

**GREATHAM PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES of the MEETING HELD at GREATHAM VILLAGE HALL on**  
**MONDAY, 5th DECEMBER 2005 at 7pm**

**05.102 PRESENT:** Councillors; E Evans (Chairman); A Booton; M Chennell; D Jerrard; P Larner; County Councillor Mr Cartwright and Mrs T Wicking (Clerk to the Council) were present, together with four members of the public also attended the meeting.

**OPEN SESSION:**

**05.103 APOLOGIES for ABSENCE:** There were apologies from Cllr Rowles and Cllr Bridgman.

**05.104 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:** The County Councillor reported that he had visited Greatham Primary School and had been very impressed. There is currently a vacancy for an LEA Governor and any suggestions would be gratefully received. Cllr Cartwright also reported that Snailing Lane may be closed at some point in the future as a lot of roadworks had been scheduled.

**5.105 MINUTES of LAST MEETING:** The minutes of the meeting of 07/11/05 were circulated and approved. Proposed Cllr Booton and seconded Cllr Jerrard.

**05.106 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:** The Chairman had no announcements.

**05.107 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** The Chairman reminded members of their obligation to make any declarations of interest. Cllr Jerrard and Cllr Evans declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item no 7 – Precept in their capacity as Trustees of the Village Hall.

**05.108 MATTERS ARISING:** There were no matters arising.

**05.109 FINANCIAL MATTERS:** The Schedule of payments was circulated and proposed by Cllr Booton and seconded by Cllr Chennell.

**05.110 PRECEPT:** Cllr Jerrard withdrew. Cllr Evans ran through the figures and the requests for donations received for the benefit of the public. He then answered questions regarding the breakdown and regarding the plans for the Village Hall. Cllr Larner reminded the Council that Greatham's precept is one of the largest in East Hampshire. Cllr Evans withdrew from the meeting and Cllr Booton took over as Chairman. There followed a lengthy discussion. All agreed that the grant for the Old Church was necessary to make repairs and to secure it for future generations. Cllr Chennell asked how the Village Hall Committee

proposed to raise funds for the Village Hall, apart from grants? Cllr Larner commented that the plans for the Village Hall obviously go a great deal further than just compliance with the Disability Discrimination Act, and voiced concerns over what the villagers will see for their money. After further discussions with comments from the floor, Cllr Chennell proposed that the precept be accepted and Cllr Booton seconded, Cllr Larner abstained.

#### **05.111 REPORTS FROM COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS:**

County Councillors report: Cllr Cartwright reported that Greatham School has a new LEA governor, and that there was no further information on the roads. Cllr Booton asked why nothing had happened about the road signs being straightened, Cllr Cartwright replied that there were budget constraints and if repairs had not yet been done then it was probably due to lack of funding. Cllr Booton asked what had happened about the lady who had fallen through the drain cover? He had previously mentioned the drain covers to Cllr West.

There was no report from the District Councillor.

**05.112 CORRESPONDENCE:** Hampshire Now magazine; letter from Mr Self re Old Church grant; Agenda & Minutes for Standards Board.

**05.113 PLANNING MATTERS:** Cllr Jerrard ran through the draft minutes of the last planning meeting for the benefit of the Council.

9 Todmore ; Check letter sent.

Pooks Cottage – F.33079/003/FUL/SY. Cllr Booton explained the application for the benefit of the Council and the members of public. He reminded the Council that he had previously had discussions with the owners regarding the adjacent footpath. Cllr Booton suggested that the Council should offer no objections as long as the work is done within their own boundaries. Cllr Jerrard proposed that the Council should write to EHDC to this effect, provided that the fence is where it should be as proposed changes are close to the fence, and also as it is a listed building all relevant bodies should be fully informed. All agreed.

**ACTION: AJB/CLERK**

**05.114 PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS FOR 2006:** Theses were agreed in principle. Clerk to send copy to Mrs Coffin for confirmation.

**ACTION: CLERK**

**05.115: REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES;**

- a) **Coryton Almshouses:** Cllr Jerrard asked for a copy of the letter referred to at the last meeting.
- b) **HAPTC:** Nothing to report.
- c) **Village Hall:** Nothing to report.
- d) **Old Church:** Nothing to report.
- e) **Transport & Highways:** Nothing further to report.
- f) **Footpaths:** Nothing further to report.
- g) **Le Court:** Nothing to report.
- h) **Blackmoor Recycling:** Nothing to report.

**05.116: ANY OTHER BUSINESS:** Cllr Chennell commented on the parking outside the school. Cllr Evans replied that the best thing to do would be to write to the police complaining about the parking.

Cllr Larner asked whether he could put the precept breakdown on the website, and could he have past Minutes to put on website.

Cllr Evans proposed that all correspondence be sent through the Clerk. All agreed.

**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING:** Monday 9th January 2006, in the Village Hall at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 9pm.