

## Greatham Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 25<sup>th</sup>. September, 2017

Members present: Councillors Simmonds, Walker, Cameron, Walker, Richardson, O'Brien.

Visitors: J.Unwin, M.Unwin, PCSO Jones, B.Loynes (HBC ward coun.), Mr. & Mrs. Collinson.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Coun. Lamb.
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None.
3. **Planning Applications:** H/2017/0480 Remove and replace garage/door/canopy at 16, West Row, Greatham. TS25 2HW. The council regrets the loss of off road parking but has no objections to the application.
4. **To confirm the minutes of the previous meeting:** they were accepted as a true record.  
Proposed: Coun. Walker                      Seconded: Coun. Simmonds                      Unanimous
5. **Matters arising from those minutes:**
  - 5.1 Rural Plan: is still with HBC who will be arranging the referendum in late autumn.
  - 5.2 Dog fouling: there are still nos signs painted on pavements in the relevant areas. Four notices have now been removed from display in the cemetery!
  - 5.3 Promoting the village: the saga with HBC continues but should hopefully be resolved oshortly.
  - 5.4 A689/Dalton Back Lane junction: a sign has now been placed though not what was requested. HBC's aim seems to be to close the junction but this needs to be challenged as it is a vital bus route for the village.
  - 5.5 Designation of Parish assets: ongoing.    5.6 Traffic issues in West Row: ongoing.
  - 5.7 Flytipping: no new incidents.    5.8 Parking/Speeding in Greatham: the acting head at the primary school would be contacted as this area is a constant problem.
  - 5.9 Landscaping at Queens Meadow: ongoing.
  - 5.10 Paths/Trees in South Fens area: ongoing via Coun. Loynes.
6. **New Agenda items:**
  - 6.1 Transparency Fund application: would be made for minor costs.
  - 6.2 Hill View path and open space maintenance: grass cutting is very poor, edge trimming almost non existant and rarely are cuttings removed.
  - 6.3 Greatham Beck pollution at Newark Rd. pumping station: it has been logged even the event is a bit of a mystery. (Ref: 1554973).
  - 6.4 Stockton BC respite care consultation: they are consulting with those who needs such Care prior to drawing up new procedures. All are invited to contribute.
  - 6.5 Hot food outlet in Greatham: though HBC prefer no further fast food outlets across the Borough, they are minded to allow one in Greatham under special circumstances in That the village has, currently, none at all.
7. **Accounts:** transactions and balances were accepted as correct.  
Proposed: Coun. Walker                      Seconded: Coun. Simmonds                      Unanimous
8. **Correspondence:** (i) Barclays statements (ii) BDO (audit) (iii) Hardwick in Partnership

(iv) Peter Nixon/HBC(bus stops) (v) Peter Frost/HBC(perch seat) (vi) HBC Planning (see 3 above)

**9.Reports:** 9.1 Greatham in Bloom: it was celebrations all round. The parish won a gold medal as did the Hospital of God for their grounds and Shannon Court.

9.2 Power Station: no meeting.

9.3 Community Centre: is currently closed for toilet upgrades.

9.4 Conservation Advisory Committee: the scheduled meeting was cancelled.

**10. Repairs and Maintenance:** 1.Potholes at Bank Top(2018). 2.Path in The Drive between The Grove and Front St. 3.Brickwork at entrance to Mellanby Court. 4.Footpath in Parish Row. 5.Flooding outside the shop in Vicarage Row. 6.Path on the bridge over Greatham Beck. 7. Black Path tree trimming incomplete. 8.Flooding at Sports Field entrance. 9. Poor pavement condition outside housing bordering the green. 10.Tree between the sculpture and 17 Front St. needs trimming. 11.Pavement in Saltaire Terr. 12.Potholes in Old Stockton Rd.near the junction with the A689. 13.Pothole at junction of Parish Row/West Row. 14. Ponding on the village green. 15.Flooding in Station Rd. before Saltaire Terr. 16.Flooding at Sappers Corner. 17.Path in Aldeburgh Terr.

**11. Public issues:** Coun. Lamb has written to stress the plight of the Post Office in the village. He could not foresee it remaining open if custom continued as it is. The council would write to Hospital of God urging a positive solution for all to allow the amenity to stay open.

**12. Date of the next meeting:** will be Monday, 6<sup>th</sup>. November,2017 at 6.30p.m. in the Community Centre.

**The meeting closed at 8p.m**

**Greatham Parish Council – Financial statement as at 31.10.17**

Community Account balance as at 31.08.17: £4345.01

Cheques issued:

479 D.Todd £20.00 (bus shelter maintenance)

480 HMRC £17.09 (clerk's tax)

481 J. Cunliffe £318.35 (salary, notebook payment)

NB Notebook payment (£249.99) is to comply with Transparency Act.

Community Account balance as at 31.10.17: £3989.57

