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GREAT EASTON PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
of the 1st December 2014
in the Village Hall

Present: Cllr B Tyler (Chairman), D Gibley (Clerk), Cllrs: N Clarke, P Long, L Parker and G Vizma.

Mr and Mrs R Harvey, Mrs H Miles and Rev R Barribal also attended

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr A Murdock

2. Welcome

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting and said that, as customary, he would take those items of personal interest to the public first.

- **Dog Day Care Centre – 14/01446/FUL.** Cllr Parker said that the second application was still “under consideration” by HDC. Cllr Parker confirmed that strong representations had been made to HDC and also Cllr D Beaty, who was fully aware as to the local concerns. The Chairman confirmed he had also spoken to Cllr D Beaty following the previous PC meeting.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting of 3rd November 2014.

The minutes, previously circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes.

- **Molesworth Charity.** The options for winding up the small charity remain to be finalised.

Action: Cllr Clarke

- **Lampposts.** The Clerk reported that LCC had not yet responded to his request for a list of all lampposts for which the PC had responsibility, which is understood to include 4 remaining wooden lampposts, prior to a decision regarding possible replacement of the wooden lamppost in Deepdale. Cllr Vizma queried the ownership of the wooden lamppost in Banbury Lane

Action: Clerk

- **Banbury Lane Sign.** The Clerk reported that the redundant sign had now been removed.

5. Planning Matters

Cllr Parker said that there nothing new to report

6. Financial Matters

- **Cheque payments.** The following payments were authorised:

101050	£40.00	J Pavey –Bugler at Remembrance Service
101051	£22.50	Wreath for war memorial
101052	£18.00	B Penfold –Bus Shelter

7. Arboreal matters.

Nothing to report

8. Police, Community and Heritage Matters

- **Bringhurst School car parking.** There was a full discussion concerning the anxieties expressed by many residents at the continued dangers arising from the car parking and speeding in the vicinity of Bringhurst School.

During discussion it was clear that it would be important to reiterate that the PC does not have the legal powers or statutory authority to directly intervene and that the immediate and longer term resolution of the many interlinked issues lies primarily with the School, the Police and Bringhurst and Drayton Parish Meeting, in whose geographic area the school is located.

It was agreed that the PC would continue to press for the repositioning of the speed limit signs.

Action: Cllr Clarke

The Clerk was asked to draft a response restating the PC's position. **Action: Clerk**

9. Neighbourhood Planning

Cllr Long reported on the progress to date concerning the Neighbourhood Plan (NP) for Great Easton. The main points were:

- **Open Event.** A most successful Open Event had been held on the 4th November. All households had been leafleted and over 100 residents attended.

- **NP Planning Committee.** Membership of the present NP Committee is:

Cllr Long – Chairman

Mr A Murdock

Mr S Upton

Rev R Barribal

Mr R Uppal

Mr D Gibley – Secretary

A further meeting is planned for December, specifically for those who had potentially expressed an interest in being involved in the planning process. It was confirmed that those listed above are de facto members of the PC Neighbourhood Planning sub-committee and will require to complete the statutory Register of Members' Interests.

- **Funding.** An initial application for £6,300 from the Locality Fund had been successful.

- **YourLocale.** YourLocale had been appointed as the NP Consultants. Cllr Long requested the Chairman to sign the Contract with YourLocale on behalf of the PC. This was agreed.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Long and the Clerk for their work to date in the NP process.

10. Grass Cutting -2015.

The tender process would commence after Christmas.

Action: Cllr Murdock

11. Poor's Charity.

Cllr Parker reported that the Solicitor's advice is:

- Draw up a Governing Document for the Charity
- Register the PC as the owners of the land
- Register the Charity with the Charity Commission

He invited the PC to consider how the field could best be used with the aim of agreeing a proposal for the Governing Document at the next meeting of the PC.

Concerning Ownership the Solicitor considers that the copy of the original c1840 bequest to the village and the handwritten ledger recording rent collections and payment receipts from 1891 to 2013 should be sufficient proof of ownership.

The two current trustees are Mrs C Gibb and Mrs H Miles.

Afternote. The annual rental for 2014 of £315 has been received from Mrs M Clarke and, as previously agreed, will be retained separately in the PC accounts until the legal status of the Charity has been confirmed.

12. AOB. The following matters were discussed:

- **Mr David Murcott – Bellringing.** The Chairman confirmed he had written to Mr D Murdock, as agreed at the last meeting.

- **Local Allotment.** The Clerk said he had received an enquiry how to source a local allotment. Rev Barribal offered to provide information as he had recently acquired an allotment in Caldecott.

Afternote. This request led to an interesting exchange of information concerning allotments, which included reference to a parliamentary question in 1887 concerning the possible use of the Poor's Charity field for allotments. The NP Group may include a review of local demand for allotments in the current neighbourhood planning.

- **HDC Christmas Networking Lunch – 15 December.** The Clerk said he planned to attend.

- **Register of Electors -2015.** The Clerk said that we have been advised by HDC that the 2015 Register of Electors will be issued in mid-December. One copy will then be distributed to all Cllrs.

15. Date of next meeting.

Monday 5th January 2015

DAC Gibley
(Clerk)

Cllr B Tyler
(Chairman)

