

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council  
held in the Village Hall, Glebe Avenue, Orton Waterville on  
Wednesday, 17 June, 2009.

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Present: Mr M Chambers (in the chair) Mr P Froggitt Mr C Long Mr G Masters  
Mr M Rowett Mr M Smith (from 7.50pm) Mrs J Stokes Mr M Stone

Members of the Public – none Police – PCSO Amanda Butler Ward Councillors – none  
And – PCSO Carl Saunders

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Mrs J Farnham and Mrs G Thornley.
2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS –
  - Item 9 – Mr G Masters (friend of the solicitor)
  - Item 11(a) - Mr P Froggitt (allotment tenant)
  - Item 15(c) - Mr M Rowett (allotment tenant)
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3. LOCAL POLICING MATTERS – The PCSOs reported that the new number to contact the police is 0345 4564564. Their new Sergeant is Simon Goldsmith. Recently the increase in crime has been theft and damage to vehicles which included 2 officers being held at gunpoint and their police van stolen. The culprits were apprehended and there will be increased patrolling in the area. There has been an increase with gangs gathering in the recreation areas, drinking and causing a nuisance. These areas are being targeted on Friday and Saturday nights. The PCSOs were very pleased to be present at the presentation by Maureen Lazaretti on Cross Keys Homes Flag Ship Project in Riseholm. This project will provide the Youth with somewhere to go in the evenings and where the PCSOs will be able to move them to from other areas where they may be causing a nuisance. The Parish Council were interested in being involved in this project.
4. REPORTS FROM WARD COUNCILLORS – There was none.
5. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 20 May 2009 – Mr Masters proposed and Mr Froggitt seconded that the minutes be signed as a true and correct record. This was carried.
6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
  - (a) Freedom of Information Act (*minute 10a*).  
Mr Froggitt had obtained a list of possible policy documents and has undertaken to review them for their relevance to the Parish Council.
  - (b) Boundary Fences (*minute 11b*).  
Nothing further has been received from the complainant and it was agreed to leave this matter to be dealt with by Mr Smith. Mr Smith will investigate further the complaint about the allotment car park. On investigation, it appeared that the growth was coming from the other side of the boundary fence.
7. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED
  - (a) Tall Ships Youth Project – A letter was received requesting funding for this 5 day voyage which is designed to build relationships, develop confidence and life skills with young people. It was confirmed that there were at least 5 young people on this project from the parish and, therefore, Mr Smith proposed and Mr Masters seconded that £250 be granted under section 137 of the Local Government Act. This was carried
  - (b) Road Maintenance – A letter was read out from a resident complaining about the state of the roads in her area. Having consulted with the Highways Authority, the Clerk was able to report that Charles Cope Road, The Gannocks and Chapel Lane are on a List and will remain on the List for re-surfacing. Whilst these roads may be used a lot by traffic cutting through to Lady Lodge Drive, it was not true that they are used more than Cherry Orton Road. Whilst inconsiderate driving may have caused some problems, these were not sufficient to justify traffic calming measures. Road markings were not replaced because it was thought that resurfacing might have taken place this year. However, these roads did not score enough points on the points system and will, therefore, not be done this year. Consequently a request will be made to put back the road markings. Certain parts of the road have been identified as in need of patching and this will be done within 3 weeks. It must be noted that the more successful the patching is the less likely it will be for the roads to score enough points for resurfacing. These roads are not the worst in Peterborough. There are a lot of roads in need of maintenance and priority will be given to the worst.

## 8. BURIAL GROUND

A new quotation of £616.40 for water connection to the proposed cemetery was received.

A quotation of £450.00 was received from Anglia Project Safety Ltd for Construction Design and Management (CDM) co-ordinator. It was agreed not to appoint a CDM Co-ordinator until it is established that this is absolutely necessary. There was some surprise that the project would exceed the limitations on notification. Some members of Council could not imagine that the 500 person days would be approached and that the 30 day time period would be exceeded. A meeting has been arranged with the Architect and Contractors on Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June, at which the Clerk and Mr Froggitt will be present. Mr Chambers proposed and Mr Long seconded that the Clerk be authorised to make the appointment if satisfied at the meeting that the appointment is necessary. This was carried.

Mr Froggitt agreed to chase the City Council for the Discharge of Condition 4 of the Planning Consent.

**IT WAS RESOLVED that in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and by reason of the confidential nature of the next item, the Press and Public be excluded from the Meeting.**

## 9. STORAGE SHEDS

Unconditional Planning Consent was received for the demolition of the Storage Sheds. Mr Froggitt proposed and Mr Chambers seconded that a part payment of £10,000 for the demolition of the first shed be made, the remainder to be paid on the completion of the disconnection of the electricity supply. This was carried.

Regarding the second shed, a Case Report was received from the Solicitors and circulated to members. It was agreed to appoint Buckles as the Parish Council's Solicitor and to accept the recommendations contained in the report.

**IT WAS RESOLVED that the confidential business having been concluded, the Press and Public be re-admitted to the meeting.**

10. INSURANCE – The Insurance paperwork from Came & Company was received and Mr Chambers agreed to check through it.

## 11. ALLOTMENTS

- (a) Wyman Way – Peterborough Tree Services have confirmed that the tree work has been booked in for Wednesday, 24 June. This was noted.
- (b) Cherry Orton Road – These matters have been dealt with above.
- (c) Gostwick – A reply was received from the City Council to the effect that the City Council is currently undertaking a City wide review of allotment sites and, with specific regard to Gostwick, it is looking at the potential use of surplus land and open spaces surrounding the allotments. Following an inspection, it was reported that a hose pipe was draining surface water from an allotment into the shelterbelt of trees surrounding the allotments. It was agreed that, provided the hose is shifted slightly to face a different direction so that it did not run onto the adjacent footpath, there would be no problem with this arrangement. A complaint was received about one of the allotments which is heavily overgrown. This complaint is being dealt with.

## 12. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

- (a) The following payments were authorised

Orton Counselling Service for Young People (s.137 LGA)	£500.00
Anglian Water (cemetery connection charge)	£616.40
J. A. Hopper (refund of shed rent)	£140.00
Beebys Landscaping (churchyard maintenance)	£316.89
HM Revenue & Customs (Tax and NIC)	£101.10
Clerk's Salary (for June)	£395.20
Expenses (for June)	£29.84
P J Thory Ltd (part payment of demolition work)	£10,000.00

(b)	<u>Income received to date</u>	
	J Hopper – shed rent	£140.00
	Allotment rents	£84.00
	PCC – Wildlife Project grant	£225.00
	Bank Interest on Saver Plus Account	£1.55

### 13. PLANNING MATTERS

#### (a) New applications since last month

09/00498/TRE	Tree work at 39 Cherry Orton Road, Orton Waterville	No objection
09/00443/FUL	Extension at 20 Burswood, Orton Goldhay	No objection
09/00461/FUL	Extension at 17 Pembroke Avenue, Orton Waterville	No objection
08/01242/FUL	Storage container at Bushfield Sports Centre	No objection

#### (b) Decisions on previous applications

09/00240/FUL	Car Park at Village Hall, Orton Waterville	Refused*
09/00359/FUL	Extension at 44 Fallowfield, Orton Wistow	Granted
09/00353/FUL	Extension at 26 Elstone, Orton Waterville	Granted
08/01157/FUL	Roof light at 62 Chandlers – retrospective	Granted
08/01596/FUL	Trolley shelter at Co-op, 5 Ortongate	Granted
09/00144/FUL	Extension at 5 Earlswood, Orton Brimbles	Granted

\* This was refused because no information had been submitted to assess the impact of the proposed works on the trees in the shelterbelt. Consultation with Andy Turner is recommended.

#### NOTE:

09/00244/FUL - Extension at 39 Farleigh Fields – This application has been referred to Committee for reason that the applicant is a City Councillor.

14. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER MATTERS – It was reported that stones at road level near the traffic island at Five Arches had been dislodged and were causing a serious traffic problem. Cyclists have to swerve right out into oncoming traffic to avoid them.

15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS – It was reported that Mr Stone was dealing with a noise problem coming from one of the schools. There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00 pm.