

Girton Parish Council

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Minutes of the Meeting of Girton Parish Council held on Wednesday 15th August, 2012 at St Vincent's Close Community Centre, Girton, at 7.30 p.m.

Members of the parish were invited to attend this meeting and to speak at Item 12/95.1

Present: Cllrs: Cockley (Vice-Chair), Clift, Garner, Godby, Gordon, Martin, Noble, Simpson, Williams

Cllrs: J Reynolds (CCC), T Bygott (SCDC) (until item 12/96)

PCSO B Mani and PCSO T Baugh (from item 12/94 until item 12/96)

In Attendance: S Cumming (Clerk), N Stone (RFO)

12/92 Welcome from the Vice-Chair The Vice-Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

12/93 Apologies and reasons for absence Apologies had been received from Cllrs de Lacey, Bromwich, Hiley, Taylor, Thorrold and Westley and the Vice-Chair accepted their reasons for absence.

12/94 Members' declarations of interest for items on the agenda. None.

12/95 Public Participation session on agenda items & matters of mutual interest:

1. Members of the Public. There were no members of the public at the meeting.

2. County Councillor's Report (*Appendix A*). Cllr Reynolds spoke about the Joint Development Control Committee Meeting about the NW Cambridge Development, as which he had spoken as well as Cllrs de Lacey and Bygott. The planning application was approved unanimously, but there are many details to be sorted out, including transport and education issues.

Regarding the Girton flooding, Cllr Reynolds reiterated that all agencies are involved and working for a satisfactory outcome. A meeting between the agencies will be held in September when a range of options will be discussed. The Environment Agency had circulated a Briefing Paper, and Cllr Reynolds agreed to forward a copy of this to the Council (*Appendix B*)

3. District Councillors' Reports (*Appendix C*). Cllr Bygott spoke about the Girton flood, and suggested that CIL funding, which allows contributions from developers to be pooled, could perhaps make a contribution towards the cost of future flood prevention measures. Regarding the NW Cambridge Development Planning Approval, Cllr Bygott spoke of the access to community and sporting sites offered, and the proposed cycle route. He was also questioned about the changes in SCDC sheltered housing wardens' duties, and agreed to look in to this.

4. Police Report (E-Cops) (*Appendix D*). PCSO Mani highlighted seven incidents which had occurred in Girton over the past month, as outlined in his report, and noted that there has been an increase in burglaries across South Cambridgeshire over the summer.

Cllr Reynolds, Cllr Bygott, PCSO Mani and PCSO Baugh left the meeting at this point.

12/96 To confirm the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Wednesday 18th July, 2012 The Minutes were proposed as a true record by Cllr Godby, seconded by Cllr Noble, approved with one abstention and signed by the Vice-Chair.

12/97 Matters arising from the Minutes (for information only)

12/82 Further information from South Cambridgeshire District Council has been circulated to councillors.

12/85.1 Cllr de Lacey has written to Mr Lansley. A copy of this letter to be circulated to councillors.

12/86.1b,2,4 and 7. The Clerk has put these in hand.

12/98 Business items requiring a decision, or consideration by the Council

1. To purchase a Parish Council notice-board at a cost of £1806.22 plus VAT, to be positioned at Wellbrook Way, Girton, from monies received under Section 106 agreements (*Appendix E*), and to approve funding for the fixing of same (details to be circulated).

Proposed by Cllr Gordon, seconded by Cllr Godby. Having received quotations for similar notice-boards, the notice-board would be of the same design as the others in the village, and would be placed by fence at

the mound and lagoon, having discussed this site with Wellbrook Way Residents Association. Agreed unanimously.

12/99 Finance and Resource Management

1. To approve payments for the previous month.

Proposed by Cllr Garner, seconded by Cllr Godby and approved unanimously. The Sports and Recreation Committee will discuss with the Groundsman the need for a credit note for works undertaken by contractors at the Recreation Ground. Supplementary cutlery has been purchased for the Pavilion kitchen, as cutlery has gone missing over the dozen years since the Pavilion was built.

2. To approve the balance sheet (*Appendix F*)

Proposed by Cllr Garner, seconded by Cllr Martin and approved with one abstention.

3. To receive the Finance Report from 1st April 2012 to date (*Appendix G*)

Received by the Council.

12/100 Correspondence (to be received)

1. 21 July 2012: Minutes of Wellbrook Way Residents Association Meeting.

2. 24 July 2012 Correspondence regarding appointment of external auditor.

3. 24 July 2012: Over Day Centre Association Open Day invitation.

4. 24 July 2012: Letter regarding Section 106 agreement at Wellbrook Way.

5. 4 Aug 2012: Correspondence about works on the stream at Wellbrook Way.

The correspondence was received by the Council.

12/101 To receive reports

1. Chairman's Report. The Chairman has nothing specific to report this month.

2. Girton Town Charity. Nothing to report this month.

3. Girton Youth Project. The GYP are looking at the possibility of a skate-park in the village.

4. Footpaths. Footpath 4 is becoming overgrown, and householders bordering the footpath may be requested to check that their hedges are kept cut back.

5. Bowling Green Committee. A request for interest in the Girton Bowls Club had been included in August's Girton Parish News and will be repeated in the September edition in an edited form.

6. Wellbrook Way Development Committee. The Minutes of the WWRA Meeting had been received in the correspondence.

12/103 Matters raised by Members (for information only)

Cllr Clift intends to go to the Over Day Centre Association Open Day (see correspondence item 12/100.3) and will also visit Abbeyfield, with a view to producing a report on facilities and activities for the over-55s, for the September meeting.

Concerns were raised about the state of the disused telephone box at the junction of Girton Road and Pepys Way. BT has been contacted about this.

The meeting closed at 8.35 p.m.