GREATHAM PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES of the MEETING HELD at GREATHAM VILLAGE HALL on MONDAY.5th APRIL, 2004, at 7,00pm.

04.048: PRESENT: Councillors E.Evans (Chairman); M. Chenell; D.Jerrard; A. Booton; A. Bridgman, H. Rowles, and six members of the public were present.

04.049: OPEN SESSION. No questions or comments were put by the members of public present, so the meeting was opened formally at 7.01 pm.

04.050: **APOLOGIES for ABSENCE:** received on behalf of J. Lodder & County Councillor West.

04.051: MINUTES of LAST MEETING. The minutes of the meeting of 1/3/04 were considered. It was proposed by Cllr Booton, seconded by Cllr Jerrard that the minutes be accepted as a true record. Agreed unanimously.

04.052: MATTERS ARISING. (a) MEETING with LICENSEE OF Queens PH: see under item 04.057 (b) PARISH PLAN PUBLIC MEETING: Cllr Jerrard confirmed that this meeting had been arranged for Saturday 24/4/04. He had taken advice from Community Action Hampshire, and would distribute a flyer throughout the village before 10/4/04. Refreshments would be supplied for the meeting, and full details finalised by the Planning Committee on 19/4/04. (c) BLACKMOOR RECYCLING SITE: Cllr Bridgman reported that letters of concern had been sent to Whitehill Town Council, Hampshire CC, and the Environment Agency, and a meeting of interested parties had been held on 15/3/04, attended by Cllr Jerrard. It was agreed that the implications of use of this site were of great relevance to Greatham Parish, and a close eye should be kept on it.

04.053: FINANCIAL MATTERS. Cllr. Evans reported that £67.25 had been paid for inserts for the new filing cabinets, and that the subscription for HAPTC was due, and should be paid as soon as possible. **ACTION: EE**

Cllr. Evans reminded all new members that they should supply specimen signatures for the Bank Mandate as soon as possible, to the Natwest Bank at Petersfield.

ACTION: ALL

04.054: APPOINTMENT of CLERK: Cllr Evans tabled the resignation letter of Mrs Freda Hillier, and commented that he would continue to seek a replacement. He confirmed that all GPC files received from Clerk Mrs Rowe had been filed in the new cabinet in the Village Hall Committee Room. Cllr Jerrard proposed that a filing clerk should be hired to sort the files professionally, and this was agreed. **ACTION: EE, DJ.**

04.055: CORRESPONDENCE: (a) POLICE: Cllr Evans tabled the reply from Inspector Thorne of Whitehill Police of 3/3/04; it was agreed to invite him to address the Parish Meeting on 10/5/04. **ACTION: ABr.**

(b) EHDC: GPC had been invited to send two delegates to a Community Partnership meeting on 23/4/04. It was agreed that Cllrs Jerrard and Bridgman should attend.

ACTION: DJ

(c) TCHOUKBALL ASSOCIATION: Cllr Evans tabled a letter from Rob Waters, seeking sponsorship contributions for the GB Youth Team entry to the 2004 World Championship, which include his son, Will Waters of Greatham. Cllr Evans declared a personal interest, in that he knew the applicant personally, and withdrew from the meeting. After a short debate, it was proposed by Cllr Bridgman, seconded by Cllr Rowles, that the sum of £50 be donated (towards the £1200 individual costs). This was agreed on a vote of 4-1.

04.056: HAPTC CORRESPONDENCE: Cllr Evans tabled a letter from HAPTC of 8/3/04, which commented on the omissions of former clerk Mrs Rowe immediately prior to her resignation. Cllr Jerrard pointed out that Mrs Rowe's notice did not expire until 2/12/03, so she should have attended the GPC meeting of 1/12/03. As she did not, GPC had had to pay £57 for the services of locum clerk Mr Park, and a further £35 "arrangement fee" to HAPTC. The affiliation fee to HAPTC was now due, at a cost of £155. It was queried whether, in the light of HAPTC correspondence in the period August to December, 2003, affiliation was worthwhile. Cllr Bridgman stated that the

function of HAPTC was to provide professional informed advice on due procedures, without charge, and as such should be supported. It was proposed by Cllr Evans, seconded by Cllr Bridgman, that GPC reaffiliate. This was agreed.

ACTION: EE 04.057: PLANNING MATTERS: Cllr. Jerrard suggested that for this item it would be most convenient for him to follow the agenda of the previous Planning Committee meeting, and this was agreed, and he reported as follows;

- (a) PUBLIC MEETING 16/3/04: It was noted that messrs Baxter and Brazell had attended this meeting to speak about Wolfmere Lane outline proposals. Mr Brazell had stated that he had purchased 3, Kingshott Cottages in his own name, and had no intention to develop it. On 18/3/04 a s.66 notice had been issued to neighbours, giving notice from South Chelsea properties, of which Mr Brazell is believed to be a director, of intention to erect 4 detached houses on the site, subject to planning permission. The same company was believed to be in negotiation with Eurotech, regarding development of land adjacent to the Eurotech factory. It was agreed to resist such applications.
- **(b) NATIONAL PARK**: Noted that no meetings were planned by the Local Structure Plan Inspector for further debate of this issue.
- **(c) AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** Mr Lancaster of CAH had agreed to assist GPC with a survey on this issue, and reported that, though there appeared to be some pressure within EHDC for early choice of exception sites within Greatham for Affordable Housing, the choice thereof was the primary responsibility of the Parish Council.
- (d) LOCAL EXTENSION APPLICATIONS: (i) Winfield, Church Lane had been passed. (ii) Mill Farm had appealed against refusal for a 2 storey extension, and GPC was supporting that appeal. (iii) Farm Cottage: a reply from Planning Officer Ian Ellis had been received regarding our queries on application of policy H16, and was considered unsatisfactory, The legality of the permission granted was dubious, and an urgent response was necessary.

 ACTION: DJ, ABr
- **(e) LE COURT:** No change in the situation, though Cllr Booton would write to Le Court to offer GPC support.
- **(f) SILVER BIRCH/QUEENS.** Cllr. Jerrard tabled the letters of 18/3/04, and reported on the meeting held on 23/3/04 with Neil Savage, purchaser of the Queens, and his manager Alan Maxwell. Cllrs Evans, Booton and Jerrard had been present, and had prepared notes of the meeting, which had indicated improprieties in the EHDC handling of the Queens' scheme. He recommended continued pressure towards EHDC on this issue from GPC, and from individual councillors. **ACTION: DJ.**

04.058: REPORT OF COUNTY & District COUNCILLOR: Nil.

04.059: REPORT FROM FOOTPATH REPRESENTATIVE. Cllr Booton reported that the damaged bridge on Footpath 3 had now been repaired by HCC. All other footpaths in the parish appeared to be in reasonable order.

04.060: ANY OTHER BUSINESS. (1) Cllr Chenell reported that in Longmoor Road a "Tetra" mast had been erected on 4/4/04; the hedge opposite Wolfmere Lane was obstructing the footpath, and the streetlight outside Lindisfarne was obscured by tree branches. Also he had noticed that the drainage on the Village Hall playground was inadequate. Cllr Evans agreed to raise these issues with EHDC and the Village Hall committee. **ACTION: EE**

(2) Cllr Bridgman drew attention to the full report on the GPC printed in the April edition of the Parish Magazine, which was thought to be helpful.

04.061: DATE & PLACE of NEXT MEETING.

It was agreed to meet at 7.00pm on Monday, 10th Mayl, 2004, in the Village Hall. This would be the Annual Parish Meeting, and advance publicity would be required.

ACTION: EE, ABr

04.062: MEETING DECLARED CLOSED at 9.21pm.