

**Minutes of the meeting of Holme Pierrepont & Gamston Parish Council held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2010 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, Old Tollerton Lane.**

**Present:** Councillors Diane Kidger (Chairman), Mark Bancroft, Michael Barker, John Harbury-Carlisle, John Mason (Vice Chairman), Frank Thomas (Hon Vice-Chairman) and Melvyn Tisbury.

**In attendance** R J Hawkins – Clerk, Cllr. Kay Cutts (Nottinghamshire CC) & Cllrs. Cooper & Hemsley (Rushcliffe BC), Simon Robinson (resident)

**3763. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Clarke and Stacey both unwell and the council wished them a speedy recovery.

The Chairman welcomed Simon Robinson to the meeting.

**3764. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 11th December 2009 were approved and signed by the Chairman

**3765. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None were given

**3766. ORDER OF BUSINESS**

It was agreed to keep to the order on the agenda

**3767. COUNTY REPORT**

Cllr Cutts reported that the County had continued with gritting the major roads throughout the period of bad weather and stocks remained adequate with further deliveries expected soon. The hot meals service had continued throughout, in some cases with the assistance of the Scouts, St Johns and Red Cross. Interestingly more complaints had been received from residents in urban areas than in the rural areas. There had been some cases reported of theft from roadside grit bins.

The Budget 2010-11 consultation ends on 22<sup>nd</sup> January. It had been decided to withdraw some funding from the LAF's but County Councillors would have an EDI allowance of £10,000.

**3768. DISTRICT REPORT**

Cllr Cooper reported that the LDF had been the main item for the Borough Council and the report of the committee would be presented to the Cabinet on the 12<sup>th</sup> January. The areas of Gamston east and Clifton South had both been included in the report reluctantly the Borough's policy of objecting to large scale development in the green belt still held good.

It was also reported that the car park outside the Community Hall was to be re shaped and additional car parking spaces created. The clerk reported that he too had received the same letter and commented that it would have been helpful if the Borough had consulted with the parish council at the planning stage of this project. Cllr Hemsley confirmed that he had not always been kept fully informed on the project and had raised some questions on the design, especially concerning dropped kerbs.

Cllr Hemsley also reported that he was making some progress on the Climate Change policy for the Borough.

**3769. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Update on World Cup Bid Petition & Online Consultation. The Chairman reported that a letter had been sent to all Borough councillors outlining the parish council's policy on development within the green belt and asking for their support. The Chairman invited Mr Robinson to comment on the activities of Rushcliffe Greenfields who reported that a press release had been sent to all the local media.

Cllr Cooper confirmed that it was his understanding that a public consultation on the Aligned Core Strategy would start towards the end of January and last for eight weeks. It was important that as many residents as possible participated in this consultation and asked the parish council to be pro active.

It was agreed that at the appropriate time the Parish Council should call a public meeting and a newsletter would be produced outlining the main points of the Core Strategy.

It was proposed and agreed to create a Working Party for the duration of the Core Aligned Strategy process ie probably until mid 2011 to monitor the process and report to the Parish Council. Membership to comprise the Chairman and Hon Vice Chairman, Cllr Tisbury and the clerk agreed to assist as required, with the power to invite non-members of the council to join. Mr Robinson agreed to join. A spending limit of £100 without reference to the council was agreed but to be spent in consultation with the clerk. The terms of reference to be agreed but the arrangements and timing of the public meeting to be the responsibility of the working party.

Cllr Tisbury asked if any feedback from the Big Picture Consultation had been received, there had been none but it was possible that the consultation period had not ended.

It was proposed and agreed that the 4<sup>th</sup> March appeared to be the most appropriate date to present the petition to the Borough though this could change.

**3770. COUNCILLOR REPORTS ON LIAISON RESPONSIBILITIES**

In the absence of Cllr Stacey the clerk reported that the next performance would be the Peach Boy on Thursday evening.

**3771. VILLAGE HALL**

The clerk reported that he had contacted the BBC team at Nottinghamshire CC and there was a possibility that they could provide programme management expertise.

**3772. CRIME & DISORDER**

The monthly crime report previously circulated showed reasonably static statistics. It was confirmed that PC Leek would attend the next meeting.

The clerk was asked to send an email to residents advertising the forthcoming LAG meeting.

**3773. FINANCE**

The Financial Statement was approved & cheques signed.

There was a discussion on the draft budget 2010-11 and following a minor change it was proposed to approve by Cllr Mason and seconded by Cllr Harbury-Carlisle and agreed.

It was proposed and agreed to approve the precept 2010-11 of £42,755, a small reduction compared to this year.

**3774. PLAY PARK**

There was no inspection report due to holidays.

**3775. CLERK'S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

It was noted that the management at the Greenacres Mobile Home Park were not enthusiastic about having a notice board on their property.

Acknowledgement of the Parish Council's interest in adopting the red telephone box had been received from BT

It was agreed to place another advert for help with producing the Newsletter

**3776. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION, CORRESPONDENCE & NEWSLETTER**

The following items of correspondence were noted: Nottingham Forest Supporters Club, list of local branches; Nottinghamshire CC, Monthly Planning & Landscape and Travel & Transport; Rushcliffe BC, various agenda and minutes, Affordable Housing in Rural Communities A Guide for Parish Councils, Gambling Policy, Housing Strategy, Sustainable Community Strategy, Aligned Core Strategy, Gamston Community Centre Car Park; SLCC Training Programme.

**3777. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**

To be confirmed, 8th February 2010

The meeting closed at 9.50 pm

**Minutes of the meeting of Holme Pierrepont & Gamston Parish Council held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2010 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, Old Tollerton Lane.**

**Present:** Councillors Diane Kidger (Chairman), Mark Bancroft, Michael Barker, John Harbury-Carlisle, John Mason (Vice Chairman), Frank Thomas (Hon Vice-Chairman), Melvyn Tisbury and Cynthia Stacey.

**In attendance** R J Hawkins –Cllr M Hemsley (Rushcliffe BC), Simon Robinson (resident)

**3778. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies were noted from Cllr. Clarke. Cllr. Barrie Cooper (Nottinghamshire CC) also sent apologies together with PC Steve Leek.

**3779. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 11th January 2010 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**3780. ORDER OF BUSINESS**

It was agreed to bring forward the co option item and defer the District Report until later in the meeting.

**3781. CO OPTION TO PARISH COUNCIL**

It was proposed and agreed to co opt Simon Robinson as a Member of the Parish Council to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Margaret Barr last year.

The Chairman welcomed Simon Robinson to the parish council.

**3782. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Chairman, Hon Vice Chairman and S Robinson all declared a personal interest in that they were all members of Rushcliffe Greenfields

The Chairman declared a personal interest in being a volunteer reader at Pierrepont Gamston School.

The Vice Chairman declared a personal interest in being a member of the Friends of Pierrepont Gamston School.

**3783. COUNTY REPORT**

It was noted that Cllr. Barrie Cooper had agreed to investigate the new criteria governing the installation of pedestrian crossings.

The clerk confirmed that Cllr. Barrie Cooper had funding available for the current financial year and two proposals had been made; the first for refurbishment of the Village Hall notice board and a second would be made for self watering planters.

The clerk reported he had received an invitation from Nottinghamshire CC to attend an Emergency Planning meeting, details to follow, but it was agreed the council should be represented at this meeting.

Cllr Thomas reminded the meeting that funding from the LAF for our theatre performances was likely to be withdrawn under the new rules but it was agreed that at present the budget provisions were adequate.

**3784. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman reported that the Public Consultation on the LDF Aligned Core Strategy would be held between 15<sup>th</sup> February and 12<sup>th</sup> April but the exact details were still unknown. A public meeting was being organised by Rushcliffe BC at the Community Centre on 24<sup>th</sup> March. It appeared likely that 4<sup>th</sup> March remained the appropriate date to present the petition to Rushcliffe BC.

The Chairman and Vice Chairman had had a meeting with Linda Cox from the Play Forum and three events were being planned; an Easter Event on 31<sup>st</sup> March 1.00-3.00 pm, a Play Day on 18<sup>th</sup> August

1.00 – 4.00 pm and an Environmental Day on 27<sup>th</sup> October 1.00 – 3.00 pm. Our partners for these events would include Rushcliffe BC, ncc and the Church at Gamston. The Photograph Competition was in hand, it was agreed to fix a closing date of 24<sup>th</sup> March and winners would be presented with their prizes and certificates at the Annual Meeting. It was agreed to use the newsletter budget for the leaflet advertising the competition.

### **3785. COUNCILLOR REPORTS ON LIAISON RESPONSIBILITIES**

Peach Boy report; Cllr. Stacey reported on a very successful and well attended performance. There was a discussion on ticket prices for next winter, it was recognised that the council was under pressure from Nottinghamshire CC to increase prices and it was agreed to increase charges to £.00 for adults and £1.00 for children

Cllrs Thomas & Barker, Rushcliffe BC Housing Strategy Report, deferred

### **3786. WORKING PARTY - ALIGNED CORE STRATEGY & FOOTBALL STADIUM**

There was a discussion on advertising and the clerk reported that in his opinion the council had the power to spend money on advertising providing the costs were reasonable. Advertising on hoardings and the use of banners to explain the council's policy towards the proposed housing and stadium would be investigated.

### **3787. VILLAGE HALL**

The clerk and Cllr. Tisbury had not yet had a meeting with Nottinghamshire CC but hoped to do so shortly.

It was proposed and agreed not to pay the Village Hall Committee the annual grant this year in view of the expenditure incurred by the council on maintenance. However, as usual the council would consider any requests for financial support for exceptional items.

### **3788. CRIME & DISORDER**

The monthly crime report previously circulated was noted.

Cllr. Mason reported on a poorly attended LAG meeting. It was again noted that information had been passed to the police but there had been no feedback and it was not known if any action had been taken on the points raised.

A relatively new problem was that of "boy racers" on the A52 late at night at the weekends and 4x4 off-roaders near the Water Sports centre.

Cllr. Mason asked that comments be passed to him on all matters relating to crime and disorder before the next LAG meeting.

### **3789. FINANCE**

The Financial Statement was accepted and 12 cheques totalling £2,744.36 including £195.12 VAT were approved for signature.

The clerk reported that a request for financial support had been received from Pierrepont Gamston School to help finance an all weather pitch. It was recognised that this was a long term project and that the council would be unable to assist during 2010-11 but would discuss with the head teacher how we could help the year after.

### **3790. PLAY PARK**

Cllr. Mason tabled the monthly Inspection Report and the report by Play Inspections where a number of low risk items had been identified. It was agreed that none of these needed urgent action and a quote from CPM was accepted and suggested the work was undertaken when the weather had improved.

Cllr. Hemsley arrived at 9.45 pm.

It was noted that neither the Bull nor the Dragonfly had been treated and the Chairman agreed to follow up.

### **3791. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Reference 01/10 09/02074/LBC Repair and restoration of five monuments and railings at St Edmunds, Holme Pierrepont. Cllr. Stacey informed the meeting that a faculty had been granted by the Diocese. It was proposed and agreed not to object.

Report on Public Consultation meeting at Radcliffe on Trent. Cllr. M Barker gave a short report on the exhibition to illustrate the proposals for over 500 homes proposed between Radcliffe on Trent and the railway line. It was noted that the land while not designated flood plain did flood, there were also concerns over access and increased traffic movements. Included with the proposal was a scheme for linking the canal to the river.

Decision notices received: 20/09 Five dwellings at Simpkins Farm, granted; 23/09 Demolition and alteration to barns, listed building granted; 28/09 15 First floor extension at 15 Sandale, granted.

#### **3792. DISTRICT REPORT**

Cllr. Mike Hemsley reported that there were unlikely to be any significant changes to the Revised Rushcliffe BC Corporate Strategy 2007-11 and it was not necessary for the Parish Council to respond. Cllr. Hemsley also reported that he had made a contribution to Pierrepont Gamston School towards the DARE programme.

#### **3793. CLERK'S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

An advert had been sent to the school for inclusion in their newsletter asking for help with the production of the newsletter.

#### **3794. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION, CORRESPONDENCE & NEWSLETTER**

The following were noted; GVHMC, financial reports on recent events; Nottinghamshire CC, minutes of public meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> December 09, Pierrepont Gamston School, all weather pitch; Rushcliffe BC revised Corporate Strategy; Rushcliffe CVS, February Funding Information & Newsletter

#### **3795. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**

To be confirmed, 8th March 2010.

The meeting finished at 10.20 pm.

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**Present:** Councillors Diane Kidger (Chairman), Mark Bancroft, Michael Barker, John Harbury-Carlisle, John Mason (Vice Chairman), Simon Robinson, Frank Thomas (Hon Vice-Chairman), Cynthia Stacey and Melvyn Tisbury.

**In attendance** R J Hawkins – Clerk, Cllr. Kay Cutts (Nottinghamshire CC) & Cllr. Hemsley (Rushcliffe BC) and one resident.

**3796. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllr Clarke. Cllr Cooper also sent apologies and Stacey both unwell and the council wished them a speedy recovery. Cllr. Cutts apologised for not attending the last meeting due to other commitments.

**3797. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 8th February 2010 were approved and signed by the Chairman

**3798. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None were given

**3799. ORDER OF BUSINESS**

It was agreed to keep to the order on the agenda

**3800. COUNTY REPORT**

Cllr Cutts reported that the County had approved the budget for 2010-11 at a prolonged council meeting which lasted until 2.20 am. It was planned to appoint a director to the County staff to spearhead savings. The 5 year Strategic Plan had been approved and this focused on Education, Environment and Crime reduction. It had been agreed to sell the thirteen Care Homes currently owned and managed by the County as it had been accepted that private companies did the job better and more efficiently, it was hoped a single buyer could be found for all the homes. The associated Day Centres would continue to be run by the County.

Free school journeys were to be reintroduced for certain pupils to correct an anomaly in the current rules.

The Highways budget had been increased to deal with the roads following the harsh winter.

A new committee was to be established to work with the Police and the Police Authority to improve policing in the County. Cllr Hemsley commented that he had received an email from a resident asking for assurances that the police are serving the community as well as they should so this announcement was welcome.

The BBC scheme had been replaced by the Local Initiative Scheme (LIS) which would focus on smaller more locally based schemes that had been the BBC.

**3801. DISTRICT REPORT**

Cllr Hemsley reported that the Rushcliffe BC budget had been approved, savings of £2.1M had been achieved without cuts to front line services.

Work had started to improve the car park at the community centre but the anticipated completion date was not known.

Stage 1 of the Climate Change report had been completed, Stage 2 which concerned implementation would start later in the year.

A review of Leisure Facilities had started, unlike the previous review this would look at other facilities beyond the leisure centres.

### **3802. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman reported that a letter had been received from the Church at Gamston suggesting a meeting to discuss a relaunch of the parent and toddler group; it was proposed and agreed that the Chairman should attend a meeting and report back at a later date. One known requirement would be storage facilities but it was difficult to see how this could be addressed.

It was agreed that at the appropriate time the Parish Council should call a public meeting and a newsletter would be produced outlining the main points of the Core Strategy.

The Chairman reported on a very successful Parish Forum meeting at Cropwell Buttrick.

### **3803. COUNCILLOR REPORTS ON LIAISON RESPONSIBILITIES**

FH Thomas reported on the Housing Policy report from Rushcliffe BC. The report was considered to be a good one except for the well known issue of the housing numbers which seemed to indicate that the area population would increase by 10% over the next 14 years which is more than the increase over the past 100 years, no action was required.

Cynthia Stacey reported that the latest Live Theatre performance Who's Been Sitting in My Chair, at the school had been very successful with 110 attending. The County Council was insisting that the ticket prices for all future performances should be increased to £5.00 and £3.00. It was agreed to postpone a discussion until the next meeting.

### **3804. WORKING PARTY REPORT**

The Chairman reported that the petition with over 2000 signatures had been presented to Rushcliffe BC by Cllr Barrie Cooper, a similar petition raised by Tollerton PC was also presented at the same council meeting.

The Chairman reported that the billboard poster at ASDA would be displayed from 15<sup>th</sup> March for two weeks.

Arrangements for the Public Meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> March were well advanced; Ken Clarke MP, Cllr Neil Clarke (Rushcliffe BC) and Andrew Claythorpe had all agreed to attend. Simon Robinson commented that the presentation was almost finished, this would be factual, include the proposal to construct a stadium and importantly concentrate on "why we say no."

Paul Randle had agreed to meet with Members and it was agreed to propose next Tuesday evening as a suitable time.

The newsletter and Rushcliffe Greenfields leaflet would be circulated shortly and the Rushcliffe BC leaflet and leaflet advertising the photographic competition would be circulated later.

There was a brief discussion on the recent Environmental Law Foundation meeting. It was noted that one of the suggestions made was the production of an alternative SHLAA, an idea the PC had considered previously.

Cllr Kay Cutts left the meeting at 9.15 pm

Cllr Mike Hemsley the meeting at 9.20 pm

There was a brief discussion on the power of the Parish Council to conduct a poll and the Clerk agreed to investigate.

**3805. VILLAGE HALL**

In the absence of John Mason it was agreed to defer this item.

**3806. CRIME & DISORDER**

The monthly crime report previously circulated showed the area to be average in terms of reported crime. However, it was noted that vandalism had been a problem in the Play Park with litter bins emptied and glass bottles broken. Streetwise had assisted with the clear up operation and their help was much appreciated.

It was reported that there had been a mugging recently near the village hall and the clerk was asked to write to Inspector England asking for details.

**3807. FINANCE**

The Financial Statement was approved & 6 cheques approved for signature totalling £1504.73. It was recorded that one cheque for £246.75 payable to Signit (Nottm) Ltd had been raised since the last meeting

The costings for the Easter Play Day of £500 on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March were approved. Rushcliffe Play Forum, Sure Start and the Church at Gamston had agreed to take part.

**3808. PLAY PARK**

There were no inspection reports due to holidays.

It was noted that Colin Dynes had laid the all weather matting.

**3809. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following applications were considered;  
Application 1/10 for a licence for a Mobile Snack Bar on Lings Bar Road  
Planning application 2/10 10/00398/FUL, application by Mr Robinson to construct single storey front and side extensions at 18 Bampton Court, Gamston

**3810. CLERK'S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There was a discussion on the County's offer of either a new notice board or bench seat for the parish. It was agreed to request a seat for the bus stop on Ambleside

A further advert had been placed for somebody to help produce the Parish Newsletter.P3 Parish partnership; the clerk reported on a meeting with Jane Baines to discuss new arrangements for P3

Training Course £95, it was agreed the clerk should attend an SLCC training course on legal matters to be held in Nottingham

NALC Standing Orders & CAB latest edition, it was agreed to purchase these two new publications

**3811. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION, CORRESPONDENCE & NEWSLETTER**

The following items of correspondence were noted: Nottinghamshire CC, Travel & Transport, Planning & Landscape, LIS, P£ Parish Paths Partnership; Colin Raynor, ELF notes on meeting at County Hall; Newark & Sherwood, Infrastructure Planning , Pierrepont Gamston School, all

weather pitch; Rushcliffe BC, various minutes and agenda; RCAN, financial summary, Rushcliffe CVS, February Funding Information & Newsletter.

**3812. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**

To be confirmed, 12th April 2010

The meeting closed at 10.10 pm

**Minutes of the meeting of Holme Pierrepont & Gamston Parish Council held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2010 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, Old Tollerton Lane.**

**Present:** Councillors Diane Kidger (Chairman), Mark Bancroft, Michael Barker, John Mason (Vice Chairman), Simon Robinson, Frank Thomas (Hon Vice-Chairman), Cynthia Stacey and Melvyn Tisbury.

**In attendance** R J Hawkins – Clerk, & Cllrs Cooper & Hemsley (Rushcliffe BC) and one press reporter from the Nottingham Evening Post.

The meeting was preceded by a presentation to Lauren Stultz, winner of the junior section in the recent Gamston Photographic Challenge competition and her winning entries were on display.

**3813. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Clarke and Harbury-Carlisle, both are unwell and the council wishes them a speedy recovery.

**3814. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 8th March 2010 were approved after minor corrections and signed by the Chairman.

**3815. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None were given

**3816. ORDER OF BUSINESS**

It was agreed to bring forward the item on planning.

**3817. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Extension to Tollerton Airport, reference 2010/00345/FUL: there was a discussion on the application to extend the runway and noise was identified as one of the main issues. It was proposed and agreed to seek a meeting with either the agents or the owners of the airport, to understand more fully the application and implications of an extension, before making a decision. The Clerk was asked to obtain an extension to the response deadline.

8.00 pm Cllrs Cooper and Hemsley joined the meeting.

**3818. COUNTY REPORT**

Cllr Cooper reported that the rebuilding of West Bridgford library would go ahead with some modifications to the original plan. The contact centre would not be built but there would be a youth centre and it was hoped the new facilities would be open in the autumn 2010.

Cllr Cooper also reported that he was supporting the school project to construct an all weather playing surface. It was noted that John Heard the current head teacher would be retiring later this year.

The Concessionary Fares scheme was being amended and half fare travel would no longer be available to during peak times and eligibility criteria would be amended in line with changes to the retirement age as determined by central government.

An efficiency campaign was underway and it had been noted that the County owned 9,000 properties on 1,400 sites and if any of these were not being used they would be sold.

In response to a question on the Community Emergency Plan, Cllr Cooper explained the reasoning and hoped for outcomes. It was proposed and agreed that the Clerk should write to the County outlining our views.

### **3819. DISTRICT REPORT**

Cllr Hemsley reported that there was little to report; he supported the County's view that more youth facilities were required and he agreed to find out if the Community Centre was available for regular bookings on any evening in the week.

A Leisure services review was underway and the new car park layout near the Community Centre would be a big improvement.

There was a wide ranging discussion on land availability within the parish and the apparent reluctance of Rushcliffe BC and BOVIS to reach agreement on the transfer of ownership.

### **3820. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman reported on a successful meeting with Paul Randle, deputy Chief Executive at Rushcliffe BC to discuss the public consultation. The question of a Parish Council poll was raised but Rushcliffe BC did not see any benefit.

The Chairman and other members attended a number of public meetings to consider the Aligned Core Strategy: the Tollerton public meeting was held on 17<sup>th</sup> March, this was very well attended; the Gamston public meeting was held on 18<sup>th</sup> March with an attendance of around 180; The Lady Bay Association also held a public meeting with around 100 attending.

Additional signatures were collected for the Parish Council petition at the Farmer's Market and these were presented to Rushcliffe BC, including the Parish Council and Tollerton Parish Council's petition the total signatures was 3,912. It was noted that a significant number at the market when approached admitted to knowing nothing about the proposals to build on the green belt.

It was also noted with some disappointment that the Chief Executive of Rushcliffe BC had kept a very low profile during the public consultation.

A short report on the very successful Easter Play Day was given and advance notice for the May Day event. The financial support of Cllr Cooper was acknowledged with thanks.

Cllr Hemsley reported that he would be supporting the Summer Fete.

### **3821. COUNCILLOR REPORTS ON LIAISON RESPONSIBILITIES**

Cllr Stacey outlined proposals for increasing the ticket price for live theatre performances in line with the County's request to generate more revenue. It was proposed and reluctantly agreed to increase prices to £5.00 and £3.00 with 50% of any profit being returned to Village Ventures.

It was agreed that future fliers advertising performance should state that ticket prices are set by the County.

### **3822. WORKING PARTY REPORT**

The Chairman reported on a very successful campaign working together in partnership with other Parish Councils and action groups and this had raised the profile of the Parish Council considerably. The Chairman thanked everyone who had helped in the campaign for their hard work.

The Parish Council's response to the Aligned Core Strategy was approved and the clerk was asked to submit this to Rushcliffe BC

**3823. VILLAGE HALL**

It was noted that the end wall would be treated this summer when the weather improved.

The minutes of the latest GVHC were noted.

**3824. CRIME & DISORDER**

The next LAG meeting would be on 15<sup>th</sup> April.

It was noted that the Ringmaster service had ended due to financial cut backs.

A new Beat Manager has been appointed to replace PC Steve Leek who has been promoted. It was proposed and agreed we should invite the Beat manager to attend PC meetings.

**3825. FINANCE**

It was proposed and agreed to set the Members Allowance at £200.

The Clerk reported that the council's PC had crashed and was beyond economic repair and a replacement had been purchased.

It was proposed and agreed to appoint Mr David Brooks as internal auditor for 2010-11.

The financial statement was approved and 11 cheques signed totalling £1902.67 including £88.51 VAT.

A claim for refund of VAT for 2009-10 had been made for £6920.23

There was a discussion on the request from Pierrepont Gamston Primary School to support the project to construct an all weather playing surface. The clerk was asked to write and obtain clarification on whether the new facility would be open to the whole community.

**3826. PLAY PARK**

The Clerk reported that he had had an onsite meeting with David Papworth, Rushcliffe BC, to conduct a project completion survey and it now seemed likely that the £4,000 grant awarded some time ago would be paid.

The monthly inspection report was noted. Cllr Mason reported that the chains on the swings would be replaced as previously agreed later in the month.

The Bull had been treated; in future this would be the responsibility of the Parish Council.

Cllr Tisbury left the meeting at 9.50 pm

**3827. CLERK'S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A meeting had been held with a potential editor for the Parish Newsletter. It was proposed and agreed to appoint Mrs Sophie Brewill to edit the next three issues over the coming six months and review after this period.

**3828. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION, CORRESPONDENCE & NEWSLETTER**

The following items of correspondence were noted: Nottinghamshire CC, Travel & Transport, Planning & Landscape, P3 Parish Paths Partnership, Community Emergency Plan; Colin Raynor, ELF notes on meeting at County Hall; Newark & Sherwood, Infrastructure Planning, Pierrepont Gamston School, all weather pitch; Rushcliffe BC, various minutes and agenda; RCAN, financial summary, Rushcliffe CVS, February Funding Information & Newsletter.

**3829. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**

To be confirmed, 10th May 2010

The meeting closed at 10.20 pm

**Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Holme Pierrepont & Gamston Parish Council  
held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May at 6.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, Gamston**

**Present:** Councillors Diane Kidger (Chairman), Mark Bancroft, Michael Barker, John Harbury-Carlisle, John Mason (Vice Chairman), Frank Thomas (Hon Vice-Chairman), Cynthia Stacey and Melvyn Tisbury.

**In attendance** R J Hawkins – Clerk, & Cllr. Kay Cutts (Nottinghamshire CC), Cllr Hemsley (Rushcliffe BC) and 5 members of the public.

**3830. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN 2010-11**

It was proposed and Cllr. Mrs. Diane Kidger was unanimously elected Chairman for 2010-11

**3831. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPTANCE**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Clarke and Robinson

**3832. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING & MATTERS ARISING FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April were approved and signed by the Chairman

**3833. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None were given

**3834. ELECTION OF OFFICERS, PC REPRESENTATIVES & RESPONSIBILITIES**

It was proposed and Cllr. John Mason was unanimously elected Vice-Chairman for 2010-11.

It was proposed and agreed that Cllrs Bancroft and Mason should represent the Parish Council on the Village Hall Committee.

**3835. FINANCE**

The Financial Statement was presented by the Clerk and approved and 17 cheques signed totalling £2,265.94 including £126.71 VAT.

**3836. ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH (TO FOLLOW THIS MEETING AT 7.30 PM)**

There was a brief discussion to confirm arrangements for the Annual Meeting of the Parish.

**3837. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

An application to extend the run way at Tollerton Airport (Outside the Parish); a brief report was given on a meeting held between some Members and Mr Brian Wells to discuss the proposed plans. The Chairman also commented that an inaccurate report had appeared in the Nottingham Evening Post to the effect that the Parish Council had decided to oppose the application, when in fact the application had not been considered. After lengthy discussion the newspaper agreed to print a correction.

It was proposed and agreed not to oppose the application but to comment upon the application and make suggestions for appropriate conditions to be imposed.

Application to erect two wind turbines at Stoke Bardolph (Outside the Parish). This application was considered and a decision deferred to give time for the Parish Council at Stoke Bardolph to be contacted.

Application to construct 470 dwellings at Cotgrave Colliery site (Outside the Parish). It was believed that the Cotgrave Town Council had no objections to this application and it was proposed and agreed not to object.

**3838. CLERK'S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

It was proposed and agreed to defer this item until the next meeting

**3839. CORRESPONDENCE & NEWSLETTER** It was proposed and agreed to defer this item until the next meeting

Date of the next meeting to be confirmed 14<sup>th</sup> June

Annual Meeting of the Parish to follow this meeting at 7.30 pm

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm.

**Minutes of the meeting of Holme Pierrepont & Gamston Parish Council held on  
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2010 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, Old Tollerton Lane.**

**Present:** Councillors Diane Kidger (Chairman), Mark Bancroft, Michael Barker, John Harbury-Carlisle, John Mason (Vice Chairman), Simon Robinson, Frank Thomas (Hon Vice-Chairman) and Cynthia Stacey.

**In attendance** R J Hawkins – Clerk, Cllr. Kay Cutts (Nottinghamshire CC) & Cllr. Cooper. (Rushcliffe BC).

The meeting was preceded by a short presentation by Neil Bettison, Community Development officer, Nottinghamshire CC. Members expressed their appreciation of Neil attending the meeting to describe his role but were surprised that a meeting called by the Police was to be held at the Community centre on 6<sup>th</sup> July, nearly all tickets had been issued and the Parish Council had not been informed

**3840. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Clarke and Tisbury.

**3841. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 10th May 2010 were approved and signed by the Chairman

**3842. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None were given

**3843. ORDER OF BUSINESS**

It was agreed to keep to the order on the agenda and to include at this point a short presentation by the Chairman.

**3844. COUNTY REPORT**

Cllr Cutts congratulated the Chairman on the Archive project and said how important she believed this type of project was and to maintain an archive of photographs which otherwise might be lost.

Cllr Cutts reported that the Council was already working on the budget for next year and was pleased that considerable savings had been made in the current financial year as the government had just advised the County that grants would be cut by £12M; had savings not been made this year would have been even more difficult.

The launch meeting for the local Improvement Scheme (LIS) would be held on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> at Newark Show Ground; due to financial constraints funding would have to be reduced but the emphasis remained on small local projects.

The concessionary bus pass scheme would be maintained at the minimum level only and would not include trains and the Council would be discussing the Tram at a forthcoming meeting. The proposed dualling of the A453 is supported but road safety projects generally will be scaled back.

Funding for the Water Sports Centre would be maintained and it was hoped to secure more franchising. It was noted that the public car park was locked on occasions and Cllr Cutts agreed to investigate.

**3845. DISTRICT REPORT**

Cllr Cooper reported that the Council had been informed three central government grants had been withdrawn but as this had been anticipated and allowed for in the budget it was unlikely there would be any impact.

The Aligned Core Strategy had been abolished but it was recognised that houses would have to be built somewhere.

The Customer Services Contact Centre would be relocated to the Police Station and the Library project was being re-evaluated but would go forward and revised plans published in the autumn.

Bridgford Road Phase 3 would also go forward.

#### **3846. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman reported on a meeting with the Church at Gamston to discuss Parish Council support for a mothers and toddlers group in the parish; other local agencies were also supportive and a consultation was now underway. A business plan had been drawn up which indicated that with a regular minimum attendance of 10 the scheme was viable with minimum support from the Parish Council. It was proposed and agreed that the Parish Council should support this initiative.

The Chairman and Vice Chairman had attended a meeting at Rushcliffe BC to discuss Emergency Planning; at this stage it is not clear how the Parish Council can contribute.

The planning was under way for the Gamston Summer Play Day to be held on 18<sup>th</sup> August, the theme this year is Music and activities will include making musical instruments, song and dance, the bouncy castle and the dog show.

It was noted that Streetwise had donated some traffic cones which was much appreciated but it did raise the question of inadequate storage at the village hall and this would have to be addressed.

#### **3847. COUNCILLOR REPORTS ON LIAISON RESPONSIBILITIES**

Cllr Stacey reported that we had been allocated two performances; Comedy of Errors on 8<sup>th</sup> December and Beauty and the Beast on 19<sup>th</sup> January.

It was noted that funding would no longer be available from the LAF but Cllr Cooper confirmed he would be willing to support our live theatre activities.

#### **3848. ALIGNED CORE STRATEGY**

It was noted that the SHLAA was to be re-assessed by Rushcliffe BC.

A number of members had attended a recent ELF meeting but had found this disappointing compared to the first meeting.

The Clerk confirmed he had written to both Ken Clarke MP and the City Council regarding the proposed football stadium and was awaiting satisfactory replies.

Cllr Kay Cutts left the meeting at 9.15 pm

#### **3849. VILLAGE HALL**

There was a discussion on a possible alternative site for a new village hall but it was generally recognised that this was probably not viable.

It was proposed and agreed that we should contact potential builders and architects and arrange meetings.

It was noted that the Village Hall Committee funds stood at over £2,600 in the current account and over £16,000 in the deposit account and that a profit had been generated this year compared to a loss the previous year. It was noted that some users were not leaving the hall in a clean and tidy condition and an increase in charges might be necessary to meet costs.

**3850. CRIME & DISORDER**

The monthly crime report from the Police mapping web site was circulated; this described the area as average for crime but also showed a small increase in recorded crimes.

**3851. FINANCE**

The Financial Statement was approved & 15 cheques signed totalling £1173.37 including £114.11 VAT.

The clerk presented the Annual Accounts for the last financial year but explained that it had not yet been possible for the internal audit to be completed; this would now take place during shortly. The accounts were approved subject to a satisfactory internal audit and it was proposed and agreed that the Chairman could sign off the accounts following a satisfactory internal audit.

The Annual Return for the last financial year was considered and the governance statement considered in detail. The Risk Assessment was considered and accepted satisfactory but at the Clerk's suggestion it was agreed to discuss with the internal auditor whether he should receive a copy of the monthly statement. It was proposed and agreed that the Chairman should sign off the Annual return following a satisfactory internal audit.

Members were reminded that the Member's Allowance had been approved but to make a claim the pro forma recently sent to all members should be returned to the clerk.

Financial support for the all weather pitch at the School was again discussed when concerns were expressed that the facility when completed would not necessarily be open to the general public. It was proposed and agreed to invite the new head teacher when in post to discuss the project.

There was a discussion on the purchase of a speed gun costing in the order of £900 and creating a Speedwatch campaign. The clerk was asked to talk to adjacent parishes that had purchased a gun to see if a partnership arrangement could be established.

**3852. PLAY PARK**

The monthly inspection report was noted.

It was reported that the swings had been repaired but that at some time in the future further more extensive work might be necessary at a likely cost of over £2,500.

It was noted that new H&S information advised that gates in fences surrounding play areas should be painted a different colour and it was agreed to obtain quotes.

It was proposed and agreed to suspend standing orders and continue the meeting.

**3853. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

An application by Nottinghamshire CC reference 7/10 to construct a new ski tow at the National Water Sports Centre was discussed. It was proposed and agreed not to object to the application but to make comments and observations.

**3854. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION, CORRESPONDENCE & NEWSLETTER**

It was generally agreed that the latest Newsletter had been a success and the Editor had made a significant impact.

**3855. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**

To be confirmed, 12th July 2010. Cllrs Barker and Stacey offered their apologies.  
The meeting closed at 10.35 pm

**Minutes of a meeting of Holme Pierrepont & Gamston Parish Council held on  
Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2010 at 7.30 p.m. in Gamston Village Hall, Old Tollerton Lane.**

**Present:** Councillors Mark Bancroft, John Harbury-Carlisle, John Mason (Vice Chairman), Simon Robinson, Frank Thomas (Hon Vice-Chairman).

**In attendance** R J Hawkins – Clerk, Cllr. Kay Cutts (Nottinghamshire CC) & Cllr. M Hemsley. (Rushcliffe BC).

**3856. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies were received from D Kidger, M Barker, MC Clarke, C Stacey and M Tisbury.

Cllr John Mason took the chair in the absence of the Chairman.

**3857. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th June 2010 were approved and signed by Cllr Mason.

**3858. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None were given

**3859. ORDER OF BUSINESS**

It was agreed to postpone the District report until the arrival of Cllr Hemsley

**3860. COUNTY REPORT**

Cllrs. Kay Cutts (Nottinghamshire CC) briefly reported that the Standards Board would be abolished but Local Standard committees would continue; housing targets had been scrapped and would be replaced by a year plan based on historical data; a localism Bill would be put before parliament which could see the return of the committee structure to the County Council in 2012; the County was looking at a 25-40% reduction in the budget, more services would go private but this was seen as an opportunity for the Council and it was hoped to improve the image of the County Council.

The County Council will be out of contract with the NET at the end of the year.

A plan to purchase the railway bridge at Radcliffe on Trent was in the early planning stage, this would help create a new public right of way.

**3861. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

In the absence of the Chairman the clerk gave a short report; planning for TODDLERS Plus was progressing and a meeting was scheduled for later in the week with the Parish Council's partners; the Parish Council had had a presence at the Summer Fete and this had been very successful; it had been confirmed that an LIS award had been made towards the Archive Project.

After a discussion it was proposed and agreed to make a donation of £500 to Pierrepont Gamston School towards the all weather playing surface project.

**3862. COUNCILLOR REPORTS ON LIAISON RESPONSIBILITIES**

None

**3863. WORKING PARTY - ALIGNED CORE STRATEGY & FOOTBALL STADIUM**

The clerk confirmed that he had been corresponding with the City Council and the FA in an attempt to gain access to the Bid Book to determine the location of the proposed stadium, without success so far.

Cllr Cutts stated that Nottinghamshire CC would not sell land in the green belt for the stadium.

**3864. VILLAGE HALL**

It was proposed and agreed to ban dogs from the grounds of the village hall and the Play Park and the clerk was asked to consult with the Dog Warden and source appropriate signage.

It was agreed to postpone a discussion on the renovation of the village hall notice board to a later meeting.

The clerk confirmed that he had spoken to one potential supplier of timber constructed buildings and was awaiting detailed information.

An outline of the design of the new scout hut in Lady bay had been received.

Cllr Hemsley arrived at 8.50 pm.

**3865. CRIME & DISORDER**

The monthly crime report had been circulated previously, no comments.

The clerk confirmed that Tollerton Parish Council had been approached with a view to hiring their “speed gun”. This would be put before the Parish Council meeting in September.

Cllr Cutts left the meeting at 9.00 pm.

**3866. FINANCE**

The Financial Statement was approved & 14 cheques and 1 direct debit were approved for payment totalling £3137.78 including £63.89 VAT.

Internal Auditor’s report: the auditor had not been in favour of receiving the monthly financial statement but proposed a quarterly meeting with the clerk as an alternative. It was proposed and agreed to accept this proposal at a cost of £250 pa to be reviewed annually.

Bond Maturity August; the clerk confirmed that the Bond matured in August. It was proposed and agreed to reinvest for 12 months.

**3867. PLAY PARK**

There was no monthly inspection report

The clerk reported that the Chairman had had an on-site meeting with the Highways department who had suggested the construction of a lay bye on Ambleside would be a suitable project for the LIS scheme. It was proposed and agreed to support any road works on Ambleside which would create parking for the Play Park and improve safety.

**3868. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

None

**3869. CLERK'S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The clerk reminded members that the closing date for Rushcliffe BC's Small Environmental Scheme was the end of the month and any suggestions for planting or landscaping should be submitted to the clerk before that date.

The clerk reminded members that Rushcliffe BC was undertaking a Consultation on Local Governance and responses could be made on line.

**3870. NEWSLETTER**

Closing date for copy was Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July.

**3871. DISTRICT REPORT**

Cllr Hemsley presented a report on recent events in the Borough including the recent arrival of travellers who occupied Nottinghamshire CC land.

Within Rushcliffe BC every department is affected by the financial cuts

Cllr Hemsley agreed to find out the latest status of the application to extend the runway at Tollerton.

**3872. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL.**

Confirmed 13th September 2010

The meeting closed at 9.50 pm

**Minutes of a meeting of Holme Pierrepont & Gamston Parish Council held on  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2010 at 7.30 p.m. in Gamston Village Hall, Old Tollerton Lane.**

**Present:** Councillors Mrs Diane Kidger, Mark Bancroft, Michael Barker, John Harbury-Carlisle, John Mason (Vice Chairman), Simon Robinson, Frank Thomas (Hon Vice-Chairman).

**In attendance** R J Hawkins – Clerk, Cllr. M Hemsley. (Rushcliffe BC).

**3873. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Stacey & Tisbury

**3874. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 12th July 2010 were approved and signed by the Chairman

**3875. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None were given

**3876. ORDER OF BUSINESS**

No change to the published agenda

**3877. COUNTY REPORT**

In the absence of Cllrs. Cutts and Cooper there was no report

**3878. DISTRICT REPORT**

In the absence of Cllr. Mike Hemsley there was no report

**3879. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Update TODDLERS Plus; the first meeting of the Monday group organised and managed by Sure Start had taken place earlier in the day when 7 families attended. It was proposed and agreed that as Sure Start would be funding the installation of radiator covers that hire fees for the hall should be waived until Christmas when the situation would be reviewed.

The Chairman reported that she had received a letter of resignation from Cllr Clarke who felt that since his illness earlier in the year he had not contributed to the Parish Council as he would have liked and believed it appropriate to resign. The Clerk reported that a notice had been posted earlier advising of the resignation and the period for requesting an election ended later in the week after which the Parish Council should be able to co-opt. It was proposed and agreed to set a closing date for applicants 10th October 2010.

Report on Gamston Play Day; this event had again been a huge success and very well attended. Heavy rain had interrupted some events around 3.00 pm but most resumed later. The Fun Dog Show had been very popular and raised funds for the Mayor's Charity; together with a donation from the ice cream vendor £80 was raised. A letter of appreciation for her invite to attend the event had been received.

Cllr Mason reported Sure Start had helped with a risk assessment and as a consequence some alterations to the hall were necessary, these would be completed in the next few weeks. It was agreed to sell or otherwise dispose of the piano as this occupied valuable space and was seldom used.

The Chairman reported that some toys had been purchased but Sure Start would be making available a variety of resources which could also be used by the Friday groups.

It was proposed and agreed to ask families attending the Friday groups to make a contribution of £1.00 per family and this would be reviewed at Christmas.

The Chairman confirmed the Environmental Play day would be held on 27th October

### **3880. COUNCILLOR REPORTS ON LIAISON RESPONSIBILITIES**

It was noted that Cllr Stacey had informed the Clerk that the live theatre performance on 8th December had been confirmed and we were awaiting the advertising fliers.

Cllr M Hemsley (Rushcliffe BC) arrived at 8.00 pm

### **3881. WORKING PARTY - ALIGNED CORE STRATEGY & FOOTBALL STADIUM**

The Clerk confirmed that a Freedom of Information request had been made for disclosure of the proposed location of the stadium and a formal request for an internal review of the non disclosure also made. The clerk agreed to establish if the City had failed to respond within the legal limits and if not an item would appear in the newsletter and local media

Cllr B Cooper arrived at 8.20 pm

### **3882. VILLAGE HALL**

To approve renovation of the notice board; this item was deferred until Cllr Tisbury was present.

To consider alterations to village hall & purchase of pram shelter; it was proposed and agreed to revisit possible alterations to the village hall, including a pram shelter, to see if lower costs alternatives were possible.

It was noted that Sonia Ostapjuk had resigned as Chairman of the GVHC and from the committee; as nobody had come forward to take on the role of Chairman this left the committee unconstitutional. It was proposed and agreed that Cllr Mason, as one of the committee members nominated by the Parish Council, should ask for the following resolutions to be put on the agenda for the Village Hall AGM to be held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October;

All funds and assets held by the Gamston Village Hall Committee be transferred to the Parish Council

The Gamston Village Hall Committee be dissolved and

Invite ongoing members of the committee to join a Parish Council committee

In the interim it was agreed Mandy Bancroft should consult with the Clerk over any village hall problems

### **3883. COUNTY REPORT**

Cllr Cooper outlined progress towards improved financial efficiencies with the Council and reminded members that there was a public consultation running; the aim is to save £30M this year and increasing in future years. Notices had been issued inviting employees to consider voluntary redundancy.

A proposal for a resident's only parking scheme in Lady Bay was under consideration and a new design for the West Bridgford library was awaited. Building Schools for the Future programme had been shelved.

The developers for Sharphill Wood had put forward a plan for a park area, allotments and BMX track which was being considered.

**3884. CRIME & DISORDER**

Monthly crime report (paper attached); this report again indicated that the parish was an average area for crime.

Cllr Mason expressed the opinion that police targets were being set too low and this was very disappointing as the force was not achieving results experienced by other forces.

In Keswick Close there had been three attempted car thefts

**3885. FINANCE**

The Financial Statement was presented by the clerk and approved; it was noted that 13 cheques and one direct debit totalling £1359.76 including £42.23 VAT approved for payment had been signed since the last Parish Council meeting. In addition 12 cheques and one transfer totalling £8569.16 including £81.74 VAT were approved and signed.

The good work of Brian Duffin was noted.

Internal Auditor's report; the clerk reported on a successful first quarter internal audit. Comments had been made by the auditor on record keeping and reporting and these would be implemented.

The clerk reported that the investment bond had matured and been re-invested.

**3886. PLAY PARK**

The monthly inspection report was tabled by Cllr Mason, no risks had been identified

Letters of support for the LIS application for road safety improvements on Ambleside had now been received; Cllr Cooper agreed to sponsor the application and this would now be submitted shortly.

The litter bins had been repaired.

**3887. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Reference 09/10 10/01415/OUT application by Havenwood Construction to build two dwellings at Simpkins Farm. It was proposed and agreed not to object to this application.

**3888. CLERK'S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The clerk outlined the procedure to be followed to fill the vacancy on the council by co-option

**3889. NEWSLETTER**

Members were reminded that the copy deadline was Friday for items for the next Newsletter.

**3890. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION, CORRESPONDENCE & WEB**

Nottinghamshire CC, Travel & Transport, Planning & Landscape, Budget Consultation.

A letter from the Mayor thanking the Parish Council for the invitation to the Play Day. A letter from the County Council asking for help identifying roads liable to flooding.

**3891. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL.**

To be confirmed, 11th October 2010

The meeting closed at 10.40 pm.

**Minutes of a meeting of Holme Pierrepont & Gamston Parish Council held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2010 at 7.30 p.m. in Gamston Village Hall, Old Tollerton Lane.**

**Members Present:** Councillors Mrs Diane Kidger, Mark Bancroft, Michael Barker, John Harbury-Carlisle, Simon Robinson, Mrs Cynthia Stacey, Frank Thomas (Hon Vice-Chairman), Cllr Tisbury.

**In attendance:** RJ Hawkins (Clerk) and Cllr B Cooper (Nottinghamshire CC) and Cllr Mike Hemsley (Rushcliffe BC)

**3892. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies were received from Cllr John Mason.

**3893. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2010 were approved after minor amendments and signed by the Chairman.

**3894. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Chairman and Cllr Barker declared an interest in Rushcliffe BC's public consultation on the current version of the SHLAA as both had an interest in property included in the document.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

In the absence of both County and Borough Council members it was agreed to defer items 5 and 6 until later in the meeting.

**3896. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

TODDLERS Plus on Fridays was working well with good attendance and the Monday morning Sure Start group is also working well.

Environmental Play Day this year will be on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> October. A variety of events was planned with our usual partners between 1.00 and 3.00 pm

**3897. COUNCILLOR REPORTS ON LIAISON RESPONSIBILITIES**

Cllr Cynthia Stacey reported that she had had a meeting with Steve Stafford, the new head teacher at Pierrepont Gamston Primary School, to discuss Village Ventures and he had been very supportive. Arrangements for the Circus Berzercus performance on 8<sup>th</sup> December were in hand; the following event would be The Beast and the Beauty on 19<sup>th</sup> January. An application had been made for future events in Spring/Summer 2011.

Cllr Barrie Cooper arrived at 8.00 pm.

**3898. WORKING PARTY - ALIGNED CORE STRATEGY & FOOTBALL STADIUM**

The clerk reported that Nottingham City Council had still not responded to the Freedom of Information request.

**3899. VILLAGE HALL**

It was noted that Sonia had resigned as Chairman of the Village Hall Committee. It was proposed to create a Village Hall Management Committee and Cllrs Kidger and Stacey agreed to be members and former members of the GVHC would be invited to join.

Membership of the Village Hall Working party looking at a replacement was confirmed as Cllrs Barker, Harbury-Carlisle, Thomas and Tisbury.

It was proposed and agreed not to hold a Bonfire event this year.

Cllr Mike Hemsley arrived at 8.20 pm

The Chairman reported that the Treefest would be held on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 2.30 pm starting in the village hall and finishing at the Play Park.

### **3900. COUNTY REPORT**

Cllr Cooper reported that the County had set a target of saving £32M this year and 85% had been achieved but over the next 3 years savings of £150M had to be achieved. Two thousand employees have applied for voluntary redundancy and all council owned properties would be assessed. Street lighting would in some areas be switched off during certain hours or dimmed.

### **3901. DISTRICT REPORT**

Cllr Hemsley reported that the Borough had identified some savings but more would be necessary. Partnership working with other authorities was being investigated.

There was a discussion on the merits of trying to establish a conservation area in Gamston after a resident had approached Cllr Hemsley complaining of inappropriate replacement windows being fitted to an old house in the village. It was proposed and agreed that a conservation area would not be appropriate.

The Rushcliffe BC contact centre to be located in the police station would be open in February 2011.

The ticket machine in the main car park would be replaced and in future motorists would have to record their registration numbers.

Additional green wheelie bins are available at a cost of £25 but roadside glass collection would not be implemented as only 1% of glass was thrown away in the grey bin.

### **3902. CRIME & DISORDER**

It was noted that the online crime map showed the parish was in an area of average crime.

There was a brief discussion on the recent LAG meeting and it was noted that a new Inspector had been appointed.

### **3903. FINANCE**

The Financial Statement was approved & eleven cheques approved for signature. It was noted that the second instalment of the Precept had been received together with three other credits, in total £23,262.92.

### **3904. PLAY PARK**

An LIS application had been submitted and supported by Cllr Cooper for road safety improvements on Ambleside.

It was noted that the hedge running alongside the pavement opposite the Play Park had been cut back.

### **3905. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

An application for a Licence for Mobile Snack Bar reference MS171 on the A52 was noted.

Cllrs Kidger and Barker took no part in the following discussion.

A public consultation had started on the SHLAA Review and it was proposed and agreed that Cllr Tisbury should draft a response for approval at the next Parish Council meeting.

**3906. CLERK'S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Co Option to the Parish Council; it was proposed and agreed to invite Prof Tony Stace to attend the next Parish Council meeting after which formal co-option to the council would be considered.

The clerk confirmed that Rushcliffe BC had awarded a grant of £100 under the Small Environmental Scheme for hedging and trees around the village hall.

**3907. NEWSLETTER**

The latest issue of the newsletter had been well received but it was noted that the item on the live theatre performance had not been included.

It was recognised that from the copy deadline to circulation was taking about four weeks and the clerk was asked to investigate if this time frame could be reduced.

**3908. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION, CORRESPONDENCE & WEB**

Various newsletters and circulars were tabled

**3909. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Confirmed as 8<sup>th</sup> November 2010

The meeting closed at 9.55 pm

**Minutes of a meeting of Holme Pierrepont & Gamston Parish Council held on  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2010 at 7.30 p.m. in Gamston Village Hall, Old Tollerton Lane.**

**Members Present:** Councillors Mrs Diane Kidger, Mark Bancroft, Michael Barker, Simon Robinson, Frank Thomas (Hon Vice-Chairman), Cllr Tisbury.

**In attendance:** RJ Hawkins (Clerk) and Cllr B Cooper (Nottinghamshire CC) and Cllr Mike Hemsley (Rushcliffe BC)

**3910. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies were received from Cynthia Stacey and John Harbury-Carlisle.

The Chairman welcomed back John Mason after a short illness and Tony Stace

**3911. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2010 were approved after a minor amendment to minute 3899.

**3912. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Mark Bancroft declared an interest in the Village Hall as his wife Mandy was the Booking Secretary and Caretaker.

**3913. ORDER OF BUSINESS**

In the absence of any ward members, it was agreed to postpone County and District reports until later.

**3914. VILLAGE HALL**

The Chairman reported that an exercise was under way to establish the running costs of the hall after which the hire fees would be reviewed. It was proposed and agreed that any new rates would be introduced from 1st April 2011. As a general principle it was agreed that different rates should be introduced depending on the status of the hirer and whether a resident of the parish or not.

It was reported that the response to the Village Hall Consultation had been poor.

It was reported that Abacus Pre School Group had made an approach to hire the Village Hall on a regular basis. It was recognised that with other regular bookings it was not possible to offer five sessions and only Wednesday could be offered as a possibility.

It was proposed and agreed that a letter of engagement should be sent to Mrs Mandy Bancroft and that her terms of employment should be reviewed at budget time.

It was suggested that a handbook be provided in the village hall for users and the Clerk agreed to produce a draft.

The Village Hall would be decorated on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 2.00 pm and all volunteers would be very welcome.

**3915. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

To consider the installation of electricity to the Play Park; it was proposed and agreed by a majority vote to install power to the Play Park up to a maximum cost of £2000 from PC funds and £500 from Cllr Hemsley

To consider the installation of Christmas lights; it was proposed and agreed to install Christmas lights on the tree to be erected in the Play Park.

Toddlers Plus; a joint meeting of all three groups to be held on 24<sup>th</sup> November on healthy eating, supported by Rushcliffe BC

Archive; a meeting with Edwalton Historical group is arranged to see how best to store and preserve archive material.

Time Out Group, the Chairman, Cllr Mason and the Clerk attended a meeting of the group and gave a presentation based on some of the recently acquired archive material

The Chairman reported on a very successful Environmental Play Day well attended and with the benefit of good weather.

Treefest; the annual Treefest would be held on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December starting at 2.30 pm.

### **3916. COUNCILLOR REPORTS ON LIAISON RESPONSIBILITIES**

The clerk reported on behalf of Cllr Stacey that tickets for the Circus Berzercus performance were going slowly and well down on previous events.

Cllr FH Thomas arrived at 8.55 pm.

### **3917. WORKING PARTY - ALIGNED CORE STRATEGY & FOOTBALL STADIUM**

The City Council still refused to disclose information on the proposed new stadium but it was noted that FIFA were expected to announce the hosts for the 2018 World Cup on 2<sup>nd</sup> December.

### **3918. CRIME & DISORDER**

Monthly crime report ; it was noted that the official police crime web site continued to show the parish in an average area for crime. Disappointment was expressed that the Beat Manager had not attended the meeting and the clerk was asked to write and invite Inspector Nolan.

Village Hall vandalism; a window had been broken and some graffiti.

It was noted that there had been some problems on Stavely Close and residents of Goldrill Close were still without any street lighting. The Clerk was asked to contact Development Control at Rushcliffe BC and see what the original consent said about lighting.

It was agreed to circulate a letter to residents adjacent to the village hall asking for extra vigilance and to report to the police any unusual behaviour.

Cllr M Hemsley arrived at 9.05 pm

Cllr B Cooper arrived at 9.10 pm

### **3919. DISTRICT REPORT**

Cllr. Mike Hemsley gave a short report and explained that much of the effort at Rushcliffe BC was concentrated on what all the new government initiatives mean for the Borough and how services will evolve.

Work is continuing on the LDF but publication will not be until June 2011 at the earliest.

Disappointment was expressed at the delay to the A453 and along with local business leaders the Borough had made representations to government emphasising how important the road was economically.

### **3920. COUNTY REPORT**

Cllr Barrie Cooper reported on plans for the Water Sports Centre where it had been recognised that while the water facilities were perhaps the best in Europe that ancillary facilities were well below standard. Similar facilities were being developed elsewhere which would put pressure on the County to either improve the existing facilities or build new.

Cllr Cooper was asked to enquire about possible improved street lighting at the Play Park.

### **3921. FINANCE**

The Financial Statement was approved & 14 cheques totalling £1692.08 including £32.55VAT were signed. Total income for the month had been £173.63

Precept Receipt; the clerk confirmed that the second instalment of the precept had been received.

Budget 2011-12; the clerk reminded the meeting that a preliminary discussion on the budget would be necessary at the December meeting and a final decision at the January meeting; by law details of the precept had to be submitted to Rushcliffe BC by the end of January.

It was proposed and agreed to make a donation to the Royal British Legion of £18.50

### **3922. PLAY PARK**

The monthly inspection report was noted, there were no items of high risk requiring attention. The clerk confirmed that an application had been submitted to the County Council under the LIS for road safety improvements on Ambleside.

### **3923. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The meeting was reminded that Cllrs Kidger and Barker had declared an interest in the next item.

SHLAA Review; it was proposed and agreed to approve the response and send to Rushcliffe Cllr Barrie Cooper .

Application 10/01719/FUL by Mr Dury for a single storey front extension at 3 Tilberthwaite Close, NG2 6QP. There was a lengthy discussion on this application and it was proposed and agreed that Cllr Tisbury should draft a response after consulting the Borough's Design Statement.

### **3924. CLERK'S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

An award of £100 had been approved under Rushcliffe BC's Small Environmental Scheme and it was proposed to improve the hedging around the village hall.

It was confirmed that the Red Phone Box was now owned by the Parish Council and all communication equipment had been removed.

A response to the County's proposal for amendments to the footpaths and Bridleway was approved.

Members responsibilities; members were reminded to complete and return details of their interests, the Chairman reminded members that on completion members would be asked to make budget recommendations.

### **3925. NEWSLETTER**

It was noted that the copy deadline for the next issue is Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November

It was agreed to hold only a short December PC meeting.

**3926. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION, CORRESPONDENCE & WEB**

The following correspondence was noted: Nottingham City Council, letter explaining non disclosure; RCAN, Rural Voice and Annual Report; Rushcliffe BC, Parish Planting & landscape Scheme; Clerks and Councils Direct; Nottinghamshire CC, confirmation of LIS application, Christmas Lighting, Severe Winter Weather; HSBC account terms and conditions; CPRE, Countryside Voice; RCVS, notice of annual meeting.

**3927. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL.**

To be confirmed, 13<sup>th</sup> December 2010

The meeting closed at 10.10 pm.

**Minutes of a meeting of Holme Pierrepont & Gamston Parish Council held on  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2010 at 7.30 p.m. in Gamston Village Hall, Old Tollerton Lane.**

**Members Present:** Councillors Mrs Diane Kidger, Mark Bancroft, Michael Barker, John Mason, Cynthia Stacey, Simon Robinson, Frank Thomas (Hon Vice-Chairman), Cllr Tisbury.

**In attendance:** RJ Hawkins (Clerk) and Cllr B Cooper (Nottinghamshire CC) and Cllr Mike Hemsley (Rushcliffe BC), Tony Stace

**3928. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Cllr Harbury-Carlisle sent apologies

**3929. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 8th November 2010 were approved and signed by the Chairman

**3930. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None were given

**3931. ORDER OF BUSINESS**

It was agreed to defer County and Borough reports until later in the meeting

**3932. VILLAGE HALL**

Income & Expenditure; income for October was £130 and for November £50  
Report on Village Hall Replacement Project. Cllr Tisbury reported that he had held an exploratory meeting with Dyke Associates to understand what services they could offer but it was recognised that Financial Regulations dictated competitive quotes would be necessary. It was proposed and agreed that Members should forward their ideas on what facilities the new village hall should have to Cllr Tisbury before the next PC meeting

Cllr Mike Hemsley arrived at 7.45 pm

**3933. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman reported on a very successful Treefest and thanked everyone for their help and support.

The recent Live Theatre performance of Circus Berzercus had been a huge success with over 100 attending. The next performance would be of Beauty and the Beast on 19<sup>th</sup> January

The Toddler PLUS Christmas Party would be on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December

Orders for equipment for the Archive Project had been placed and a Fish & Chips Supper was planned for early next year when some of the old photographs so far collected would be shown.

**3934. DISTRICT REPORT**

Cllr. Mike Hemsley gave a brief report but explained that the Borough was largely concerned with how to react to the Government cut backs. The leadership/Governance model was being updated together with the Constitution of the Council.

A revised Alcohol Licensing policy had just been issued and member learning and training continued.

**3935. FINANCE**

The Financial Statement was approved & 15 cheques signed totalling £2540.13 including £87.12 VAT. The clerk was asked to investigate alternative insurers and report back.

The draft budget 2011-12 was discussed and members asked to submit comments to the Clerk before the next meeting.

It was proposed and agreed to approve purchase of a notice board for St Edmunds, Holme Pierrepont. (See minute 3423)

The Chairman informed the meeting that the Clerk had submitted his resignation and would be leaving as soon as a replacement could be appointed. In view of this it was agreed not to fund SLCC membership.

**3936. PLAY PARK**

The monthly inspection report was presented, no significant problems had been identified but the paint on the benches needs attention as do the gates.

**3937. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Reference 10/01838/FUL Application by Mr Crofts to construct an Agricultural Hay Store at Holme Farm, Bassingfield Lane

After discussion it was proposed and agreed that Cllr Tisbury should respond to this application

Reference 10/02002/FUL Application by Marston Inns for alterations to The Bridge at Gamston. No objections.

**3938. CLERK'S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Highways Department had informed the council that Royal Mail wished to install a new letter box on Old Tollerton Lane and remove the Victorian box located on Main Street. The clerk was asked to contact Highways with a view to better understanding what had prompted this request.

Open Spaces Survey by Rushcliffe BC

**3939. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION, CORRESPONDENCE & WEB**

The following items were noted - Rushcliffe BC, Precept Demand, Development Control Committee agenda 18<sup>th</sup> November, Notice of Meetings Jan – Mar 2011; Rev Breckles, bench at St Edmunds, CPRE, Annual Report 2009; Dykes Associates, new village hall; NJC Property Maintenance, Introduction to services; NALC LCR Winter Issue; Roger Snowdin, Audit Service; HMRC, Payroll legislation: Came & Co (Insurance) Parish Council Newsletter: CPRE Countryside Voice Winter 2010, Fieldwork December 2010; Ramblers Assoc, Walk, Winter 2010:

**3940. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL.**

To be confirmed, 10th January 2011

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm