

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
GUNTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL**

HELD ON WEDNESDAY JUNE 25th 2008 IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Cllrs. Mrs Lesley Jeffery (Chairperson)
Mrs Jennifer Williamson (A)
Roy Thornhill
Mick Bowles (A)
Peter Platten
Tony Everington
Mrs Helen Sutton.(A)

Also present were the Clerk Gordon Oldham, Notts County Councillor Andy Stewart and Newark and Sherwood District Councillor Roger Jackson.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllrs Mrs Jennifer Williamson, Mick Bowles and Mrs Helen Sutton.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There was none.

3. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Held on June 4th 2008 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairperson.

4. HIGHWAY MATTERS

Discussion was held regarding the Road Traffic Accident and subsequent attempts to make safer the A3097. Members were informed of an item in the Nottingham Evening Post and that the Parish Plan laid great emphasis on road safety and the need for measures to be implemented. However, a report received from Cllr Smedley, Cabinet Minister, Notts County Council clearly states that on a 'pointing system' Gunthorpe did not qualify for permanent speed cameras, speed indicators or traffic signals. Despite this members and villagers are determined to carry on the 'fight'.

The Clerk was asked to write again to the highways agency regarding the repair work required on the stanchions and fence adjacent the fisherman's gate.

5. ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

Cllr Thornhill requested that obsolete notices be removed from notice boards.

It was reported that dog bins were not being emptied and litter bins had not been re-erected on new lamp posts. On the matter of graffiti, Cllr Patten is to investigate and report – the names of some vandals are known and it was suggested that these could be published in the village newsletter. It would also be made known that areas particularly prone to vandalism were now under surveillance.

Regarding the Electricity Sub-Station, the Clerk was asked to arrange a meeting with Central Networks to discuss re-siting.

The Clerk reported that a letter from Mike Elliott had been sent to Angus Trimble, NCC, regarding Footpath No 4, objecting to two proposals and supporting a third. The Clerk was asked to send copies to Mr Trimble and Cllr Platten.

Members agreed that the Midsummer Festival had been a bit noisy, but otherwise trouble free and that parking had not been a problem.

6. CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk reported on communication with Newark & Sherwood DC regarding Grange Farm and Marlock Cottages and updated Members on the 'ownership' of the A612 layby. It was agreed that there would be a meeting in August this year (27th) and that the Clerk would use a system of notification of meetings for Members.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was received as follows:

- EA – email – Marlock Cottages
- Bionic Ear Show
- Andy Wallace
- Housing Forum
- Safer Neighbourhood Groups
- British Waterways
- Playground Inspections
- Draft Developer Planning Document

8. FINANCE

For payment tonight and confirmation of payment since last meeting (if any, and marked with *).

PSNo	Chq No		Net Total	VAT	TOTAL
43	154	Gunthorpe Village Hall Play Area (PP)	500.00	87.50	587.50
43	154	Gunthorpe Village Hall Play Area (PP)	100.00		100.00
44	155	TG Systems - Clerk's Salary	153.28		153.28
44	155	TG Systems - Expenses	28.00		28.00
45	156	NALC - Clerk's Training	200.00		200.00
<u>Total expenditure for meeting</u>			981.28	87.50	1068.78
<u>Total expenditure to date</u>			2,942.40	148.40	3,090.80

9. GRAVEL EXTRACTION & FLOODING

Members were notified that discussion of matters relating to the possible restoration of the gravel workings would take place at the Bulcote Parish Council Meeting on 16th July.

10. PLANNINGNewark and Sherwood DC applications

08/00583/FUL - Peter Dowling - 1. Erection of Smoking Shelter (Retrospective) 2. Erection of Ground Floor Extension to Skittle Alley – objections raised.

Newark and Sherwood DC decisions

None

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council Meeting will take place on the 23rd July at 7:30pm