

# GRINGLEY ON THE HILL PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of a Meeting of the Council held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2009

**Present:** Councillors Dunkley, Foreman, Chambers, Hargreaves, Taylor, Hilton, Foster, Hargrave, Daniels, P. Baines – Clerk, PC N Thomas, CSO S Jones and 3 members of the public.

The Chairman introduced PC Nathan Thomas and welcomed him and PCSO Jones to the meeting

**09/10/127 TO APPROVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

All members were present

**09/10/128 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllrs Hargreaves and Foster declared a personal interest in item 29.

**09/10/129 TO APPROVE MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

Resolved: That the Minutes of meeting of the Council, held on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2009, be approved as a correct record.

**09/10/130 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

- It was reported that the grit bin had been installed at Wood Lane/ Laycock Avenue
- The Clerk had distributed a list of matters actioned. All discussed and noted.

**09/10/131 CRIME STATISTICS & POLICING / SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS**

Beat manager Nathan Thomas introduced himself and informed members about the reasons behind the questionnaire distributed at the start of the meeting. He went on to state that the Police had noticed an increase in suspicious activity that may be a precursor to winter crime, i.e. increased burglaries. He asked that all suspicious activity be reported to the Police for investigation.

The Clerk read out the reported crime statistics:

09/09/09 Burglary Other School

28/09/09 Burglary Other High Street.

The members discussed the recent motorcycle nuisance in the village and PC Thomas and PCSO Jones undertook to monitor the situation.

The next Safer Neighbourhood Meeting is scheduled for Wed 18<sup>th</sup> November in the village hall.

**09/10/132 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

Resolved: that the following accounts, details of which had been previously circulated, be approved for payment including VAT where applicable:

CHQ NO.	PAYEE	MATTER	CHEQUE
806	SLCC	Clerks Cilca Resit Fee	40.00
807	NN Landscapes	Grass Cutting	218.50
808	BCVS	Website Maint Oct	20.00
809	Clement Keys	Audit Fee	327.75
810	Cottage Gardens	Grass Cutting	827.00
811	P Baines	Oct Net Salary + Expenses	542.14
812	R Skelton	Oct Net Salary + Expenses	97.13
813	Post Office Ltd	Income Tax & NI	205.60



814	LC Printing	ServicesPrinting Agendas	6.86
815	Eon	Pavilion Electricity	70.35

- 09/10/133 CONCLUSION OF AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2009**  
The Clerk informed the members that the accounts had been signed by External Audit with an unqualified opinion. The members approved the accounts. The Notice of Conclusion of Audit had been placed on the notice Board.
- 09/10/134 BANK RECONCILIATION**  
Members received and approved the Bank Reconciliation statement to 29<sup>th</sup> September 2009.
- 09/10/135 BUDGET MONITORING**  
Members received and approved the budget monitoring estimates to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010.
- 09/10/136 MONTHLY RISK ASSESSMENT**
- It was reported that there were potholes in the road and the surface at the entrance to the farm on Finkell St was in poor condition. Clerk to report to highways.
  - The members were informed that workmen had been seen removing the wooden fence at the former detention centre. Noted
  - It was reported that the hedge at the detention centre was in need of cutting as the visibility at the junction was impaired. Clerk to report again to Miller Homes.
- 09/10/137 CEMETERY**
- The members discussed an interment of ashes and memorial application. Both were approved subject to the Clerk receiving further information.
- 09/10/138 PLAYING FIELDS**
- i. The Clerk read out a list of duties undertaken by the handyman.
  - ii. The following observations were discussed:
    - Fires have been lit in street litterbins
    - Leys Lane/West Wells litterbin is being used for fruit disposal. This makes the liner too heavy to lift.
    - The village hall wheelie bins are being used to dispose of leaves.
    - The bus shelters are being used for miscellaneous advertisements.
    - Fly tipping is still evident on Woods Lane.
- The Clerk was requested to draft a notice to put in the Beacon Magazine advising residents that all of the above is not acceptable practice.
- 09/10/139 FORMER DETENTION CENTRE SITE**  
Councillor Hargreaves had investigated the planning consent for the detention centre site which states that there is provision for woodland and pinfold at the Northern end. Councillor Hargreaves had received an update from Miller Homes in which they ask the Parish Council to support their application for Kickstart Housing Delivery (KHD) Funding. Clerk to write letter of support.
- 09/10/140 NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**  
Deferred to next meeting.
- 09/10/141 TO DISCUSS BASSETLAW DISTRICT COUNCIL'S DRAFT STRATEGIC HOUSING LAND AVAILABILITY ASSESSMENT**  
The members discussed the above document which had been previously circulated. Land additional to that shown on the map was thought to have been included in the original Bassetlaw Plan. Clerk to inform Bassetlaw District Council.

- 09/10/142 PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD**  
*The formal meeting was suspended for the duration of the public discussion.*  
 A resident informed the meeting that he had applied to Bassetlaw District Council to fell a diseased chestnut tree. Noted
- 09/10/143 BROADBAND AVAILABILITY**  
 The Clerk had circulated a response from "Three" which indicated that they had intentions to improve coverage of Gringley in 2010. Noted
- 09/10/144 HIGHWAYS**  
 The following matters were raised:
- The globe of the streetlight opposite the church is discoloured and is partially covered by an adjacent tree. Clerk to report.
  - There is a pothole on Little Lane adjacent to Jasmine Cottage. Clerk to report.
- 09/10/145 PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP**
- The Clerk advised that he met the Nottinghamshire County Council Footpaths Officer on 22 September. There was an intention to replace the styles on FP's 10 & 12 with kissing gates subject to the approval of the landowners. The members agreed to a proposal to remove the style at the start of FP 10 at the Pitt Lane end. The Clerk was awaiting a formal report from Nottinghamshire County Council.
  - The meeting was informed that the P3 grant had been received in the sum of £668.96. Hrey
- 09/10/146 GRINGLEY WHARF**
- Councillor Foreman stated that he had requested Middlebridge Construction to drop off some stone to redress the footpath.
- 09/10/147 TO DISCUSS THE PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION 2010**  
 The members discussed the timescale for advertising the election in May 2010 to encourage new Councillors. It was agreed to place an article in the Beacon in January 2010.
- 09/10/148 CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION**
- Letter requesting addition to Grass Cutting Tender List. Noted
  - Letter from Bassetlaw District Council re street nameplate maintenance. The Chairman, Councillor Hargreaves and the Clerk had attended a meeting with Bassetlaw District Council where the officer outlined Bassetlaw District Council's plan to improve the street name signs in the district. Councillors Dunkley and Hargreaves had undertook to complete a survey of signs in the village to pass to Bassetlaw District Council.
  - Invitation for Chairman to visit Hill House School Auckley. Noted
  - Letter of thanks from St Peter's School. Noted
- 09/10/149 CORRESPONDENCE ARRIVING AFTER THE AGENDA PRINTED**
- Questionnaire about the mobile contact point. Completed. Clerk to return to County Contact.
  - Letter from Star Energy re their Community Fund. Clerk to apply for grant towards play equipment resurfacing.
- 09/10/150 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS FOR INFORMATION ONLY.**  
 Nothing to Report
- 09/10/151 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**
- Neighbourhood Watch

- Quality Parish Council Status Renewal 2010.

09/10/152

**PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED WHEN THE AGENDA WAS PRINTED**

23/09/00024 – The Green, Lancaster Rd – Change of use from residential to Civil Marriages and Partnerships venue. - Resolved, no objection

09/10/153

**PLANNING DETERMINATIONS RECEIVED**

23/09/00015 - St Peter & St Paul's Church – Replacement of Heating Oil Storage Tank - Refused

23/09/00006 – Land To North of The Homestead, Horsewells St – Barn conversion to form new dwelling. Granted with conditions.

23/09/00007/L – Land To North of The Homestead, Horsewells St – Listed Building Consent - Barn conversion to form new dwelling. Granted with conditions.

09/10/154

**PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE AGENDA WAS PRINTED**

23/09/00025 - Land adjacent former Sherwood Lodge – Erection of Positive Learning Centre. Resolved, no objection in principle to building but object to external wood cladding.

23/09/00023 – Rose Bank, Low Street – Erect replacement dwelling and detached garage. Resolved, no objection. (note: original dwelling remains)

*In accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission To Meetings) Act 1960 and the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it was advisable in the wider public interest that the public and press be excluded, and it was resolved that they be requested to withdraw.*

09/10/155

**TO DISCUSS CORRESPONDENCE FROM VILLAGE RESIDENTS**

The members discussed recent correspondence from residents and it was resolved that due to lack of detail the Parish Council could not respond to the matter. The Clerk to advise.

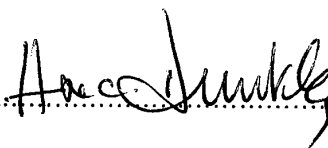
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**TO DISCUSS THE CLERKS COMPLETION OF CILCA EXAMINATION AND 2009-10 NALC SALARY AWARDS.**

The members were informed that the Clerk had passed 24 out of 25 modules of the Cilca examination and intended to re-take the final module. The Clerk distributed a summary of salary payments made since being engaged to post, demonstrating that payment had been made in accordance with NALC salary scales. Noted and agreed.

The meeting closed at 9:45pm

Signed:.....



.....Dated.

25th November 2009