

# **Gedney Hill Parish Council**

Minutes of the Gedney Hill Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May  
2018 in the Memorial Hall at 18.45 hours

## **Present**

Councillors P Redgate (Chairman)  
K James (Vice Chairman)  
D Mann  
I Coles  
J Venters

## **Also Present**

Councillor N. Pepper  
Councillor M. Seymour  
2 representatives from Anglian Water  
1 member of the public

## **Minutes**

Mr. Paul Redgate (Chairman)

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked the Vice Chairman (Cllr K James) for his hard work.

### **1. Public Forum**

There were no issues raised by the public at this part of the meeting

### **2. Apologies for Absence and acceptance**

Winston Brown  
PCSO Fylippa Bennett  
Mrs. L Sutton

All apologies for absence were accepted by the Chairman.

### **3. Declarations of Interest and consideration of any request for dispensation**

The Chairman advised under item 5. he would be unable to comment.

Also Cllr Mann advised on one of the Planning Applications received he would not make a comment as he was aware of the applicant.

### **4. Minutes of the last meeting**

It was agreed that the minutes were a true record of the proceedings held on 19 March and were duly signed by the Chairman.

### **5. Anglian Water**

- a. Two representatives from Anglian Water attended the meeting to advise the local residents and Council on the works to reinforce the current water main within the village. A map of the proposed works was presented along with a

brief presentation of the work to be undertaken. The main disruption for the work would be on West Drove South, Mill Lane and the junction of Station Road and Highstock Lane. Any residents with issues were advised to contact Anglian Water directly or through a Parish Councillor.

- b. An update was given on the meeting with Anglian Water on the First Time Sewage Scheme. Whilst the meeting was positive no feedback had been received and it was hoped this would be available for the next Parish Council Meeting.

## **6. Police Update**

Although no PSCO was present below is a summation of the recent incidents in the area.

West Drove North – dogs getting out of properties ground in to other residents' properties and highways

Burglary – Red Lion Inn, Hillgate

Rogue Trader fish sellers

iTunes scam – contacting vulnerable and elderly person to spend their own money over thousands of pounds on vouchers to then contact the scammer back giving all the codes. Victim then scammed out of money. Look at Friends against scams, Action Fraud and Financial conduct authority for up to date scams. To prevent scams get call blockers and registers Telephone preference service online and Mail preference service online.

## **7. Highways**

- a. The issue with parkin on North Road is still ongoing. The Chairman advised he would be having a meeting with the school to raise the issue once more and see what alternatives could be achieved to reduce/mitigate any future issue.
- b. North Road had recently been closed and resurfaced in places but there still remained large sections which required remedial work.
- c. The kerbstones at the shop had been raised again and these were going to be looked at. The issues is largely due to cars driving onto the footpath and causing the damage.
- d. The potholes on Highstock Lane are being increasingly dangerous and this was raised with Highways at Lincolnshire County Council. This issue is ongoing and would be followed up prior to the next meeting if not resolved. Councillor Pepper advised he would inspect and pass on his thoughts.

## **8. Speeding**

- a. The Community Speedwatch Project was on the notice board, however, to date only two residents had shown interest. This would be tracked and as soon as the area officer appointed they would be invited to attend the next Parish Council meeting.
- b. There were resident concerns on the level of speeding in the village especially outside the school. The Vice-Chairman had to respond to a local complaint directly. It is hoped with the Speedwatch Project this would assist any issues.

### **9. All the Planning Applications were noted at Council**

No planning meeting had been held so no update was provided on any of the previous applications.

One new application was received the Parish Council agreed to support the Application.

### **10. Defibrillator refresher training course update**

The 3 key holders had been contacted on remaining holder. These were accepted. Additionally it was also agreed to inspect the equipment as it was due. The proposed training course would also be confirmed at the next Parish Council Meeting.

### **11. Sports Pavilion**

- a. Given the lack of take up of the Pavilion hire the Chairman advised he would make contact with local leagues directly to discuss the usage and report back at the next meeting.
- b. Dog fouling still remains an issue with the field a notice has been placed in the noticeboard and also there is a sign on the entrance to the field. This would continue to be monitored in the interim period.
- c. The Chairman advised he would design and produce a community newsletter for the Parish Council. He would highlight this issue and others. Additionally the facility would be added to the South Holland District Council register of available facilities with the hope it may attract someone to use it.

### **12. Notice Board**

The Parish Council updated on the grant which had been agreed for the new Noticeboard. Given all the different options available it would be discussed with the local shop to confirm following their refit of style/colour in keeping with the design of the building. The Chairman would contact the store to confirm the decision of the size of board to be installed.

The Parish Council would like to acknowledge the grant received from the Wryde Croft Wind Farm Community Fund, a charitable fund managed by Cambridgeshire Community Foundation.

### **13. South Holland Parish Voluntary Car Service**

Following receipt of information relating to the South Holland Parish Voluntary Car Service from Councillor Newton it was agreed that if any member of the Parish wished to use or get involved in this they should contact SHDC and Cllr Newton to confirm the details further.

### **14. Clock Servicing**

The Parish Council agreed to get the clock services from an external company and at the same time get the clock assessed and updated on the asset register to ensure we have sufficient insurance. It was agreed that if Cllr Coles was available

he would facilitate the company inspecting the clock and looking at the timing mechanism.

**15. Resident concerns over Garden Waste Collection.**

The Chairman advised that SHDC now had a service which enabled the collection of garden waste through a brown bin. Initially the resident in question would be pointed in the area of this through SHDC. It was also raised whether anything could be done locally in the village. It was felt that we have no direct control on waste collection but we would see what alternatives were available to residents.

**16. Community Emergency Plan v Good Neighbour Scheme.**

Following the previous meeting the council reviewed the document provided by Cllr Pepper on the Good Neighbour Scheme and it was felt that this represented the needs of the village far better. It was agreed that if anyone in the village felt vulnerable the Parish Council would retain the details of individuals locally with their permission to ensure at times of bad weather, or other localised events that they could be checked on to ensure they were ok.

**17. Audit**

All agreed to audit preparation. Cllr Redgate signed and dated documents.

**18. Financial Update**

Financial Update to follow.

Meeting Closed at 19.51

**Dates of Next Meetings:**

The date of the next meeting will be Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July in the Memorial Hall at 18.30 hours.

It should be noted that the posting of minutes on the website takes place prior to acceptance and approval of them by the attendees of the relevant meeting.