



GRANGE PARK PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 1st MAY 2008 AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, GRANGE PARK

Present: Cllrs A Walker (Ch), M Smith, A Stansfield, G Proudley, D Ramsay, T Jainu-Deen, C Nobbs, R Gerrard, C Rees
L Ellington

Attending: Mrs T Sampson (Clerk), S Cates, J Foster District Councillor O'Leary

08/73 Public Questions

None

08/74 District Councillors Report

District Councillor Jainu-Deen reported that the determination meeting for the Frontiers planning application had been cancelled due to the 21 days statutory notice not being met. The Council noted that a letter had been received from Brian Bingley today regarding the above application. The Clerk was asked to put letter on the website and e-mailed to all Councillors

08/75 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs S Cates, J Foster.

Apologies were also noted from District Councillor Peter O'Leary

08/76 Declaration of Members Interest

Cllr Ellington declared an interest in item 84.2

08/77 Minutes of the meeting of 3rd April 2008

77.1 The Council approved and adopted the minutes dated 3rd April 2008 and the Chairman signed them as a correct record .

77.2 Matters arising
See Appendix 1

77.3 The Council approved and adopted the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting on the 14th April and signed them as a correct record

08/78 Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported on the following issues :

- attended the Civic Dinner on behalf the Parish Council .
- The Chairman, Clerk and Vice Chair attended a meeting with SNC regarding the management of the S106. An update will be given once all the information has been received

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- It was agreed to arrange a meeting with the highways dept regarding the street lights within Grange Park
- It was agreed to arrange a meeting with Grange Park Action Group regarding the Frontiers Development

Action: Clerk

The Chairman also informed the meeting that our landscaping contractors (Frosts) have had to abandon the cutting of the grass throughout Grange Park this week due to bad weather conditions.

- 78.2 It was noted that the Parish Surgery went ahead as planned on Saturday 26th April 2008. It was agreed that the council would run these quarterly thought the year . The Clerk was asked to seek some provisional dates.

Action: Clerk

08/79 Clerk's Report

None

08/80 Finance

- 80.1 The Council approved the expenditure listed in Appendix 2 .
- 80.2 The Council considered a grant request from the Events committee in order to get the group established and put on a number of community entertainment throughout the year. The Council agreed and approved to give them £1,000. (LGA 1972, S145). The Clerk was asked to sort out the relevant paperwork
- Action: Clerk**
- 80.3 The Council considered a grant request from Grange Park Rangers Football to help with their running cost of using the Community Centre facilities. The Council agreed and approved to give them £500. (LGA 1976,s 19) . The Clerk was asked to sort out the relevant paperwork.

Action: Clerk

08/81 Planning, Highways and Transportation

- 81.1 S/2008/0410/A
 Location: 4 Grange Park Court, Roman Way
 Proposal: 4no fascia signs
 Case Officer: David Eastham
 Observations: No comment
- S/2008/0401/P
 Location: Grange Park Harvester
 Proposal: Single Storey rear extension to the cellar
 Case Officer: Suzanne Groves
 Observations: No comment
- S/2008/0443/P
 Location: Zone E4 Bridge Meadow Way Off Saxon Avenue, Grange Park
 Proposal: Replace car port and staff flat with a pitched roof car port
 Case Officer: Peter Bateman
 Observations: No comment

- 81.2 To following planning decision were noted:

APPROVED

S/2008/0231/A

- Location: Unit 1 Cheaney Drive, Grange Park
 Proposal: Flat Company sign non illuminated to the side elevation

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S/2008/0196/P
Location: 23 Springwell Close, Grange Park
Proposal: Conservatory

S/2008/0122/P
Location: Unit 6, Roman Way, Grange Park
Proposal: Fire escape door to SouthEast elevation

REFUSAL

S/2008/0194/P
Location: 59 Quintonside, Grange Park
Proposal: Proposed double garage & conversion of existing garage to habitable room

81.2 Cllr Nobbs informed the meeting that he had sought various prices from suppliers but they were in the region of £8,000 for one which as discussed at the last Parish Council meeting that was over our budget. It was therefore agreed that Cllr Nobbs would look into additional funding from Commercial Businesses on Grange Park.
Action: Cllr Nobbs

Cllr Ramsay tabled some information on the SMS text Messaging which explained the use of messaging, how it works and costs. The Parish Council agreed that is seemed a reasonable cost and therefore would like to try it out on a temporary basis at a cost of £50. This was all subject to the residents giving us their contact details in order for us to build a database. It was agreed to write something in the newsletter (if not already published, advertise on the web and put posters up around the parish. The Council agreed to delegate Cllr Ramsay and the Clerk to implement the above.

Action: Clerk

81.3 It was agreed that Cllr Rees would speak at the determination meeting on behalf of Grange Park Parish Council. In the event that Cllr Rees is unable to make it then the Vice-Chair Cllr Smith volunteered. The Clerk was asked to let WNDC know that we would like to speak when the date is published.
Action: Clerk

08/82 Administration and Staffing

82.1 Cllr Nobbs informed the Council that Cllr J Foster and the Clerk were working on Personal development Plans and incentive schemes. It was agreed that once prepared it would come back to full council for approval.
Action: Cllr Foster/ Clerk

82.2 It was agreed that the following would attend the NCALC courses:

The Council as an Employer	Cllr Foster and the Clerk	-	17 th May or the 21 st May
Communication	Cllr Stansfield	-	4 th or 21 st June

The Clerk was asked to sort out the relevant paperwork.
Action: Clerk

08/83 Recreation and Amenities

83.1 All recreation and amenities issues are covered in the agenda

83.2 It was noted that in order for the Parish Council to install a Multi Use Games Area we need to have a variation on the S106 agreement. It was agreed that we wait for the legal transfer which should be in the summer 2008
Action: Clerk

- 83.3 Cllr Smith updated the Council on the following issues regarding the Sports Pavilion at Foxfields Country Park:
- Football Foundation application bid is still outstanding
 - We have applied for some funding from SNC for the Capital Project Cost.
 - To arrange a meeting with Ben Dunning of the football foundation to discuss the bid – Cllrs Smith, Walker, Ellington and the Clerk would like to attend.
 - HSSP Architects are nearly ready with all the paperwork in order for us to go out to tender for the build of the pavilion and associated car parking – Cllr Smith will update at the next meeting when all relevant paperwork has been received. **Action: Clerk**
- 83.4 It was noted that the Bus Assessment had been received from Cole Easdon but unfortunately due to time Constraints members were not able to digest the information. It was therefore agreed that the Clerk would send an electronic copy to all members seeking their opinion. **Action: Clerk**

08/84 Community Centre, MUGA and Bowling Green

- 84.1 It was agreed that a letter would be sent to appropriate users notifying them that ‘No Ball Games’ are to be played on the veranda overlooking the Bowling Green due to health and Safety Issues. The Clerk was asked to sort out the relevant paperwork and have signs installed. **Action: Clerk**
- 84.2 Cllr Ramsay informed the Council that 3 quotes had been received regarding the outstanding work on the storage shed located at the Community Centre - The quotes were received from:
- GrelemPSS Ltd - £7,170.00
- Grendon Developments - £8,165.00
- Colin R Tapp -£7,875.00
- The Council agreed to appoint Grendon Developments due to the fact that the SNC Building Inspector had suggested that he had inspected his work before and had found no problems. **Action: Clerk**
- The Council agreed to write to Northampton Trading Standards seeking advice about work that was not completed on the storage shed by Allbright Building Solutions – The Parish Council were concerned that due to Allbright Building Solutions actions the project has now cost nearly £20,000 against the original quote of £14,000. **Action: Clerk**

08/85 Community Activities

- 85.1 Nothing to report

08/86 Website and Newsletter

- 86.1 It was agreed that before the newsletter is approved – if some changes could be made on the events committee calendar.
- The Clerk was asked to speak to the webmaster and arrange a meeting regarding the design etc of the Website. Cllrs Walker and Cates will attend the meeting. **Action: Clerk**
- 86.2 The quote for the copying of our newsletter had not yet been obtained. It was therefore agreed to defer this item to the next meeting

08/87 Correspondence

- NCC - Rights of Way Improvement Plan 2007 – This was passed to the Walkers for comment.

08/48 Date of the Next Meeting

The next Council and Annual Meeting of the Parish will be on Thursday 5th June 2008 at 7.30pm

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 09.55pm.

