bank Balances

The Clerk informed members of the Parish Council's current and reserve bank balances.

4. Grass Cutting 2011 Season

The Clerk informed members that he had been obliged to seek quotes for grass cutting as the contractor the Parish Council had used for the last two seasons had withdrawn due to a relocation. Mr Andrew Davis submitted the lowest quote and members authorised the Clerk to engage him to carry out the work.

5. Correspondence since last meeting

The Clerk brought to the attention of members items of correspondence received since the last meeting.

One item was from Cambridgeshire County Council outlining its Highway Warden Scheme which is intended to create a

single point contact between the Highway Authority and the Parish Council. Lynette Prain agreed to be nominated Highway Warden for the Parish Council.

6. Other Business

- (i) The Chairman raised the issue of a proposed extension of the Kingscliffe low level hazardous waste tip and its relevance to Glatton. He was of the view that the tip would not be a health risk for the residents of Kingscliffe or surrounding villages, including Glatton, and recommended that no action should be taken by the Parish Council in respect of the matter.
- (ii) Lynette Prain reported to members about her recent attendance at a meeting arranged by Richard Preston, Head of Road Safety for the County Council. The meeting was intended to set up a monitoring system for commercial vehicle movements through settlements. Lynette formed the view that such an exercise would be of no benefit to Glatton and that it should be carried out at a national level and not at a parish council level.
- (iii) Roy Bennett referred to recent report concerning a requirement for National Insurance to be paid by Parish Clerks. The Clerk would investigate but it was likely that the Clerks allowance was below the National Insurance threshold. In view of the large increase in the Clerks expenditure members agreed to increase the payment by £100.00 per annum.
- (iv) Paul Williams informed members that trees were encroaching onto the highway on the North side of Glatton Ways and agreed to take the matter up with the landowners. Mr Ayres has pointed out how

wet and treacherous is BR5 (the Bunny Run) and Lynette Prain agreed to contact the County Council. To solve the problem the dyke needs cleaning out and a french drain installing.

- (v) Lynette Prain informed members that the village seats need jetwashing.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.40 pm