

PAPPLEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the meeting held at
Papplewick Village Hall, Linby Lane, Papplewick
Wednesday 8th July 2009**

Present:

Cllr Mrs S Roberts (*vice chairman*)

Cllr Mr D McCracken

Cllr Mrs G McCracken

Cllr Mrs J Robinson

Cllr Mr C Womble

Clerk Kay Mackenzie

Parishioners: Mr R Hull, Mrs M Kerr, PCSO Chris Shaw + 2 parishioners

OPEN FORUM

The meeting commenced at 7.15pm.

Mrs Kerr mentioned an article in last evenings Post concerning whether the boundaries of the green belt should be changed. Cllr. Womble advised that it was probably the same information which has been received by the parish council from GBC entitled Core Strategy. It was thought that it appeared to be the same as before apart from possible development in Redhill where a manufacturer wishes to relocate to Ravenshead which will free the Redhill site for development. The Core Strategy seems to increase the housing numbers with no more land allocation. Cllr. Roberts commented on new housing developments having little outdoor space for children and families in terms of the size of gardens. Mrs Kerr commented on the report not being in a form that was understandable but wished to know if GBC plan to shift the greenbelt in Papplewick.

Mr Griffiths reported about waste lorries coming from Hucknall tip through Papplewick and exceeding the speed limit, particularly at weekends. Mr Griffiths mentioned the broken bank on Forest Lane where mud had been pouring onto the road. Cllr. Robinson advised that Severn Trent Water were responsible for this. Mr Griffiths advised that the footpath south of Forest Lane along Mansfield Road was overgrown with gorse, and that the Stanker Hill footpath was overgrown with nettles and the path through Seven Mile Wood was overgrown with brambles. Clerk advised that she would contact SP Rose and find out when the work along Stanker Hill corridor and Church Lane would be carried out and also if Mr Rose was able to cut back the brambles and at what cost. Cllr. Womble advised that this was not currently part of the P3 Scheme and could not be applied for now until 2010. Mr Griffiths also advised that the signs at the top of Forest Lane/A60 junction were all still broken. Clerk advised that this would be reported again. Mr Griffiths reported that the razor wire around Papplewick Dam fishing pond had been removed at ground level by the fishing club but still remained at an anti social level which he felt was an accident waiting to happen.

COUNCIL MEETING

Minute
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Action

64/09

APOLOGIES

Cllr Zinn

65/09

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Womble - NCC matters

Cllr Robinson - Newsletter and Play Day poster printer

Cllr Roberts - Cricket Club

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 13th May 2009 were accepted as a true record of the meeting. Proposed by Cllr. Womble and seconded by Cllr. Robinson and signed by the Vice Chairman.

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MATTERS ARISING

a) Clerk had previously written to Highways with regard to issues raised at both the March meeting, minute ref 25/09 and in Open Forum, and the April meeting minute ref 40/09 and Open Forum. Following receipt of the reply letters it had been recommended that Clerk follow up the issue of HGV weight restriction penalties for Moor Rd/Forest Lane junction with the local MP. Clerk had undertaken this and received a 'cc' of the letter sent to Mr J Fitzpatrick MP at the Dept. of Transport. PCSO Chris Shaw advised that the Police were undertaking a HGV stop on random exercise, with a Special from Arnold assisting with a speed gun. Care had to be taken when stopping HGV's so as not to cause traffic jams though.

b) Clerk advised that she had signed the maintenance agreement for the new bench sited on Hall Lane island and had written a letter of thanks to the BBC initiative of NCC as per item 56/09 of the last minutes. It was noted on 22nd June that the new bench was in situ on the island. Clerk is currently pursuing the erection of the fencing and 'no waiting' signs to be installed by Moorwood Joinery, however a decision needs to be made at today's meeting of the parish council to decide the distance from the road the fence should be erected. The parish council agreed that the fencing should be erected at the edge of the island on the Hall Lane side but 600mm back from the highway on the Main Street side. Discussions also took place about producing some A5 leaflets to put on car windscreens to deter future parking and erecting finger posts to direct parking to the lay-bys and signposting the village.

Clerk to arrange
fencing and signs
with Ashley
Maddock

c) Cllr. Womble advised that despite requesting information

regarding the planting of the tree on Hall Lane island he had not as yet received anything. It was agreed that if nothing was heard before the next Newsletter in September then a request for information would be published.

Cllr. Robinson to put an article requesting information about the tree planting in the next newsletter

d) Clerk advised that she had ordered the Charles Arnold-Barker book as per item 55/09 f of the last minutes, from the SLCC website which had arrived on 30th June at a cost of £55.60.

e) Clerk advised that she had reported all issues raised at the last meeting under 'Highways' item 60/09 of the general meeting and of the AGM to either GBC or Highways. The HGV weight restriction sign had been dug up and repositioned on 4th June. The issues with signs had been reported twice to GBC. As yet no reply had been received from NCC Highways.

f) Clerk advised that she had contacted Mr Smart at Papplewick Pumping Station with regard to the issue of parking raised at the last meeting under point 60/09 item c. Cllr Womble was looking into the matter.

g) Margaret Kerr advised that she had asked Lee Scudder to undertake crown lifting the tree on Hall Lane island before Bonfire Night and he had agreed.

h) All Cllrs. agreed that using the online planning application process was working and they were happy with it so far.

i) Cllr. Robinson reported that she had been cutting down house builder signs.

j) Cllr. Robinson reported that Linby Parish Council were still interested in pursuing a joint newsletter with a page each for parish council business.

k) Cllr. Roberts read through the minutes of the AGM held in May. They were proposed by Cllr. Womble and seconded by Cllr. Robinson and signed by Cllr. Roberts as a true record of the meeting.

68/09 *CORRESPONDENCE*

The following correspondence had been received and circulated as appropriate:

- 1) GBC Standards Committee minutes 28/5/09
- 2) GBC Cabinet minutes 28/5/09
- 3) GBC posters of notice of poll and persons nominated
- 4) Clerks & Councils Direct issue 13
- 5) Rural Voice issue 8
- 6) NCC Planning & Landscape Briefing May 09
- 7) GBC Planning Committee minutes 20/5/09
- 8) GBC Environment & Licensing Committee minutes 19/5/09
- 9) GBC AGM 13/5/09
- 10) Welcome Notts Fire & Rescue service booklet

- 11) Letter P Tipping MP re weight restriction penalty
- 12) Letter Mr Mrs Stretton re Papplewick Lodge car park access
- 13) Yorkshire Bank statement May 09
- 14) Letter BBC workshop on 16th June 09
- 15) Letter I Website Ltd.
- 16) NCC Travel & Transport Briefing May issue
- 17) CPRE Fieldwork June 09
- 18) Glasdon Products leaflet
- 19) GBC Planning Application for 12 Main St ref 2009/0491
- 20) Email from Eve Griffiths re incident at Leen Bridge
- 21) GBC Parish Aid meeting letter 22/7/09
- 22) Lambley Village Hall posters
- 23) NCC Planning & Landscape Briefing June 09
- 24) GBC Greater Nottm. Core Strategies: Issues and Options - Consultation Report
- 25) GBC Personnel & Resources minutes 29/6/09
- 26) NCC Seasonal Decorations letter and application form
- 27) GBC Planning Application 2009/0539 No 1 Forest Lane
- 28) GBC Planning Committee minutes 20/5/09 Agenda 1/7/09
- 29) LCR magazine summer 2009
- 30) SLCC 35th national conference 2009
- 31) GBC Performance Review Scrutiny Committee minutes 16/3/09
Agenda 6/7/09
- 32) NCC Highways letter re proposed traffic calming A60
- 33) The Clerk (SLCC) magazine July 09
- 34) GBC letter re Greater Nottm Aligned Core Strategy
- 35) GBC Cabinet minutes 28/5/09 Agenda 9/7/09
- 36) NCC letter re Bus User Group
- 37) Playsafety Ltd. Rospa report and invoice
- 38) CPRE subscription letter - it was agreed to subscribe to 2009 and review again in 2010
- 39) NCC Travel & Transport Briefing
- 40) EMDA News
- 41) CPRE core strategy letter
- 42) Clerks & Councils Direct
- 43) Wildlife Trust letter
- 44) EMRA letter regional development strategy

69/09 **ACCOUNTS**

Clerk reported that the accounts had been made available for inspection on 9th and 10th June. They had been sent to the external auditors thereafter.

Clerk also reported that a bacs remittance advice had been received for the 5% remaining BLF grant for the playing field. GBC had asked what the Parish Council planned to use the money for in relation to improvements for the playing field. The parish council agreed that reserve monies had been used to pay the Playdale invoices and as such the 5% hold back monies would reimburse the account.

Clerk to advise Andy Whilde that 5% hold back money was to reimburse reserves

a) Parish Council Income

Date	£	Payer/Details
29/4/09	3005.50	GBC Precept 50% 2009/10
29/4/09	2101.50	GBC Revenue Grant 50% 2009/10
11/5/09	65.21	GBC Capital Grant portable hard drive
08/6/09	1207.20	GBC Capital Grant

29/6/09 1092.00 GBC Big Lottery Fund 5% hold back grant

ai) Parish Council Expenditure

Date	Chq No	£	Payee/Details
13/5/09	623	18.69	GBC grass cutting playing field
-	624	cancelled	
13/5/09	625	340.08	Clerk wages April 09
13/5/09	626	13.50	NALC membership
13/5/09	627	39.28	Petty Cash imprest
13/5/09	628	114.60	Barrie Woodcock internal audit
02/6/09	629	17.00	Village Hall room hire Jan+Mar
02/6/09	630	7.50	RCAN Rural Voice subs
02/6/09	631	38.53	GBC grass cutting playing field
09/6/09	632	62.96	Ordnance Survey
09/6/09	633	1609.87	Allianz renewal
09/6/09	634	31.40	R Hull strimmer parts reimbursement

aii) Unpresented Chqs

Chq No	£	Payee/Details
635	19.26	GBC grass cutting
636	162.21	Wicksteed Leisure
637	680.16	Clerk wages (May & June)
638	76.18	Sherwood Office Supplies (newsletter)
639	55.60	SLCC Local Council Administration

b) Moor Pond Wood Income: £ nil Expenditure: £ nil

70/09 **CLERK'S HOURS**

It had been agreed at the April meeting to extend the working hours of the Clerk from 5 to 8 per week. It was also agreed to review these hours at the July meeting. The parish council agreed to maintain the Clerk's hours at 8 per week and to review the budget in October at the Finance Committee meeting.

Review Clerk's hours at October Finance Committee

71/09 **PLANNING**

The following planning applications had been received since the previous meeting:

a) 2009/0384 Papplewick Lodge, Main Street. Following receipt and return of the aforementioned planning application, further correspondence was received from Mr Mrs Stretton with regard to access arrangements for the Tea Room car park. The Parish Council has written back to Mr Stretton expressing no real objections but advising that due consideration should be given to underlying services and right of way for 'on foot' pedestrians.

b) 2009/0491 12 Main Street revision of plans to erect replacement garage. No objections raised by Parish Council, and plans returned by Clerk.

c) 2009/0539 1 Forest Lane to erect a single storey rear extension and front porch. No objections raised by Parish Council and the plans returned by Clerk.

72/09 *PLAYING FIELD*

a) General - 'No Dogs' signs - Margaret Kerr advised that she had some signs which the parish council could use on the park. Clerk agreed to pick these up.

Clerk to collect 'no dogs' signs from Margaret Kerr

ai) General - workday - Cllr. Robinson asked for support in clearing the hard standing of weeds and maintaining the park prior to the Play Day. It was agreed to clear the weeds on Saturday 11th July at 10.00am, then to meet at 8.00pm on Tuesday 21st to check the field and park and to meet finally at 9.00am to set up for the Play Day.

Saturday 11th July at 10.00am
Tuesday 21st at 8.00pm
Wednesday 22nd at 9.00am

aii) General - vandalism/litter - Mr Hull and Cllr. Roberts confirmed that three of the culprits who had recently vandalised the play equipment had been identified and the PPC would like to pursue criminal damage with the Police. Mr Hull had been in contact with the Police, Holgate School, National School, Schools Liaison Officer and the Police Licensing Officer concerning all the recent bouts of vandalism, drinking and litter. It has been suggested to Mr Hull by Holgate School that some pupil work days could be arranged. Mr Hull advised that the PPC would need to acquire a proper graffiti cleaner and the Clerk agreed to look into this. Holgate School also advised that on the last day of term, Friday 18th July, someone from the school would come down to the playing field. Mr Hull also reported the various issues that had been occurring on the playing field including, under-age drinking, litter comprising of beer cans, the bark being stripped off of a tree which will now probably die, the springy fire engine being broken and hauled on top of the climbing frame. Mr Hull had organised the replacement of the latter's parts and fixed this himself. This damage had cost the parish council over £160. Mr Hull confirmed that as yet the press had not been contacted but this remains a consideration for the future should this behaviour continue. Mr Hull pointed out that all incidents should be reported to the Oxclose Lane Control Room in order to create an incident number with the Police.

Clerk to look into and acquire some graffiti cleaner.

PCSO Chris Shaw was able to advise that an additional PCSO was to start primarily for Bestwood Village but this would include Moor Road. PCSO Shaw also advised that a new officer was due to start on Monday and will be based at Ravenshead. PCSO Shaw requested that all incidents be reported to the Control Room in order to create an incident number, otherwise local contact numbers and email could be used for routine matters. PCSO Shaw advised that he would be attending the Play Day.

b) Inspection Duty Book handed from Cllr. Womble to Cllr. Zinn.

Cllr. Womble reported that he had received the Playsafety Rospa report which detailed very similar points as the previous years. It highlighted the fencing and gate as of medium risk, that the cabin slide needed a timber replacing and was also of medium risk, and the swings have 40% wear on the chains and need repainting but this was of a low risk.

c) Play Day - update - Mr Hull advised that Andy Whilde (GBC) has to do a report for the BLF on the Play Day. Mr Hull also advised of the events and attendees planned for the day, which is to include den building, BMX team, climbing wall, space hoppers, road safety team, crazy fox golf, Early Years Libraries Dept., NHS Trust, Police and Gedling Play Forum. Mr Hull also intended to secure an ice cream van and had extended invitations to the Fire Service and Ambulance Service. The Village Hall toilets, kitchen and car park were all booked and banners were to be erected. Cllr. Roberts extended a vote of thanks for all Mr Hull's hard work.

- posters - Cllr. Robinson had organised the printing and distribution of the posters and flyers as per the newsletter delivery and with the addition of local and surrounding schools, shops, pub and nurseries.

- refreshment purchase of squash and plastic cups by the Clerk

- invite letters are being sent to Cllr. P Andrews, Cllr. J Lonergan, Cllr. C Barnfather and the Lady Mayoress of Gedling.

- a letter is being sent to Allianz Insurance with regard to public liability for the event.

73/09 HIGHWAY MATTERS

a) Mrs Kerr raised the issue of the proposed island at the junction of Moor Road and Papplewick Lane. Mrs Kerr mentioned that this issue had also been investigated through the FoMPW, being advised that it should be a smaller one. However, it was felt that the Clerk should write to Highways to raise the question.

Clerk to write to Highways with regard to the size of the proposed island at the bottom of Papplewick Lane at the junction with Moor Rd.

b) Cllr. Roberts raised the matter of the recent communication from NCC Highways about the proposed speed limit from Forest Lane junction of the A60 as far as the northern limit of housing on Mansfield Road. Overall it was agreed by the parish council that the Clerk should respond stating that the parish council saw no justification as speeding was not an issue and the money could be better spent either with a dedicated cycle route along the A60 through Papplewick and improvements to the Forest Lane junction with the installation of lighting and road markings as this was a recognised congestion zone and accident spot.

Clerk to write to Jeff Burton at Highways in response to A60 speed limit proposal.

c) Cllr. G McCracken reported that the holly had been cut back at the bottom of Papplewick Lane.

d) It was reported that the hedgerow at the bottom of Forest Lane where it changes from a 60mph to a 30mph zone had been

smashed into. The fencing had been replaced but the hedgerow had not yet been sorted out.

e) Cllr. G McCracken advised that Moor Road still had a speeding problem which she felt speed checks should be undertaken. Cllr. Roberts requested that Highways be invited along to the next meeting.

Clerk to write and invite Highways to the next PPC mtg.

74/09 *REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS*

a) Village Hall

Mr Griffiths reported that the bar was really successful and was popular amongst people with a real change in atmosphere.

b) Julian Cahn Trust

Cllr. Roberts reported that there was no change at present with all occupants still happy.

c) Association of Gedling Parish Councils

Cllr Zinn had reported when he extended his apologies that he hadn't heard anything recently concerning future meetings of the association.

75/09 *COUNCILLORS REPORTS*

a) Moor Pond Wood Steering committee

Cllr. D McCracken advised that he would not be attending the next meeting as it coincided with the next PPC meeting.

Cllr. D McCracken reported that photographs of a relief model (water mills of Papplewick) under construction by Robin Barton were shown at the meeting. Based on OS maps dated 1881 the model will include St James' Church at it's northerly end, the site of the former Papplewick Grange to the south and the River Leen flowing from north to south. Built on a 50mm thick base with hardwood frame and toughened glass cover it has been designed for either wall or floor mounting. The model is due to be shown at the 30th September AGM for approval before final assembly. The Village Hall Committee will be approached about locating the model within the building.

Cllr. D McCracken reported that a grant had been applied for from Notts. Community Foundation to support the costs incurred by the student updating the FoMPW website.

Cllr. D McCracken also reported that a digital survey had been undertaken on Dam Banks. The grant applied for from Breathing Spaces earlier in the year had not been successful and the moth watch and survey had been postponed.

b) Parish Paths Partnership

Cllr. Womble reported that he had requested a replacement parish map from RoW Dept at NCC for noticeboard at the bottom of

Church Lane, as highlighted by Mr Stretton of Papplewick Lodge in his recent letter.

Cllr. Womble advised that he had sorted the tree in Seven Mile Wood which had been reported at the last meeting by Mr Griffiths as having come down across the path.

Cllr. Womble reported that he had undertaken the strimming work on the Meadows path and along the Walter's Hill paths.

c) Any other business

Cllr. Robinson reported that the next newsletter would be going out in September.

Cllr. Robinson reported that the Enterprise Group had raised £681 through the Open Gardens day.

Cllr. Roberts reported that she had been informed by a Linby parishioner that Linby PC had applied for a grant to erect a statue.

Cllr. Roberts extended her apologies for the next meeting in September as it coincides with the Gedling Sports Forum meeting of which she is the Chairperson.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING

**Wednesday 9th September 2009 at 7.15pm
at the Village Hall**

The meeting ended at 10.27pm

Signed Chairman Vice Chairman