

Greatham Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, December 17th. 2018.

Members present: Councs: M.Ward, D.Cameron, B.Walker, C.Richardson, M.Simmonds, A.O'Brien

Visitors: M.Marshall, PCSOs I.Hislop and R.Hole, Coun.B.

1. Apologies for Absence: None.

2. Declarations of Interest: None.

3. Planning Applications: H/2018/0424 Garden Room/Juliet Balcony at 67 Mildenhall Close, Hartlepool. TS252RW. The council would oppose the application on the grounds it would impinge on the privacy of those it overlooked.

H/2018/0429 Two storey extension at 14 Barford Close, Hartlepool. TS252RQ. No comments.

H/2018/0464 Cherry Tree removal at 14/16 Greensides, Greatham. TS252HQ. No objections but the council would ask if the replacement could be planted away from the site of the Cherry Tree.

4. To confirm the minutes of the previous meeting: items 5.3 and 5.4 were omitted. They are entered here: 5.3 Traffic in the village (ongoing) and 5.4 Paths and Trees in the parish (ongoing). The minutes were then accepted as a true record of the meeting.

Proposed: Coun.Walker Seconded: Coun.Simmonds Unanimous.

5. Matters arising from those minutes: 5.1 Rural Plan: the plan now goes to HBC "to be made". 5.2 Dog Fouling: ongoing. 5.3 Traffic in the Village : ongoing. 5.4 Paths.Trees, Signage in the parish: ongoing but letters would be written to Len Young and Peter Nixon (both HBC). A budget of some £600 would be kept for the proposed signs. 5.5 South Fens: ongoing with the Boundary Commission having made their proposals. 5.6 Village Green Fencing: details are imminent and it is hoped work will start soon. 5.7 Bus stop/Shelter in the village: the consultation has been completed and the plans for two raised "pavements"(one at each site) have been sent to the parish council.

6. New Agenda items: 6.1 Risk Agenda review: the new proposals were discussed and adopted. 6.2 Precept: It was proposed that it be increased by .5%. It will now be £4608/year. Proposed: Coun.Walker Seconded: Coun.Simmonds 3-2 1 Abstention.

6.3 Drug litter collection: Coun. Cameron reported from the Governance Comm. that HBC would collect any detritus found and reported to them be residents.

7. Accounts: transactions and balances were presented and accepted as correct.

8. Correspondence: 8.1 Bank statements 8.2 P.Nixon (HBC) 8.3 HBC(Planning x 3)

9. Reports: 9.1 Greatham in Bloom: winter planting ongoing.

9.2 Power Station: attempts are still being made to extend the life of the station.

9.3 Community Centre: no further news.

9.4 Conservation Advisory Committee: studies are being made of Greatham's Conservation area in the hope it can be updated.

9.5 Governance/Auditing Committee: topic this month was the reduction of teenage pregnancies in the borough.

10. Repairs and Maintenance: 1.Path in The Drive between The Grove and Front St., 2.Brickwork at Mellanby Lane entrance, 3.Footpath in Parish Row. 4. Flooding in Egerton Terr. at the shop. 5.Path on the bridge over Greatham Beck. 6.Flooding at the sports field entrance. 7.Pavement at The Green only partially repaired. 8.Pavement in Saltaire Terr. 9.Potholes in Old Stockton Rd. 10.Flooding on Station Rd. prior to Saltaire Terr. 11. Severe flooding on Greatham slip road at Sappers Corner. 12.Potholes in Mildenhall Close. 13.Trees still need pruning on the Black Path. 14.More potholes on Parish Row. 15.Tarmac on A689 breaking already! 16. Village Green behind the Community Centre needs re-seeding. 17. As do areas of the Black Path. 18.

11. Public issues: the light is still out at the far end of West Row and there is no sign of the "No through Road" sign at its entrance! A question was raised about proposed double yellow lines in Egerton Terrace. Concerns were expressed that it appeared there was very poor water pressure at a fire incident in the village recently.

12. Date of the next meeting:

Monday, 28th. January, 2019 at 6.30pm in the Community Centre.

The meeting closed at 7.35p.m.

Financial statement as at 31.12.18

Community Account balance as at 30.11.18: £3910.21

Cheques issued:

519 HMRC £17.09 (clerk's tax)

520 J Cunliffe £141.80 (clerk's salary,£68.36 and expenses,£73.44)

Bonus Saver Account balance as 31.12.18: £680.13