

None were made

3176. ENVIRONMENT AGENCY REPORT

The Clerk introduced the recently published Flood Alleviation Scheme proposals. The report covers the Trent valley between Sawley and Radcliffe on Trent and money was to be made available in 2006/07. It was agreed the Chairman should respond

3177. PLANNING

Application 28/04 04/01861/OUT to develop playing fields on Regatta Way was discussed. Whilst not objecting to the application by the County Council it was agreed there were some important issues to be raised, namely, inadequate street lighting for increased traffic on regatta way, insufficient parking which could result in inappropriate parking on Regatta Way, inadequate facilities in the pavilion which could limit maximum consecutive use of all the playing fields. It was confirmed that there were no plans for flood lighting but a major concern expressed was that there was apparently little of no opportunity for Parish based teams to use the facilities.

Cllr K Cutts left the meeting

3178. FINANCE

Accounts

Treasury 3 rd January 2005	£30407.48
Business 14 Notice Acc 3 rd January 2005	£82094.01

Income

Interest	£234.51
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Expenditure

Payee	Cheques for signing:	
	Chq No.	Amount
Roger J Hawkins (Clerk salary 4 weeks Sept)	100577	£446.11
Roger J Hawkins (Clerk expenses)	100578	£45.51
Hacker Young (Audit)	100572	£293.75
BCVS (Domain name registration)	100573	£33.49
Rushcliffe Borough Council (Play Area licence)	100574	£25.00
Zurich Municipal (Insurance)	100575	£618.17
PWLB (Loan repayment)	100579	24550.00
Total		£27579.15

It was agreed to cancel cheque numbers 100553 (and raise a new cheque for early repayment of the loan) and 100570, 571 and 576.

The Clerk reported that the Parish grant aid system operated by Rushcliffe Borough Council was to be ended and the Parish would have to raise a precept without the benefit of any grant. The parishes would be given access to funds for capital projects but would have to apply competitively. It was agreed the Newsletter should carry an explanation of the new system.

The Clerk presented a financial report on the arts events organised by the Parish over the last two years and reported a break-even situation. It was agreed to support a performance on 11th May and to allocate funds.

Cllr Barr reported on progress with the WREN application, Council approved the actions taken, and the Clerk was asked to write the appropriate letters to WREN providing the clarification requested and confirming the 11% third party funding.

3179. ROADS & RIGHTS OF WAY

Mr Ferris spoke to the Council on the problems still being experienced as a result of road marking on the Lings Bar road. The Clerk offered to write to the Highways Agency

3180. RISK ANALYSIS

The Clerk reported there an item for consideration this month was the Council insurers. The Clerk reported that he found Zurich to be very helpful and was not recommending an alternative. After some discussion it was agreed to retain Zurich. The Clerk also reported that the outstanding claim for damages made by Mrs Kennedy following an accident at the entrance to the village hall had been settled with no payment being made.

3181. DATE OF NEXT MEETING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

It was agreed the next meeting would be on Tuesday 18th January when the only agenda items would be the budget for 2005/06 and the precept.

The meeting finished at 10:30 pm

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
HOLME PIERREPONT & GAMSTON
PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD ON TUESDAY 18TH JANUARY 2005 AT 7:30 PM
AT GAMSTON VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr. Frank Thomas - Chairman Cllr M Barr - Vice Chairman
 Cllr. C Brackenbury M Clarke
 Cllr. Diane Kidger Cllr. John Harbury-Carlisle
 Cllr. John Mason Mrs C Stacey
 Cllr. Melvyn Tisbury

In attendance R J Hawkins – Clerk

3182. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received and accepted from and Cllrs. M Bancroft and Jane Mansell

3183. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The minutes of the meeting held on 10th January 2005 were amended to show M Clarke present and C Brackenbury deleted from the attendees and then accepted and signed by the Chairman.

3184. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were made

3185. CLERK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The clerk reported that a newspaper article suggested Nottinghamshire CC were keen to see land adjacent to Regatta Way developed and there were advanced plans to apply for planning permission to build 1200 houses. Surprise was expressed that Cllr. Kay Cutts appeared not to have knowledge of this proposal and had not warned the Parish Council of the County's plans.

The Clerk was asked to enquire if the Environment Agency had been asked to report as the land was liable to flooding and Cllr. Tisbury agreed to talk to Rushcliffe BC as the area in question was not designated in the Local Plan for building.

It was also reported that some white lining had been done in the area around the Village Hall.

3186. FINANCE

The Clerk reported that Rushcliffe BC had decided not to continue with the Parish Grant Aid scheme. There was some discussion on the implications of this for the Parish Council and the precept. It was agreed to include an explanation of the changes in the next Newsletter.

The draft budget 2005/06 produced by the Clerk was discussed and changes made. It was agreed to set a budget of £40,000.

Precept. The Clerk was instructed to submit the precept request on the basis of the budget

3187. DATE OF NEXT MEETING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Date confirmed as 14th March 2005

(The meeting finished at 21:40)

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
HOLME PIERREPONT & GAMSTON
PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD ON TUESDAY 14TH FEBRUARY 2005 AT 7:30 PM
AT GAMSTON VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr. Frank Thomas - Chairman Cllr M Barr - Vice Chairman
Cllr. M Bancroft M Clarke
Cllr. John Harbury-Carlisle Cllr. Jane Mansell
Cllr. John Mason Mrs C Stacey

In attendance R J Hawkins – Clerk Mr G Dyke & Mr R Willis
Cllr B Cooper

The meeting was preceded by a short presentation by residents of the mobile home park who reported there had been further harassment of tenants with the owner trying to force some homes to be moved. Mr Willis explained there was a meeting scheduled with Rushcliffe BC and asked the Parish Council for support. It was agreed Cllr Cooper should make enquiries of the Borough Solicitor and if appropriate the clerk should write a letter of support to Rushcliffe BC.

The meeting started at 8:05 pm

3188. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received and accepted from and Cllrs. Kidger & Tisbury. Cllr M Hemsley also sent his apologies.

3189. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 18th January 2005 were agreed and signed by the Chairman

3190. CLERK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The clerk presented a copy of a report from Rushcliffe BC entitled Partnership with Parishes. It was agreed this was an important step forward in the relationship between Borough and Parish and the clerk was asked to obtain a copy for each member. Two other documents from the ODPM (Vibrant Local Leadership and Citizen Engagement) were noted and circulated

A copy of the Local transport Plan 2006/11 had also been received, the clerk was asked to send a copy to Cllr Bancroft. The Chairman reported that the Cross Bridgford bus service looked certain to go ahead but probably not until early summer. Council was reminded that the bus shelter near Greenacres Park had been moved and the dropped kerb replaced. It was expected that the transport group would address these issues but in the meantime they would be noted.

The clerk reported he had received some preliminary information on the new licencing laws and raised the question whether the Village Hall required an entertainments licence. The clerk was asked to send information to the Village Hall Committee Chairman.

The clerk reported a new salary Structure and Contract of Employment had been issued by NALC and after some discussion it was proposed by Cllr Harbury-Carlisle and seconded by Cllr. Mason that the appropriate grade for the Clerk was Profile 2

Notice Boards; the clerk reported two notice boards, one outside the school and the other on Ambleside, were in poor condition and may need to be replaced in the near future. It was agreed

to carry out repairs in the first instance as in both places there was the possibility of CCTV being introduced.

The clerk reported that he had produced a questionnaire which Ray Willis would circulate asking for comments on the proposed road name change from Bassingfield Lane, Gamston to Old Tollerton Road

The Clerk reported that Ian Fraser had resigned as internal auditor; the clerk was asked to send information to Cllrs Mansell and Mason, as they may be able to recommend a replacement auditor.

3191. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were given

3192. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Cllr K Cutts not being present there was no update available on the County Council proposal to develop land on Regatta Way. It was confirmed that this proposal would be a topic for discussion at the Local Plan hearing on 22nd and 23rd February at the water Sports Centre.

The following applications were considered and no objections recorded for all

01/05	18-Jan	00063/FUL	Mr & Mrs A Warden	Side extension at 1 Bampton Court
02/05	27-Jan	00103/FUL	Drs MS & R Reddy	Extension and conservatory at 5 Ambleside
03/05	1-Feb	00145/ADV	B Waterways	Display boards at the Nat Water Sports Centre
04/05	1-Feb	00152/FUL	Alex & Fiona Brown	2 storey side extension at 24 Windermere

Cllr Bancroft made the observation that while a number of poster in the parish had been removed by Rushcliffe BC a very large BOVIS sign had appeared without planning permission. The clerk was asked to investigate.

3193. FINANCE

The Financial statement was approved and cheques signed.

The clerk reported that the loan had been repaid in full and a cheque for £286.67 received from PLWB as repayment for the original overpayment.

The Clerk reported that it had proved too difficult to purchase a PC from Dell and cheque number was declared void. It was agreed the Clerk could purchase a PC from Evesham and obtain signatures before the next meeting.

3194. VILLAGE HALL

Cllr Mason reported on a number of events arranged and asked for the dates to be included in the next Newsletter. It was agreed that in future the Clerk would try and produce the Newsletter in March, June, September and December with copy dates February, end May, early September and end November and these would be advertised in the Newsletter. After some discussion it was also agreed to circulate the Newsletter outside the parish to include the whole of Gamston estate, this would require a print run of 2000.

Cllr Barr believed there had been a change in the law relating to activities on 5th November; the clerk believed that as our insurers were satisfied with our activities that we were acting lawfully but this would be reviewed nearer the date.

It was reported that the millennium clock had been rewired and for the first time for a long time the clock was accurate. There had been no progress on the electrical survey but it was understood the Village Hall Committee had this in hand with a quote of £120.

The Village Hall Committee had asked when the work agreed some time ago with Rushcliffe BC to level and reseed part of the green would be undertaken. The clerk reported he had spoken to Jim Beard some months ago but rubbish from the bonfire had not been removed and the work could not be done. Cllr Cooper offered to make enquiries.

The Village Hall Committee had asked that any benches not required in the play area could they be moved to the village green; this was agreed.

The storeroom could now accommodate a filing cabinet and the clerk was asked to liaise with Cllr Mason to organise.

Cllr Mansell left the meeting at 10:20 pm

3195. PLAY AREA PROGRESS REPORT

Cllr Barr reported that the completed application was with WREN. Cllr Barr expressed concern over the section 106 money available via Rushcliffe BC as nothing had been heard. The clerk was asked to investigate. The trees and undergrowth had been cut back on the play area and one more site visit was required.

The clerk reported that he had written to Inspector England asking for help with installing an interactive road sign on Ambleside.

3196. ENVIRONMENT AGENCY

The Chairman reported that he had written a response to the Environment Agency's report on the Nottingham Flood Alleviation Scheme. However he believed the majority of the report concerned the environmental impact of the scheme rather than the scheme itself.

3197. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

The Chairman reported on a meeting he had attended to publish the police budget for 2005/06 where he had expressed the view that prevention was better than cure and asked the police to support the provision of youth workers. The chief constable was sympathetic to the suggestion but his efforts were more directed to a significant increase in Community Officers. There was no news on a Beat manager for the parish.

Cllr Bancroft left the meeting at 10:35 pm

Cllr Mason informed the meeting that the area Neighbourhood Watch Chairman had resigned and after some discussion it was agreed the clerk should ask the police for monthly crime statistics for the parish.

3198. DATE OF NEXT MEETING PARISH COUNCIL TO BE CONFIRMED AS 14TH MARCH 2005

The meeting finished at 10:45pm

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
HOLME PIERREPONT & GAMSTON
PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD ON MONDAY 14TH MARCH 2005 AT 7:30 PM
AT GAMSTON VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr. Frank Thomas - Chairman Cllr. M Barr Vice Chairman
 Cllr. M Bancroft Cllr. M C Clarke
 Cllr. Diane Kidger Cllr. John Harbury-Carlisle
 Cllr. John Mason Cllr. Jane Mansell
 Cllr. Melvyn Tisbury Mrs. C Stacey

In attendance R J Hawkins – Clerk
 Mr G Dykes and Cllrs. Barrie Cooper and Mike Hemsley

The Parish Council meeting was preceded by a discussion with two residents of the Mobile Home Park representing the tenants who were unhappy at developments on the park and the insistence by the management that Phase 1 be implemented and some mobile homes were to be moved. The Parish Council was asked to write to Rushcliffe BC chief executive with copies to the environment department and Ken Clarke MP supporting the residents right to stay where they are. It was also explained that there had been a fire at the park and one home completely destroyed.

There then followed a short presentation by Sarah Stevenson who described her plans to start a drama group on Tuesday afternoon and evenings in the village hall under the banner of Unlimited Theatre starting on 26th April. Four sessions would be held weekly catering for different age groups from 5 to 16 years. Sarah explained that she was looking for help in advertising the initiative and would be looking for performance opportunities and Lark in the Park on 4th August was suggested as a possibility. Sarah confirmed she had public liability insurance.

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3199. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 14th February 2005 were accepted without alteration and signed by the Chairman.

Cllr Tisbury commented on minute 3192 to say planning permission was not required for temporary signs to a maximum of 28 days and minute 3194 to ask if Rushcliffe BC could be asked to complete the levelling and reseedling of the Village Green. The clerk was asked to write to Rushcliffe BC

3200. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were made

3201. CLERK'S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The clerk asked for the date of the Annual Parish meeting to be set, this was agreed as Monday 16th May at 7;30 pm with the theme "Your Community" and with the Annual Parish Council meeting at 6:30 pm on the same evening. The clerk was asked to invite the same guests as last year with the addition of Philip Jenkins from the National Water Sports Centre.

The clerk advised the council that it was in order if they so wished to co-opt Cynthia Stacey to the council. Cllr Harbury-Carlisle proposed that Cynthia be co-opted and Cllr John Mason seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

The clerk reported that AMScott had informed him of proposed lane closures on the roundabout at the northern end of Lings Bar Road. Members had already experienced the closure but the whole road had been closed with diversions along Ambleside and this prompted a discussion on the installation of an interactive camera. The clerk reported he had written to Inspectors England and Milton but had not received a reply; Cllr Bancroft agreed to contact Inspector Milton.

A survey of residents of the Mobile Home Park had been completed asking for views on the road name change from Bassingfield lane to Old Tollerton Road. Approximately 50 questionnaires had been circulated and eighteen replies received though it was suspected that some of these were from residents of Bassingfield not Gamston; the majority were in favour of the name change. The clerk was asked to convey the results to Rushcliffe BC.

The clerk introduced the recently published report by Rushcliffe BC on The Relationship with the Parishes. There was some discussion on this paper but the general opinion was that it lacked detail, it was agreed the clerk should respond to the items discussed.

Some notice boards in the parish were in poor condition and beyond repair and the clerk was asked to obtain a quote for the replacement of the Ambleside display board.

The clerk thanked Cllr Mason for the monthly Play Area Inspection Report.

3202. PLANNING

The clerk reported on an application received for alterations to Safeway Supermarket; this was unusual as this was outside the parish. It was agreed not to comment.

The application to develop sports facilities on Regatta Way had been given outline permission with inter alia a condition stating social functions were not to be held until a flood protection scheme had been approved. This was unusual, as the pavilion application did not appear to include anything other than changing facilities.

The Chairman reported that he had attended the hearing into the Rushcliffe Local Plan to hear the arguments put forward by the County Council to develop land near Regatta way and build 1200 houses. Rushcliffe BC opposed this and preferred Sharp Hill for development. However, the location on the flood plain made it a less than satisfactory location and it was understood that current guidelines do not permit the construction of flood defences purely to build houses and it therefore seemed unlikely the County would succeed. Although present the Environment Agency representatives for procedural reasons were not allowed to talk. Cllr. Tisbury agreed to make enquiries of the Environment Agency to see if they had been asked to comment on the County's proposals as the Chairman understood that the Environment Agency were not in favour of enmaining the Gamston Brook and this would be a prerequisite of any development. The clerk was asked to write to the Environment Agency asking if they had considered installing non-return valves on Gamston and Adbolton Brooks.

3203. VILLAGE HALL

The clerk expressed his concern that it appeared that there had been no inspection of the gas installation this year and Cllr Mason agreed to make enquiries. The testing of electrical appliances had not yet been completed but it was understood that the Village Hall Committee had received a quote.

3204. PLAY AREA

Cllr Kidger reported that WREN had made an award of £25,000 towards the cost of the refurbishment of the play area; Cllr Mason thanked all those involved in the project and congratulated them on their success. It was agreed that a special be convened to discuss the way forward.

Cllr Kidger also explained that neither Pedigree nor SOL had responded to our letters asking for support and it was still hoped further funding would be forthcoming. Cllr Barr also believed we should be entitled to section 106 money and Cllr Barrie Cooper agreed to make enquiries at Rushcliffe BC.

Cllr M Tisbury left the meeting at 9:30pm

3205. ARTS IN THE PARISH

The clerk tabled the proposed advertising flier for the Travelling Trousers performance on 11th May; this was approved and it was agreed the school should be asked to distribute copies with their newsletter.

3206. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

Cllr Stacey asked the council to consider supporting a musical event at Holme Pierrepont Hall on Sunday 26th June by Musica Domino Dei. Cllr Mason proposed and Cllr Harbury-Carlisle seconded a donation of £100; this was agreed. Cllr Stacey asked for help advertising the event.

Cllr Kidger reported on a meeting held earlier in the day to discuss the possibility of organising a Summer School. The meeting had been poorly attended although there had been some offers of help including “The Friends of the School”. For practical and technical reasons the Parish Council could not run the school alone and would have to secure partners, a separate bank account was required if the County was to support the venture and the organisation responsible would have to be properly constituted. It was agreed to discuss option at the special meeting being called to discuss the play area project.

Cllrs Bancroft and Mansell left the meeting at 10:35pm

Cllr Mason reported that he had approximately 300 copies of the latest newsletter and it was agreed the southern boundary of distribution should be extended and the distributors be asked to deliver the additional copies with some copies being made available in the supermarket and the doctor’s surgery.

The Chairman explained he was taking part in a heritage day initiative for school children in West Bridgford Library.

3207. FINANCE

The clerk presented the financial statement, this was agreed and the following cheques signed;

Accounts

Treasury (3 rd March 2005)	£3,487.21
Business (3 rd March 2005)	£82,440.03

Cheques signed since last meeting (Parish PC)	100589	£819.00
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Expenditure

<u>Payee</u>	Cheques for signing: <u>Chq No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Roger J Hawkins (Clerk salary 5 weeks January)	100590	£458.11
Roger J Hawkins (Clerk expenses)	100591	£61.03
B Duffin (Contribution to SLCC membership)	100592	£75.00
B Duffin	100593	£118.00

(s137 – St Edmunds)		
FH Thomas	100594	£1200.00
(Chairman’s Allowance)		
NALC	100595	25.00
(Training – Councillors Behaving Badly)		
Total		£1937.14

The clerk confirmed that nobody had responded to the advert in the Newsletter for an auditor but reported that NALC had provided the names of those prepared to act as internal auditor and the clerk was given approval to make approaches.

3208. DATE OF NEXT MEETING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The date of a special meeting to consider the Play Area project in the light of the WREN award was agreed as 23rd March at 7:30pm and the next ordinary meeting on Monday 11th April.

The meeting finished at 10:40pm

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
HOLME PIERREPONT & GAMSTON
PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD ON MONDAY 23RD MARCH AT 7:30 PM
AT GAMSTON VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr. Frank Thomas - Chairman Cllr M Barr Vice Chairman
 Cllr. M Bancroft Cllr. M C Clarke
 Cllr. Diane Kidger Cllr. John Harbury-Carlisle
 Cllr. John Mason Cllr. Jane Mansell
 Cllr. Melvyn Tisbury

In attendance R J Hawkins – Clerk

The meeting was preceded by a presentation

3209. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received and accepted from and Cllr. C Stacey

3210. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th March 2005 were accepted and signed by the Chairman.

3201. Cllr Bancroft reported he had had a conversation with Insp. Milton who fully supported our idea for an interactive camera and wished to be kept informed of developments. It was also reported that Community Wardens had been seen patrolling within the parish.

3202 The clerk was asked to write to the Environment Agency asking them to consider the installation of non-return valves as part of the flood defence scheme.

3211. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were made

3212. FINANCE

Cllr Mason reported on various site visits to the village hall to discuss electrical work and it was agreed to approve the recommended work and a quote from central networks was approved.

Cllr. Mason reported that additional copies of the newsletter had been distributed.

The following cheques were signed.

Nottingham Office Equipment (Filing cabinet)	100597	£76.38
Cllr M Barr (Reimbursement of WREN expenses)	100598	£18.50
P J Runnegar (Newsletter distribution)	100599	£12.40
Central Networks (Electrical work, village hall)	100600	£75.00

There was some discussion on the recent leaflet from Rushcliffe BC explaining the rate demand for the next financial year; it was agreed that this was not as transparent as had been hoped and it was agreed to have a hand out available for distribution at the Annual Meeting.

3213. PLAY AREA

Cllrs. Barr and Kidger reported on their recent discussions with WREN and their success in being awarded a grant of £25,000; the budget for the whole project was presented by Cllr Barr and this was noted, subject to satisfactory agreement on details this would involve the Parish Council in expenditure of approximately £33,000 to complete the project. Current reserves for the play area stood at £23,000 and it was agreed to transfer £10,800 from other reserves to meet this requirement. Cllr Harbury-Carlisle proposed and Cllr. John Mason seconded that the following be transferred, IT (£1300), Millennium (£2500), Home Zone (£1000) School (£3000) and School Building (£3000), this was agreed unanimously. Two main prerequisites of the award were insurance and proof of interest in the land; the clerk explained that the council's insurance included public liability but that the existing play equipment was not insured. Cllr Tisbury proposed and Cllr Bancroft seconded a resolution to approach Rushcliffe BC with a view to purchasing the land on Ambleside, this was approved unanimously.

It was hoped that the new play area could be open by the summer but for a short period access would have to be closed while the work was undertaken. There was some discussion on the security of the site and the provision of appropriate signs, guidance was to be sought from Kevin Hadyn on the latter.

Cllr Harbury-Carlisle proposed and Cllr. John Mason seconded a proposal to enter final contract discussions with Clements Construction and subject to satisfactory conclusion the Parish Council would financially support the project.

The Chairman thanked all those involved with the project for their hard work and congratulated them on their success in obtaining a WREN Award.

3214. SUMMER SCHOOL

Cllr. Kidger gave a progress report on the proposal to run a Summer School in partnership with the National Water Sports Centre. A possible leader had come forward and a number of volunteers had also made themselves known. The Parish Council would be responsible for the payment of wages but grants may be available for the purchase of equipment

Cllr Bancroft left the meeting at 9:10pm

Volunteers would be essential as there were strict guidelines on the ratio of adults to children, all volunteers would have to be CRB checked but Nottinghamshire CC were prepared to help.

3215. DATE OF NEXT MEETING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Monday 11th April 2005

The meeting finished at 9:40pm

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
HOLME PIERREPONT & GAMSTON
PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD ON MONDAY 11TH APRIL 2005 AT 7:30 PM
AT GAMSTON VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr. Frank Thomas - Chairman Cllr M Barr Vice Chairman
 Cllr. M Bancroft M C Clarke
 Cllr. Diane Kidger Cllr. John Harbury-Carlisle
 Cllr. John Mason Cllr. Jane Mansell
 Cllr. Melvyn Tisbury

In attendance R J Hawkins – Clerk Cllr. Kay Cutts
 Cllr. Barrie Cooper & Mr G Dykes Thirteen local residents

The meeting was preceded by an open discussion on the recently received planning application for the building of 24 homes on part of the mobile home park. Differing views were presented by representatives of the residents of the mobile homes and local residents living adjacent to or nearby the proposed development. There was also a discussion on the relocation of some of the mobile homes by the site owner. It was confirmed there would be a meeting of the residents' association the following evening. The Parish Council meeting started at 8:20pm

Cllr Bancroft joined the meeting.

3216. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Stacey and Cllr Hemsley

3217. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 23rd March 2005 were accepted and signed by the Chairman.

3218. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were made

3219. PLANNING

The council considered application reference 07/05 submitted by Mr & Mrs Bray for a 2 & 1 storey extension at 6 Ennerdale Close and had no objections.

The clerk reported that a number of applications had been received too late to circulate before the meeting and it was agreed to hold a planning meeting on Monday 25th April to consider these applications. It was agreed the council should try and ensure that the application for development of the mobile home park should go before the Rushcliffe BC planning committee and not be decided by officers.

The following decision notices were reported

Mr R Jeffers, extension to manor Farm, Main Street, refused.
British Waterways, Display panels, approved
Alex & Fiona Brown, extension to 24 Windermere Close approved.

Cllr Harbury-Carlisle reported that he had seen extensive tree felling taking place along the canal and expressed surprise that we had not seen a planning application; he had prevented some felling to protect nesting birds and agreed to make further enquiries

3220. CLERK'S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The clerk asked the council to consider the period of time files should be held in the archive. It was confirmed that financial papers, insurance certificates and any licenses should be retained indefinitely but it was agreed general the clerk could exercise control but in general correspondence files pre 2000 could be destroyed; planning documents need only be retained for 12 months except in the case of large developments.

The clerk reported that he and the Chairman had planted a replacement Oak Tree for the millennium tree and Cllr Tisbury agreed to organise regular watering.

The clerk asked council to consider the project to install a bench in the Lady Bay area. It was agreed the clerk should write to the Lady bay Association asking for clarification on the preparation of the site and grass cutting.

The clerk had spoken with Jim Beard from Rushcliffe BC about the landscaping of the village hall green and it was agreed the clerk should write suggesting a levelling of the existing area rather than major landscaping involving extensive works.

The clerk brought to council's attention the invitation received from St Edmunds, Holme Pierrepont and several councillors confirmed they would be accepting.

The clerk tabled a CD recently received from the Environment Agency with the latest on the Flood Alleviation Scheme. The Chairman expressed some disappointment with the report and highlighted the fact that work would only start in 2006 at the earliest.

It was agreed to make a donation of £25 to Living Streets

3221. FINANCE

Accounts

Treasury	£1141.64
Business	£82,587.38

Cheques signed since last meeting

P J Runnegar (Newsletter distribution)	100599	£12.40
Central Networks (Electricity upgrade at VH)	100600	£75.00

Expenditure

<u>Payee</u>	Cheques for signing: Chq No.	Amount
Roger J Hawkins (Clerk salary 4 weeks)	100605	£458.11
Roger J Hawkins (Clerk expenses)	100606	£94.74
Cllr M Barr (WREN Application expenses)	100607	£4.05
Cllr J Mason (Member's Allowance)	100608	£200.00
Nottinghamshire CC (School chill-out room)	100609	£1000.00
Inland Revenue	100610	£132.79

(Tax & NI)		
Zurich Municipal	100611	£35.40
(Supplementary invoice)		
Rushcliffe BC	100612	£74.00
(Newsletter printing)		
Total		£1999.09

It was agreed Brian Duffin be awarded the grass cutting contract for the year.

The clerk confirmed that a cheque for £1000 had been raised for the school to move forward with their chill-out zone, a formal presentation of the cheque would be arranged for a later date.

3222. VILLAGE HALL

The clerk confirmed he had had correspondence with Nottingham City and spoken to the Chairman of the Village Hal Committee and it had been agreed that a market licence was not required for the village summer fete.

3223. ARTS IN THE PARISH

The clerk had produced a number of self-adhesive labels for the fliers for the travelling Trousers performance and agreed to print tickets. It was agreed to provide light refreshment on the evening.

3224. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

Cllr Tisbury gave a report on the various youth initiatives in the area including a proposed team shelter in the West Bridgford area being proposed by Anne-Marie Ainger, the proposal to appoint six youth workers and the idea of refurbishing a disused toilet building.

Cllr Kidger reported that she had had discussions with Mike Perston at Rushcliffe BC who had suggested a possible location for a team shelter near the supermarket, as this was outside the parish it was suggested the information should be passed to Anne-Marie. The council agreed to support these initiatives but asked the clerk to seek advice from NALC on what we had the power to do given the initiatives were outside the parish.

The clerk confirmed he had received a letter from Rushcliffe BC offering to sell the play area land on Ambleside for £1000, it was agreed to enter negotiations.

The Chairman reported that the Local Area Forum expected a report from the county in May and that there was obviously a possibility of working in partnership with other bodies.

Cllr Mason reported on a very successful meeting with representatives from various bodies including Rushcliffe BC, the police, housing associations, the school and councillors to discuss anti-social behaviour. Further meetings were scheduled and it was hoped to produce a special issue of the Newsletter, it was agreed to cover the costs of printing and distribution.

Cllr Kidger presented a report on progress with the Gamston Holiday Club, a number of volunteers had now come forward (and a meeting held for CRB checks) and a committee had been formed with joint chairman, a secretary and treasurer. It was proposed to employ a supervisor with the possibility of funding from the county. First aid training was being arranged. The proposed dates were 15 & 17th and 22 & 24th August for 5 to 11 year olds. The clerk reported he had had a telephone conversation with Carola Jones from Nottinghamshire RRC who had advised that funding was available for such activities.

The clerk reported he had received a letter from Rushcliffe BC advising that section 106 may be available to the Parish Council to help fund the play area project. The clerk was asked to respond.

Cllr. Tisbury left the meeting at 9:40 pm.

3225. VILLAGE HALL

Cllr. Mason advised the council that the school had a photocopier surplus to their requirements and it was agreed to see if it could be accommodated in the village hall for the use of the Parish Council, the Holiday Club and other users.

3226. RISK ANALYSIS

The Clerk requested amendments be made to the standing orders, namely the Annual meeting to start no earlier than 7:00 pm and the accounts be presented to council within two months

3227. CORRESPONDENCE

The clerk reported on a letter from Child Line asking for a donation; as the charity was not active in the parish it was agreed not to contribute.

The clerk asked for guidance on the hand out to be available at the Annual meeting to explain the changes in the council precept, it was reported that the recent issue of Rushcliffe Matters had an acceptable account.

3228. DATE OF NEXT MEETING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

It was agreed to hold an extra meeting to discuss planning matters on 25th April and the next Parish Council meeting would be on 9th May.

The meeting finished at 10:25 pm

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
HOLME PIERREPONT & GAMSTON
PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD ON MONDAY 25TH APRIL 2005 AT 7:30 PM
AT GAMSTON VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr. Frank Thomas - Chairman Cllr. M Barr Vice Chairman
 Cllr. M Bancroft Cllr. M C Clarke
 Cllr. Diane Kidger Cllr. John Harbury-Carlisle
 Cllr. John Mason Cllr. Melvyn Tisbury

In attendance R J Hawkins – Clerk 15 Local residents

The meeting was preceded by a discussion on the proposed development of 24 houses on the site of the mobile home park involving fourteen local residents

3229. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr C Stacey

3230. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 11th April 2005 were accepted and signed by the Chairman.

3231. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were made

3232. PLANNING

08/05 Bloom Developments: 24 two-bed houses, Mobile Home Park.

The Parish Council was well aware of the feelings of the community but also recognised that some of the issues raised were of a legal nature outside the powers of the Parish Council. It was agreed that as a priority it was important to insure the application went before the planning committee and was not determined by the officers. Accordingly it was agreed that Cllr Tisbury should write to Rushcliffe BC outlining our objections to the application.

It was suggested that the land had only recently been purchased from the County and it was agreed a check should be made at the land registry and Cllr Tisbury agreed to make enquiries.

09/05 Jason Timms; remove lime tree and prune beech. It was agreed to object on the grounds that the tree appeared healthy and was an important feature in the area.

10/05 Nottinghamshire CC, time extension to Gamston Depot: No objection

11/05 Colwick Waste Disposal extension of working hours.

This application was discussed at depth and it was agreed not to object but to ask for conditions to be attached to the consent if given to control noise nuisance.

12/05 Nottinghamshire CC; playing fields etc on Regatta Way: No objection

13/05 Drs MS & R Reddy; Ext & conservatory (Revised) 5 Ambleside, Gamston: No objection

3233. PLAY AREA

Cllrs Barr and Kidger introduced the WREN contract that had just been received and it was agreed the clerk should copy to all members and ask for comments, if none were received by 2nd May Cllr Kidger was authorised to sign and return to WREN. This action was necessary to meet the response deadline set by WREN. It was also agreed that a credit check should be made on the preferred supplier.

3234. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Confirmed as Monday 9th May 2005

The meeting finished at 9:30pm

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF
HOLME PIERREPONT & GAMSTON
PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD ON MONDAY 16TH MAY 2005 AT 6:30 PM
AT GAMSTON VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr. Frank Thomas - Chairman Cllr. Diane Kidger
 Cllr. John Harbury-Carlisle Cllr. John Mason
 Cllr. C Stacey Cllr. Melvyn Tisbury

In attendance R J Hawkins – Clerk

3235. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received and accepted from Cllrs Margaret Barr, M Bancroft, M C Clarke and Jane Mansell.

3236. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 25th April 2005 were accepted and signed by the Chairman.

Cllr Tisbury informed the meeting that a search of the land registry had not revealed anything of significance re the Mobile Home Park planning application

3237. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were made

3238. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Cllr FH Thomas was proposed as Chairman for the coming year by Cllr. M Tisbury and seconded by Cllr. John Harbury-Carlisle, there were no other nominations and the vote was unanimous

Cllr. Margaret Barr was proposed as vice chairman for the coming year by Cllr. Diane Kidger and seconded by Cllr. M Tisbury; there were no other nominations and the vote was unanimous.

Cllr. J Mason was confirmed as Planning Working Party Chairman.

3239. APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR

The clerk reported that an internal auditor was still to be appointed following the resignation of Ian Fraser. The clerk was given authority to approach potential auditors from the NALC approved list.

3240. PLANNING

It was agreed to defer discussion on planning applications until the meeting after the Annual Meeting in order to give residents an opportunity to discuss the proposals with the council.

3241. THE AMBLESIDE PLAY AREA PROJECT

Cllr Barr reported that a contract had been received from WREN and this was currently under review. It was further reported that successful credit checks had been undertaken on Clements Construction.

There was some discussion on the council's initiative to purchase the land on Ambleside, this was not proceeding as quickly as had been hoped and it was agreed to accept the WREN award and proceed with the project despite the land still being held under licence.

3242. FINANCE

The following cheques were approved and signed

Accounts

Treasury (3 rd May 2005)	£4066.47
Business (3 rd May 2005)	£97,749.82

Income

Rushcliffe BC	£20,000.00
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Expenditure

Payee

Cheques for signing:

Chq No.

Amount

Payee	Chq No.	Amount
Roger J Hawkins (Clerk salary 4 weeks)	100613	£553.38
Roger J Hawkins (Clerk expenses)	100614	£104.72
B Duffin (Grass cutting s137)	100615	£118.00
B Duffin (Grass cutting)	100616	£153.00
Status Enquiry Bureau (Play area project)	100617	£64.63
BT (Office telephone)	100618	£54.80
SLCC (Clerk's conference)	100619	£38.00
Musica Domino Dei (Arts subsidy)	100620	100.00
Total		£1186.53

Musica Domino Dei payment approved by Parish Council, see minute 3206

3243. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Confirmed as Monday 13th June

The meeting finished at 7:20pm

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
HOLME PIERREPONT & GAMSTON
PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD ON MONDAY 13TH JUNE 2005 AT 7:30 PM
AT GAMSTON VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr. Frank Thomas - Chairman Cllr M Barr Vice Chairman
 Cllr. Diane Kidger Cllr. John Harbury-Carlisle
 Cllr. John Mason Cllr. Melvyn Tisbury
 Cllr. C Stacey

In attendance R J Hawkins – Clerk Cllr. Kay Cutts Cllr.

3244. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received and accepted from Cllrs Clarke and Mansell

3245. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 9th May 2005 were amended in respect of minute 3241 to include “proceed with contract and purchase of land on Ambleside but review again before signing, replace Cllr Barr with Cllr Kidger”. The minutes were then approved and signed by the Chairman.

3246. CLERK’S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The clerk reported that the new Parish Council PC was fully up and running and all documents had been transferred and backed up. It was agreed that the old PC could be loaned to Cllr. Mason.

The clerk reported on a very successful social evening at St Edmunds to which a number of councillors attended and it was agreed that in future one Parish Council meeting per year should be held in Holme Pierrepont

3247. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were made

3248. PLANNING

Reference 14/05 & 15/05. Cllrs Thomas and Kidger declared a non prejudicial interest and withdrew from the meeting while the application to increase composting activity at Sherwood Farms was discussed. Cllr Tisbury took the chair and reported on an on-site visit with local residents he had attended.

Cllr K Cutts arrived at 8:05pm. It was agreed to object to the application and Cllr Tisbury agreed to draft a response to the County outlining our objections on the grounds of odour, impact on nearby residential properties and Nathans Lane and requesting further studies be undertaken.

Cllrs Thomas and Kidger rejoined the meeting.

Reference 16/05. The clerk reported that this proposed development represented a departure from the current local development plan. After some discussion it was agreed to object to this proposal on the grounds of inappropriate development in the green belt.

The clerk reported that he understood the planning application to develop the mobile home park had been withdrawn and the application to build the pavilion on the new playing grounds had been approved.

3249. FINANCE

The monthly Financial Statement was presented, this was approved and the cheques signed.

Accounts

Treasury (3 rd June 2005)	£3,487.21
Business (3 rd June 2005)	£132.62

Income

Interest	£160.21
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Cheques signed since last meeting

WREN (Ambleside Play area)	100621	£2750.00
Rhubarb Theatre (Performance)	100622	£280.00
J Mason (Refreshments)	100623	£7.29
R J Hawkins (Replacement cheque for 100613)	100624	£553.38
B Duffin (Grass cutting)	100625	£118.00

Expenditure

Payee	Chq No.	Amount
R J Hawkins (Salary)	100626	£458.11
R J Hawkins (Expenses)	100627	£43.93
Inland Revenue (Tax & NI)	100628	£117.60
B Duffin (s137)	100629	£236.00
B Duffin (Grass cutting)	100630	£156.00
Colwick Electrical (Electrical testing in VH)	100631	£128.08

Cheques for signing:

Total	£1139.64
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It was Resolved that, in pursuance of the powers conferred by s.137 of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) and being of the opinion that the expenditure satisfies the requirements of that section, the Council approves expenditure up to the sum of £1 150 in respect of grass cutting at St Edmunds, Holme Pierrepont.

It was RESOLVED that the Financial Regulations be amended to set the limit over which we tenders are required be increased to £2500

It was agreed to approve expenditure of legal fees in respect of the purchase of land on Ambleside. Costs for purchase of Ambleside

It was agreed to defer discussion on the purchase of new notice boards until the next meeting but in the meantime Cllr mason agreed to approach Morrisons to enquire if we could locate a notice board in the supermarket.

The clerk explained that the bank had lost the recently completed bank mandate and councillors were asked to sign a new mandate.

The clerk's salary was reviewed and it was agreed to increase the hourly rate in accordance with the nationally agreed pay scales for SPC18.

3250. VILLAGE HALL

It was reported that the door to the village hall store had been forced but nothing stolen

The clerk was asked to write to the village hall committee chair thanking her and her committee for all their hard work.

Cllr. Barr advised the council that WREN were promoting a special grants scheme for village halls up to the value of £250,000 but it was agreed a response by the due date was not possible.

Cllr Mason reported that the electrical work recently approved had been completed but in the course of this the electrician had identified further necessary work; the quote was approved and the Colwick Electrical instructed to proceed.

3251. GAMSTON HOLIDAY CLUB

Cllr Barr reported that the County had not been as helpful as originally promised and as a result Beccy Trease had resigned in frustration from being joint chair. Cllr Cutts offered to make enquiries on behalf of the Summer Club.

The results of a risk assessment undertaken by the County were discussed, some items had been resolved but others waited action.

3252. AMBLESIDE PLAY AREA

Cllr. Mason tabled the monthly inspection report.

Cllr Tisbury reported that Mr Perston was still unavailable but that he understood other officers would be dealing with the sale of land to the Parish Council. It was agreed to proceed with the purchase even though there was a narrow strip of land currently owned by Bovis that would not be included and we would have to negotiate for this at a later date. Clements Construction had not been officially informed of the latest developments but it was hoped a meeting to discuss contracts could be arranged soon.

3253. ROADS & TRANSPORT

Cllr Kidger reported seeing a number of pedestrians crossing the Lings Barr Road along the line of the canal and believed this was in part due to poor signage and no footpath to the Toucan Crossing. The clerk was asked to write to the Highways Agency.

Cllr Bancroft arrived at 9:35pm

3254. YOUTH PROGRAMME

There was a general discussion on matters relating to youth activities and a report on the recent anti-social behaviour meeting. Various initiatives are underway including discussions on a Teen shelter, activities at the rugby club and a regular event at Edwalton every Thursday. It was agreed that consultation with the youth of the area was vital and the Chairman reported that the Local Area Forum had been involved in a survey and a report was expected in September

3255. ARTS IN THE PARISH

The Chairman reported on a very successful performance of the Rhubarb Theatre and expressed a special thanks to Gill Lowe for all her help in selling tickets. The arts events were either breaking even financially or making a small loss but well within the budget, the council was very appreciative of the funding received from the Local Area Forum.

The Chairman announced that in conjunction with John Heard two more events had been provisionally booked for October and December

3256. RISK ANALYSIS

The Clerk reported there was nothing for consideration at this time

3257. DATE OF NEXT MEETING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Confirmed as 11th July 2005, possibly at St Edmunds.

The meeting finished at 10:15pm.

Ref 17/05, Dr. A Ravenscroft, change of use to day nursery at Tarkwa, Adbolton Lane. No objections

Ref 18/05, Mr & Mrs Archer, to build a conservatory at 20 Ashness Close. No objections.

It was agreed to defer a discussion on the following until a meeting called for the purpose on 25th July;

Ref 19/05, Mr Taylor construct dwelling at 4 Grange Farm, Main Street, Gamston

Ref 20/05 Mr Timms, construct wall 1.7m high, Manor Farm, Main St

Cllr Barrie Cooper left the meeting at 8:45pm

3263. FINANCE

The monthly Financial Statement was presented, this was approved and the cheques signed.

Accounts

Treasury (3 rd July 2005)	£4083.46
Business (3 rd July 2005)	£93099.63

Income

Interest	£189.60
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Expenditure

Payee

Cheques for signing:

Chq No. Amount

R J Hawkins (Salary)	1006	£506.64
R J Hawkins (Expenses)	1006	£81.51
B Duffin (s137)	1006	£236.00
B Duffin (Grass cutting)	1006	£236.00
Mr Runnegar (Newsletter distribution)	100	£67.60

The appointment of Mr P Runnegar as internal auditor was approved.

Approval of the accounts and completion of the Annual Return was deferred until the next meeting by which time the internal audit should have been completed.

Cllr Barr recommended a new notice board design to replace boards in poor condition and it was agreed to proceed with the purchase of 3 new notice boards.

3264. VILLAGE HALL

Cllr Mason reported on a recent Village Hall Committee meeting where there had been some discussion on the future direction of the hall and events. It had been agreed that a small working party should in future manage the events to avoid too much responsibility falling on one person.

The Summer Fete had realised a profit in the order of £500 despite poor weather and the clerk was asked to write to Sonia thanking her for all her efforts.

The electrician had worked on the hall all day and an inspection to check systems and quality would follow.

It was also agreed that a study should be undertaken of a possible replacement for the hall.

3265. GAMSTON SUMMER SCHOOL

The bank account for the Summer Club is open and a grant for £150 has been received but the main grant from Nottinghamshire CC has not been received and consequently equipment cannot be purchased. A supervisor has been appointed and two training sessions held for volunteers. The theme of the Summer Club will be circus and puppets. Applications are being received slowly and Cllr Kidger recommended that next year the booking form be issued as a separate flyer

3266. AMBLESIDE PLAY AREA

Cllr Tisbury reported that the process of purchasing the land from Rushcliffe BC was going very slow and doubted if this would be completed within 3 months. Cllr Tisbury was given authority to proceed with searches etc at the appropriate time. It was agreed both WREN and Clements Construction should be informed.

Cllr Mason informed council that he continued to collect rubbish from the site but in recent weeks the amount collected had reduced and he believed this to be as a result of the recent pruning of trees.

Cllr Mason tabled the monthly inspection sheet.

3267. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

The clerk reminded council that the Freedom of Information Act was now fully in force and asked that the publication scheme of the council be revised. It was agreed that only the core items and major projects should be included in the scheme.

3268. RISK ANALYSIS

The Clerk reported there was nothing for consideration at this time

3269. DATE OF NEXT MEETING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting finished at 10:30pm

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
HOLME PIERREPONT & GAMSTON
PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD ON MONDAY 25TH JULY AT 7:30 PM
AT GAMSTON VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr. Frank Thomas - Chairman Cllr M Barr Vice Chairman
 Cllr. M Bancroft M C Clarke
 Cllr. John Harbury-Carlisle Cllr. John Mason
 Cllr. Melvyn Tisbury

In attendance (Minutes taken by Cllr J Mason)

3270. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Cynthia Stacey

3271. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were made

3272. PLANNING

Ref 19/05, 4 Grange Farm, Main Street, Gamston

The current planning documents were examined together with documents from the previous application. It was noted that while the application was for two bedrooms the plans only showed one, in other respects the same comments applied to this application as the previous application to which the council had objected, namely, development outside the building line and inappropriate access. It is also understood that a covenant exists on part of the land.

It was agreed to object to the application and Cllr Tisbury was instructed to write to Rushcliffe BC

Ref20/05, Manor Farm, Main Street, Gamston, construct wall 1.7m high.

It was agreed not to object but to recommend the wall be “broken up2 with pillars and/or decoration and recycled bricks used.

The meeting finished at 8:45pm

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
HOLME PIERREPONT & GAMSTON
PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD ON MONDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2005 AT 7:30 PM
AT ST EDMUNDS, HOLME PIERREPONT**

Present: Cllr. Frank Thomas - Chairman
Cllr. Mark Bancroft
Cllr. Diane Kidger
Cllr. John Mason
Cllr. Melvyn Tisbury
Cllr. Malcolm C Clarke
Cllr. John Harbury-Carlisle
Cllr. Jane Mansell
Cllr. Cynthia Stacey

In attendance R J Hawkins – Clerk
Eight local residents from Gamston
Cllr. Kay Cutts

The meeting was preceded by an open discussion on all aspects of the recently submitted outline planning application to develop the mobile home park. It was agreed to call a meeting of the planning committee on Thursday 22nd September to consider the application in detail and draw up a response to Rushcliffe BC. The Parish Council advised the Residents Association to seek legal advice as the best argument to the application may be legal rather than on planning matters.

The Parish Council meeting started at 8:25pm with the Chairman thanking the Church Warden for allowing the meeting to take place in the church

3273. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Margaret Barr - Vice Chairman.

3274. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The minutes of the meeting held on 11th and 25th July were approved and signed by the Chairman.

3275. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were made

3276. CLERK'S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The clerk reported that Rushcliffe BC had announced the details of the annual Tree Planting Scheme and asked for suggestions. It was agreed to discuss possible schemes with John Heard; Cllr Mason would draw up a suggested scheme for Ambleside and two trees would be requested to replace dead trees on the village green.

The County Council had completed their traffic survey on Ambleside and confirmed that an interactive sign warning speeding traffic would possible and that this would be included in the budget for 2006-07.

3277. PLANNING

21/05 Application by Bovis to undertake tree works at the rear of Antara. Cllr Harbury Carlisle explained that in his opinion the development had been allowed too close to the trees and it was inevitable that there would be problems. Now that the construction was completed the branches of the trees were against the building and there was little option but to cut back. It was felt there were lessons to be learnt for the future.

22/05 Application by Mr Pritchett for an extension to workshops at Springfields; it was agreed to object on the grounds of inappropriate development within the green belt

23/05 Application by Mr & Mrs Walker to construct an extension to 30 Ashness Close; no objections

24/05 Wm Morrison application to erect three flag poles; no objections

Mobile Home Park Outline Planning Application; discussion deferred until 22nd September

3278. FINANCE

The clerk confirmed that the Grass Cutting Contract was due for renewal next year. It was agreed that if Mr Duffin increased his costs by the rpi or less that the contract be awarded to him. The Chairman wished to thank Mr Duffin for his excellent work particularly at St Edmunds.

The clerk explained that he had had a discussion with Southwell Education Board and was now satisfied that the final payment for the Holme Pierrepont Gamston School Project was valid and recommended payment in full. This was agreed.

The clerk reported that after some discussion with Mr Runnegar it had been agreed he would not act as Internal Auditor. The Chairman proposed an alternative and the Clerk agreed to follow up.

Financial Summary

Current Acc	£2335.00 (3 rd August)
Deposit Acc	£93,280.34 (3 rd August)

Expenditure		
Chq	Payee	Amount
644	RJ Hawkins	993.20
645	RJ Hawkins	103.40
646	IR	195.66
647	B Duffin	236.00 s137
648	B Duffin	50.00
648	B Duffin	28.00
647	B Duffin	118.00 s137
648	B Duffin	56.00
648	B Duffin	100.00
649	CPRE	25.00

3279. VILLAGE HALL

Cllr Mason explained that the owner of a shop selling children's clothes routinely hired the hall for a sale and asked if a market licence was required. The Clerk agreed to investigate.

3280. GAMSTON SUMMER CLUB

Cllr Kidger reported on a very successful Summer Club despite poor support at times from various agencies that had originally promised so much. Final costings were not yet available and the true financial position was unknown but it was certainly the intention at present to run the club again

3281. PLAY AREA

The negotiations to purchase the land at Ambleside were very slow but the proposed sale of the land by Rushcliffe BC had been advertised in the local press and a draft contract had been received. Unfortunately with the delay the costs had risen and Clements Construction had advised of a 5% increase on some equipment. Cllr Kidger explained that WREN would have to be advised on the increase and that we should look for additional funding to make up the shortfall. The clerk reminded the council of the outstanding section 106 money that though originally intended for a phase two project may be available.

It was agreed that the Clerk had authority to raise a cheque before the next meeting if required for the purchase of the land and that Cllr Tisbury had authority to complete the negotiations and sign the contract on behalf of the Parish Council.

Cllr Mason tabled the play area inspection report and explained that some items of equipment required attention and the Chairman agreed to investigate.

3282. ARTS IN THE PARISH

The Chairman announced two performances, the first on 6th October called "Not Now Bernard" and the second on 8th December called "Christmas Revels", both to be held at the School. It was agreed to hold the ticket prices at the same as last year, namely £2 for adults and 50p for children

3283. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE CC BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES

The Chairman briefly explained this initiative and suggested the Parish Council makes an application for a scheme based on providing better access for walkers to Bassingfield Lane and agreed to make an application. Cllr Cutts reminded the council that any application had to be endorsed by her but that she supported such an application.

Cllr Cutts left the meeting

3284. RISK ANALYSIS

The Clerk reported on a discussion with the bank who had suggested moving accounts to obtain more flexibility with managing the reserves and receiving a better rate of interest. It was agreed that switching to a notice bond account to replace the current deposit account should be discussed at the next meeting but that the clerk could switch the current account immediately to a Money Manager account

3285. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

Deferred until next meeting

3286. DATE OF NEXT MEETING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Next meeting confirmed as Monday 10th October 2005.

The following were confirmed as meeting dates for 2006

16th January 2006, 13th February, 13th March, 10th April, 8th May and 12th June

The meeting finished at 10:40pm

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
HOLME PIERREPONT & GAMSTON
PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD ON MONDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 2005 AT 7:00 PM AT THE MOBILE HOME
PARK AND AT 7:30 PM AT GAMSTON VILLAGE HALL**

The meeting was preceded by a site visit to the Mobile Home Park on Bassingfield Lane, Gamston when several residents joined members to view the site.

Present: Cllr. Frank Thomas – Chairman
Cllr. John Mason Cllr. Melvyn Tisbury

3287. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received and accepted from Cllrs. M Bancroft, M C Clarke, Diane Kidger, Jane Mansell and Cynthia Stacey

The meeting was declared inquorate with only three members present and an informal open meeting followed.

3291. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were made

Cllr Kay Cutts arrived.

3292. PLANNING

The following applications were considered.

25/05 Mobile Home Planning Application. The actions of Cllr. Tisbury in drafting a letter to Rushcliffe BC and objecting to the outline planning permission and the Chairman in writing a personal letter to Rushcliffe BC highlighting the moral issues raised by the application were endorsed. Further discussion was deferred until later in the meeting when the Ward councillors should be present.

26/05 Miss RA Thurman & Mrs GA Robinson, application for first floor extension to Adbolton Day Nursery. No objections.

Cllr. Cllr. Diane Kidger declared a personal interest in the following and took no part in the discussion.

27/05 Mr & Mrs I Potts, application for single storey extension to side and rear at 7 Derwent Close. No objections.

28/05 Christmas Company. It was noted that the residents of Holme Pierrepont were concerned about noise pollution and council also had concerns, while not objecting it was agreed to ask for a noise order to be attached if consent was granted.

29/05 Mr & Mrs Hall, application for single storey rear extension. No objections

To receive Planning Decisions.

The clerk confirmed that permission had been granted to

The clerk confirmed that permission had been granted to, this appeared to be a personal permission and it was agreed Cllr Tisbury should draft a letter to Rushcliffe BC asking for clarification on this consent, especially as the previous application for a similar development had been refused.

Cllr. Harbury-Carlisle informed council that the show house was open on the Weavers site and it may be time to submit a section 106 application for funding for phase 2 of the Play Area.

Cllrs. Cooper and Hemsley arrived.

3293. FINANCE

The monthly Financial Statement was presented, this was approved and the cheques signed.

651	RJ Hawkins	476.59	
652	RJ Hawkins	59.12	
653	IR	22.78	
654	B Duffin	118.00	s137
655	B Duffin	50.00	
655	B Duffin	28.00	
656	Mrs J Munns	6.00	
657	New Perspective Theatre	264.38	

The clerk reported that he was awaiting an appointment with HSBC to discuss changing bank accounts. It was agreed Cllr. Barr should also attend. It was agreed the clerk could raise a cheque for solicitor's fees for approximately £800 on instructions from Cllr. Tisbury.

3294. VILLAGE HALL

There was some discussion on the question of whether restrictions should be placed on the uses to which the hall could be put and by whom. Cllr Barr believed the hall should be run on a strict commercial basis to maximise income.

It was agreed that the hall should only be used for private functions and not commercial activities except when special arrangements were approved by the Parish Council.

3295. SMALL ENVIRONMENTAL SCHEMES

The clerk tabled a scheme designed by Rushcliffe BC to construct a footpath from the highway to the Play Area. Unfortunately this took no account of the proposed new play area and it was agreed Cllrs. Barr and Kidger should discuss the scheme with Mr Luxon and make the necessary changes.

Cllr. Tisbury reported that contracts had been exchanged today for the purchase of the Ambleside land and completion scheduled for 17th October.

Discussion on the Village Green scheme was deferred until next meeting

3296. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE CC INITIATIVE – BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES

The Chairman informed council that he had submitted an application to Nottinghamshire CC in order to meet the deadline but there was some opposition to the submission, as the council had not formally agreed it. It was agreed to discuss the project to improve Bassingfield Lane and provide better access to the countryside at a special meeting.

Cllr Kay Cutts left the meeting.

3297. PLANNING

The discussion on the Mobile Home Park application continued. Cllr Hemsley reported he had no objections to the outline application but Cllr Cooper had objected and it was envisaged the application would go to committee on Thursday 10th November

Cllr Tisbury left the meeting at 10:15 pm.

Cllr Bancroft left the meeting at 10:30 pm.

3298. PLAY AREA

Cllr Kidger explained that while there was a possibility that funding from Rushcliffe BC may be available to fund the 5% increase in costs this would mean a further delay in signing contracts until after 6th January; this delay could complicate the WREN award and may even incur further costs increases. It was **AGREED** the Parish Council would fund the increase from reserves and a meeting would be arranged with the preferred supplier to finalise contract details.

Cllr. Mason tabled the Play Area inspection report. Discussion on remedial work necessary was deferred until the next meeting.

3299. ARTS PERFORMANCE

The Chairman reported on another successful event. Not Now Bernard was well attended and the event broke even. Cllr Barr thanked everyone for their efforts in organising these events.

3300. RISK ANALYSIS

This item was deferred until next meeting

3301. DATE OF NEXT MEETING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

A special meeting was confirmed for Tuesday 22nd October to discuss the Building Better Communities initiative and the next full council meeting on 11th November.

The meeting finished at 10:40 pm

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
HOLME PIERREPONT & GAMSTON
PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD ON TUESDAY 25TH OCTOBER
AT 7:30 PM AT GAMSTON VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr. Frank Thomas - Chairman Cllr Margaret Barr Vice Chairman
 Cllr M C Clarke Cllr. Diane Kidger
 Cllr. J Mason Cllr. M Tisbury
 Cllr Cynthia Stacey

In attendance R J Hawkins – Clerk

3302. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received and accepted from Cllrs. M Bancroft, J Harbury-Carlisle and Jane Mansell

3303. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The minutes of the meeting held on 22nd September were approved. It was agreed to defer matters arising until the November meeting of the Parish Council.

Cllr M Tisbury reported that the purchase of the land on Ambleside had been completed. Cllr. Diane Kidger proposed a vote of thanks for all Melvyn’s hard work in negotiating the purchase, this was carried unanimously.

Cllr J Mason reported that the recent meeting called by the police to discuss setting up a local forum group had been very poorly attended.

A meeting had been held with Mike Luxon from Rushcliffe BC to discuss the Small Environmental Scheme and a revised scheme was expected shortly. It was anticipated that some work would be necessary in the Play Area to remove unwanted self seeded plants and trees and the planting of bulbs, this was approved. Cllr. Diane Kidger also reported that Capital One, Experian and Boots all ran volunteer help schemes and it was hoped some help would be possible in the future. A meeting had been held with Clements Construction to discuss the contract and Health & Safety issues and a further meeting planned for 14th November.

3304. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were made

3305. PLANNING

30/05 Licence for a mobile snack bar on the Lings Bar Road. No objection

It was believed the Outline Application on the Mobile Home Park would go to committee

3306. FINANCE

The following cheques were approved and signed

658	Berrymaan Shacklock	£800.00
659	Viking	£119.79
660	NALC	£12.50
661	BT	£55.78

3307. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE CC INITIATIVE – BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES

There was a wide-ranging discussion on the application made by the Chairman. It was unfortunate that the application had had to be submitted to the county without full approval by the Parish Council in order to meet a response deadline. It was agreed that the Chairman and the clerk should redraft the application and circulate to all members before the next meeting on 14th November.

The Chairman confirmed that cost estimates had been derived with the help of a former highway engineer.

Cllr Tisbury left at 9:00pm and the clerk left at 9:10pm

3308. DATE OF NEXT MEETING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

14th November 2005

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
HOLME PIERREPONT & GAMSTON
PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD ON MONDAY 14TH NOVEMBER 2005 AT 7:30 PM
AT GAMSTON VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr. Frank Thomas - Chairman Cllr Margaret Barr Vice Chairman
 Cllr. Mark Bancroft Cllr Malcolm C Clarke
 Cllr. John Harbury-Carlisle Cllr. John Mason
 Cllr. Jane Mansell Cllr. Melvyn Tisbury

In attendance R J Hawkins – Clerk
 Cllrs. Kay Cutts and Barrie Cooper

The meeting was preceded by a presentation by Mr Ray Wallis for thanked the Parish Council for their support in the matter of the Outline Planning Application to develop the Mobile Home Park.

3309. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received and accepted from Cllrs. Diane Kidger and Cynthia Stacey

3310. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 10th October 2005 were accepted and signed by the Chairman.

Cllr Tisbury commented that he did not believe the response from Rushcliffe BC explaining why Mr Pritchett had been given a “personal” planning permission to extend his workshop on the A52 had been very helpful and it was agreed Cllr Tisbury should follow up with the planning officer.

In response to a question from Cllr Barr asking if the clerk had met with HSBC to discuss changing accounts, the clerk responded that he had requested an appointment but this had yet to be setup.

Cllr Bancroft reported that a youth club, known as Extreme, had been setup on Welling Lane and this was proving very popular.

Cllr Bancroft also reported that he had spoken with Insp. Mark Milton about Speed Watch and the training of volunteers to use speed-monitoring devices would take place at a date to be confirmed. Insp. Milton was very pleased with the support received for this scheme and was taking a personal interest. It was suggested insurance could be an issue and the Clerk was asked to talk to Zurich while Cllr Bancroft would talk to the police.

The School Travel Plan had been agreed and some actions already taken including new road markings and security fencing.

3311. CLERK’S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The clerk reported that three volumes of minutes, namely 1982-89, 1990-96, and 1996-99, had been lodged with the County Archive; Nottingham.

The clerk reported on a meeting held with the Scarman Trust. The Chairman outlined the objectives of the trust and suggested a workshop to be held in November and December could be beneficial. It was agreed the Chairman and Cllr Barr should attend.

The purchase of a litterbin for Holme Pierrepont at approximately £65 was approved.

3312. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were made

3313. FINANCE

The monthly Financial Statement was presented, this was approved and the cheques signed.

662	RJ Hawkins	464.99	Admin
663	RJ Hawkins	74.27	Admin
664	IR	34.38	Admin
665	B Duffin	50.00	Mowing
666	B Duffin	35.00	Mowing
667	RJ Hawkins	23.50	Admin
Bank Account Balances			
	Current Account	£2249.90	
	Deposit Account	£108,807.73	

The clerk reported that Mr Duffin had quoted for the mowing contract in 2006; costs had risen slightly to, St Edmunds £120, Ambleside £50, Gamston Village Hall £30 and hedge cutting £11 per hour but overall less than RPI and it was agreed he should be awarded the contract.

It was agreed to make a donation of £100 to Musica Donum Dei to support their Christmas event at Holme Pierrepont Hall on 11th December.

The clerk asked for guidance on the budget for 2006-07 and it was agreed the clerk should prepare a preliminary budget for the next meeting based on an increase of 2.5%.

3314. PLANNING

Ref 31/05; application by Mr Blott to retain a mobile home at Blotts Country Club. No objections.

The Clerk reported that permission had been granted to Mr & Mrs Potts for development at 7 Derwent Close.

The Chairman reported that he and other councillors had attended the recent Development Control Committee meeting at Rushcliffe BC when the Outline Planning Application to develop the Mobile Home Park was discussed. After an hours debate the application was refused by 17 to 6 votes essentially on the grounds of the impact on the character of the surrounding area. It is thought likely the applicants will appeal.

There was some disquiet expressed about the way the application had been handled by Rushcliffe BC and it was agreed the Chairman and Cllr Tisbury should draft a letter to the Chief Executive.

A local resident arrived at 20:15 and the Chairman invited him to address the council on the matter of the Mobile Home Outline Planning Application.

Cllr. Tisbury thanked Cllr Barrie Cooper for his support without which the application would not have been brought before the Committee.

It was noted that the show house was now open on the Weavers Development and we should consider an application for the section 106 money.

Cllrs Bancroft and Cooper left the meeting at 22:15

3315. VILLAGE HALL

Cllr K Cutts left the meeting at 21:15

Cllr Mason reported that at the AGM of the Village Hall Committee it was agreed that the hall was becoming more and more expensive to maintain and that it seemed appropriate to investigate the possibility of building a new hall. It was agreed to setup a working party to look at options and the Chairman together with Cllrs Clarke and Tisbury volunteered to join and additional members would be sought from the Village Hall Committee.

It was agreed to ask Mr B Duffin to quote for work on the village green and to liaise with Cllr Barr for a site meeting.

There was a general discussion on the Village Hall Constitution

3316. SMALL ENVIRONMENTAL SCHEMES

It was agreed to ask Mr B Duffin to quote for work on the village green and to liaise with Cllr Barr for a site meeting.

Cllr Barr reported that the revised scheme was still awaited from Rushcliffe BC for the Ambleside Play Area

3317. PLAY AREA

Project Update, the clerk was asked to write to WREN confirming the Parish Council would make good the shortfall in funds arising out of the delay to purchase the land on Ambleside from Rushcliffe BC

There was a discussion on whether to tarmac the areas not covered by wet pour

Cllr. Tisbury suggested a financial report on the various expenditure approvals given for the Play Area Project and Cllr Barr agreed to present this at the next meeting.

Cllr Mason tabled the monthly inspection report.

3318. ARTS IN THE PARISH

The Chairman reported on a very successful presentation of Not Now Bernard at the School and announced there would be a production of Festive Frolics on 8th December. Cllr Tisbury asked for a financial statement to be available at the next meeting. This was agreed.

3319. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE CC INITIATIVE – BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES

There was a discussion on the paper previously circulated and the comments made were accepted and the clerk was asked to make the amendment and resubmit the application, in the first instance to Cllr Cutts.

3320. CORRESPONDENCE

The clerk tabled the Gedling BC Statement of Community Involvement, after a brief discussion it was agreed the clerk should forward copies to the Chairman and Cllr Tisbury and respond to Gedling BC with comments.

3321. DATE OF NEXT MEETING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 12th December

The meeting finished at 10:30pm

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

HELD ON MONDAY 12TH DECEMBER AT 7:30 PM
AT GAMSTON VILLAGE HALL

Present: Cllr. Frank Thomas - Chairman Cllr M Barr Vice Chairman
Cllr. Malcolm C Clarke Cllr. Diane Kidger
Cllr. John Harbury-Carlisle Cllr. John Mason
Cllr. Jane Mansell Cllr. Cynthia Stacey

In attendance R J Hawkins – Clerk
Cllrs. Barrie Cooper Cllr M Hemsley

3322. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received and accepted from and Cllr. M Bancroft and Cllr. Melvyn Tisbury.

Mr Ray Wallis also offered apologies.

3323. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

Cllr. Mason asked that his name be added to the Village Hall Working Party investigating the possibility of rebuilding the hall

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th November 2005 were accepted and signed by the Chairman.

3324. CLERK'S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS

It was agreed that the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council should take place on Monday 15th May 2006 at 6:30pm followed at 7:30pm by the Annual Parish Meeting

ODPM Workshop; it was agreed the clerk should write to the ODPM and offer a meeting venue in the parish for a road show.

Scarman Trust; Cllr. Barr reported that the workshop had been very worthwhile and although there were perhaps no immediate projects the Trust did offer on going support and there may be partnership opportunities in the future. The Chairman agreed and said he had also found the workshop useful. The Trust also has a very informative web site at www.scarmantrust.org

The clerk tabled a document from Nottinghamshire CC Transport Access to All (TATA), Cllr Mason agreed to read the document and report back to council at a later date.

3325. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were made

3326. PLANNING

The clerk announced that the application by WM Morrison to retain two banners at the supermarket had been refused by Rushcliffe BC

Application to at 76 Elterwater, no objections.

3327. FINANCE

The monthly Financial Statement was presented, this was approved and the following cheques signed

668	RJ Hawkins	£470.79	Salary
669	RJ Hawkins	£67.10	Expenses
670	Inland Revenue	£28.59	PAYE & NI
671	SLCC	£44.00	SLCC subscription
672	Grand Theatre of the Lemmings	£250.00	Arts Performance
673	Musica Donum Dei	£100.00	Music Performance

A discussion on the draft budget for 2006-07 was postponed until the end of the meeting.

3328. VILLAGE HALL

Cllr Mike Hemsley arrived at 8:20pm. The Chairman invited Cllr Hemsley to address the council on some planning issues; firstly he now had a copy of the rules and regulations affecting advertising, and secondly he had no objections to the development on Elterwater Drive. The application for a mobile home at Blotts had not yet been determined. Cllr Stacey asked if the application to extend waste processing at Colwick had been determined, the clerk replied that a decision was imminent but it did appear that it would be granted.

Cllr. Mason said there was nothing to report this month and the clerk confirmed that a statement of accounts for 2004-05 had been received.

It was agreed to invite Samantha Smith from Nottinghamshire Rural Community Council and who has special responsibility for village halls in the county to the February meeting and that before that meeting the working party would hold a meeting of their own.

3329. RIGHTS OF WAY CONFERENCE

The Chairman reported on a conference recently attended. One of the main speakers was a civil servant whose task it was to identify "lost" rights of way. The project was only in the early stages but local assistance would be sought if lost rights of way were identified.

3330. STRATEGY FOR EXTENDING SERVICES IN AND AROUND SCHOOLS

The clerk presented this document produced by Nottinghamshire CC that was essentially part of the government's initiative "every child matters." Cllr Mansell agreed to study the document and respond to the questionnaire accordingly.

3331. SMALL ENVIRONMENTAL SCHEMES

A revised scheme was still awaited from Rushcliffe BC for the Ambleside Play Area.

Mr Duffin had not contacted Cllr Barr to discuss the project at the Village Green and the clerk was asked to determine if Mr Duffin wished to quote or not.

3332. PLAY AREA PROGRESS REPORT

Cllrs Barr and Kidger proposed that the areas between the play equipment, which were originally to be left as grassed over areas, should be covered with tarmac, this was agreed. Three quotes had been received and it was agreed to accept City Asphalt's quote of £4000.

It was further explained that the work should start early January but that the contract required minor changes to take into account the need to dig out additional areas to be covered with tarmac. This would incur additional charges but there would be some savings as the path would no longer be required. It was agreed Cllrs Barr and Kidger could make these changes, agree a revised cost and sign the contract on behalf of the Parish Council.

The site would be secured by fencing and appropriate notices would be posted with Health & safety information and contact details in case of on-site problems.

Cllr Barr proposed that a dog waste bin be installed on the perimeter of the play area at a cost of £215 including installation. This was agreed. Rushcliffe BC would empty the bin as required, current charge is £2.76. This was agreed

3333. ARTS PERFORMANCE

Cllr Barrie Cooper arrived at 9:30pm

The Chairman reported on a very successful performance of Festive Frolics by the Grand Theatre of the Lemmings at the school. Attendance had been very good and the audience very appreciative. Cllr Barr thanked everyone involved in organising these performances for their hard work, especially the school secretary. Cllr Stacey believed these events were very important because they enabled some children the opportunity to experience theatre who would not otherwise do so.

The clerk briefly presented a financial statement on all the performances which showed that over the years these events more or less broke even. The Chairman confirmed that he hoped a grant would be forthcoming from LAF to offset some of the costs incurred.

The Chairman and Cllr Stacey also reported on a very successful and enjoyable performance of baroque music by Musica Donum Dei at Holme Pierrepont Hall

3334. YOUTH PROGRAMME

The clerk informed council that Cllr Tisbury had withdrawn from the youth committee.

3335. ARTS IN THE PARISH

The Chairman reported on a very successful performance of Festive Frolics by the Grand Theatre of Lemmings; this had been very well attended and well received.

Cllrs. Mansell and Kidger left the meeting at 10:00pm

3336. FINANCE

It was agreed to purchase four notice boards at a cost of £2000 through Nottinghamshire CC to replace two vandalised boards and two new boards needed in the play area. One board would be 50% subsidised by the County. There was some discussion on the most appropriate location for the notice board outside the school and it was agreed to discuss options with the headmaster.

The clerk tabled a summary of expenditure to date and believed this to be an record to the end of 2005 with a forecast to the end of the financial year. This was approved. It was agreed that the budget for 2006-07 should increase by a maximum of 2.5% if necessary and the clerk agreed to issue a revised draft budget before the next meeting.

3337. DATE OF NEXT MEETING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Cllr Cooper informed members that the Local Area Forum was sponsoring a meeting at County Hall on flood issues on Thursday 12th January at 7:00pm. This would be an open meeting and representatives from the Environment Agency would be present.

The clerk reminded members that a copy of the Grantham Canal Restoration Society's lottery bid had been received and would be available for inspection after the meeting.

The next meeting of the Parish Council would be on Monday 16th January 2006.

The meeting finished at 10:35pm