

GREATHAM PARISH COUNCIL

**A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD AT GREATHAM VILLAGE HALL
MONDAY 10 APRIL 2000**

**Present: Mrs G Anderson (Chair), Mr D Redman (Vice-Chair), Mr W Budd, Mr P Gripton,
Mr B Chiverton**

(5 members of the public were present).

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mrs A Dale-Harris, Mr E Evans, Mr J West, Mrs J Onslow

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 20 MARCH 2000

2.1 The Minutes were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

3. MATTERS ARISING

3.1 Mr Gripton showed the meeting arial photographs and distributed an update on the village history project. He advised the meeting that costs were not available at the moment. PG also provided a copy of a map of village which GA will give to ADH to make comments. PG to write letter to ANOB and pay receipt.

ACTION: GA/PG

3.2 Crow Report. DR informed the meeting that he did not think it was appropriate for him to represent Greatham Parish Council as he owns considerable sections of land in the parish.

3.3 GA reported that Mrs Judy Onslow had asked to be shown in the Minutes as a District Councillor and not a member of the public when she attended the Parish Council Meetings.

3.4 GA reported that advertisements for the Clerk would be appearing in the Petersfield Post (19/4) and Herald (14/4) as well as the next edition of the Parish Magazine. GA had met the costs and would present these at the next meeting.

3.5 Neighbourhood Watch meeting. GA had spoken to Tony Carr and he had confirmed that no out of pocket expenses had been incurred.

3.6 Sheep Grazing. GA had spoken to Huguette Jenkinson and she had expressed reservations about allowing sheep to graze in the Old Churchyard. This would now not go ahead.

3.7 Greatham Mill

GA confirmed that she had not been contacted about this. AD-H will follow up on her return and advise the Council at the next meeting.

ACTION:AD-H

3.8 Duties of the Clerk

GA read out a note from AD-H expressing her view that the Council needed a temporary locum clerk as it would be too much for the Chairman to oversee this role in the interim period. GA confirmed that she was happy to continue in this role with the help of Mrs Lucas as temporary clerk. Proposed by PG, seconded by DR. Unanimous vote.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

a) ROSPA. Council had received a card reminding them that an inspection of the children's playground equipment was due. Parish Council pay for this although the

equipment is owned by the Village Hall. This was passed to Parish Hall representative who was present at the meeting.

- b) Petersfield and District Citizens Advice Bureau acknowledgement letter.
- c) Poster for Farmers Market 2000. To be forwarded to EE.
- d) Parking charges in Petersfield. To be forwarded to EE and AD-H.
- e) Countryside Design summary brochure from District Council - to be circulated to meeting.
- f) Letter of application for job of Clerk from Teresa Gitcham.
- g) Letter from District Council offering land in Bakers Field (roundabout).

5. CIRCULARS

See attached list.

6. PLANNING

6.1 2 planning applications had been received which had been through Planning Committee (F.35115/00 -retrospective single storey wooden outbuilding at 1 Hares Close & F22671/013 - single storey extension to office building at Liss Forest Nursery). No objection to either.

7. FINANCE

7.1 GA advised the meeting that the Old Church Trust leaflets were £48 (copy of leaflet to be put in circulation pack). GA to submit expenses at next meeting.

ACTION:GA

7.2 GA advised the meeting that notification had been received from District Council that first stage of precept had been paid (£6,000) into Parish Council bank account. A discussion took place about when the money promised to GLAMA by the Parish Council would be released. The meeting agreed to give GLAMA £5,000 now - vote taken by BC/DR/GA - PG and BB abstained as they are members of GLAMA. Cheque signed by GA/DR and this will be sent to GLAMA by GA with covering letter.

ACTION: GA

8. VILLAGE MAP

8.1 Covered under Matters Arising.

9. TRAFFIC CALMING

9.1 GA had spoken to Police about speed traps. They cannot guarantee if this can be undertaken. GA specifically raised weekend traffic and police agreed to incorporate this into their future planning. GA asked Committee to take note of when police speed checks are seen.

ACTION: ALL

9.2 BB advised meeting that several residents had asked him to raise their complaints about parked vans/cars outside village shop area. Owners leave the vehicles parked there and go of to work. GA advised that she had been informed in the past by the District Council that residents only parked could not be enforced. It was agreed that a letter would be written to the District Council again.

ACTION: GA

9.4 Tree Planting

GA read out a note from AD-H confirming that tree planting was now complete. AD-H to give report at public meeting. There was some discussion as to whether the report should be made under the Parish Council banner as the tree planting initiative had not been a sole Parish Council action and the money had been raised privately.

9.5 Gardeners Planting Scheme

GA advised that she had received a letter from the Gardeners Club re village planting scheme.

Note read out from AD-H as follows:

'As this was not read out at the last meeting, I would be grateful if you would record in the Minutes my concerns about this grant application as follows:

- a) I agree that we owe the Club an answer as soon as possible and I am very much in favour of supporting the Gardeners Club in its efforts to make Greatham a more beautiful place, as part of our Millennium planting etc.
- b) Concerns have been raised by residents about the siting and total cost of the proposals which need to be addressed.
- c) A grant application for 75% of the total cost (£300) from the Parish Council I consider to be too high a percentage.
- d) Of the costing provided, £130 was for plants - I suggest that the Parish Council offer to contribute towards the purchase of the planters and associated materials (i.e. between £100 & £150) - and leave the Gardeners Club to provide the plants. (Maybe residents would be willing to donate or grow plants for this purpose?)
- e) The Digby Way site was well received - I propose that this be allowed to proceed - subject to the approval of the Highways Authority.
- f) Alternative sites should be considered for the second planting scheme. The Selborne Road junction has already been planted by the HCC with a large hornbeam and with two flowering cherries by local residents. The sign on this corner is a directional sign, it is not the entrance to the village. As residents have already expressed concern about the urbanisation of this corner, I would suggest that other sites should be looked at. It was originally suggested that the new build-outs through the village should have some planting to "soften them" - perhaps the Gardeners Club would like to consider that? Or outside the School or Village Hall?.
- g) A letter was also received from Anne-Chantel and Paul Ballard (present at meeting).
- h) GA reported that she had spoken to other residents and there had been no complaints for issues raised.

A vote was taken - unanimous and a cheque was raised and signed by GA/DR

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

8th
7 MAY at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

10.1 PUBLIC MEETING: 17 APRIL at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. Speakers will be:

- Huguette Jenkinson - Old Church Trust
- Allotments Charity
- GLAMA
- Village History - PG
- Tree Planting - AD-H

10.2 Meeting closed at 9.05 p.m.