

COTTENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Cottenham Parish Council

held at the Parish Office, Ebenezer House, Rooks Street, Cottenham

On **Tuesday 5th February 2008 at 7.15pm**

Present: Cllr's Bristow, Mudd, Leeks, Simms, Hollins, Clarke, Nicholas, Collinson, Johnson and Warham (8.34pm)

Clerk: Mrs J Groves

SCDC Cllr Bolitho

Apologies: Cllr's Fox, Bradney, Norman and Wotherspoon

CCC Cllr Jenkins

- 241. Youth work in Cottenham – Presentation – Julie Bristow** – Funding is needed for a youth worker for Cottenham, in principal the Parish Council are very supportive of this project – matter to be placed on March Agenda **CLERK**
- 242. Any Questions from the Public or Press – Standing orders to be suspended** – None present
- 243. Standing orders to be re-instated - Chairman's Introduction and Apologies**
- 244. Declaration of Interest** Cllr Clarke – Item 247 Finance, Cllr's Mudd and Clarke – Item 270 Ladybird Pre-school
- 245. Minutes of Ordinary Parish Meeting 15th January 2008** Cllr Johnson proposed a true and accurate account, seconded Cllr Clarke, all agreed. **Planning Meeting 17th January 2008** – Cllr Simms proposed a true and accurate account, seconded Cllr Nicholas all agreed
- 246. Reports**
- **SCDC** – Cllr's Bolitho, Edwards and Wotherspoon
 - **CCC** – Cllr's Bradney and Jenkins
- 247. Finance**

Income

- Ladybird Pre-School £11,653.67
- HM Customs – overpayment + incentive payment £397.61

Expenses

- RS Clarke – collection of Xmas Tree £117.50
- Robert Clarke – Carol Concert expenses £75.00
- Cottenham Garden Services – February 08 Invoice £1058.40
- A. Mappledoram – Xmas Lights £616.87
- Viking Direct – Ink cartridges/paper/envelopes £102.94
- Cambridge County Council – Street Lights £957.00
- BC Group Trust £342.63
- E.on – Electric green supply £91.91
- Clerk expenses – phone/stamps/travel costs re course £295.96

The cost of the proposed building should be with the Parish Council soon and then another meeting will be arranged.

- 256. Joint Parishes Working Group** – Update – Cllr Bristow – dealt with under Northstowe
- 257. Hedge at Rec Roadway** – Update – Cllr Bristow met with neighbours and the issue has been settled. Cllr Clarke & Bristow to meet with Neville Rice
- 258. Fees charged** – Resolution to increase fees for use of rec as recommended by the Rec Working Party – Cllr Nicholas proposed that pitch fees, as of April 2009, be increased to £22 for Juniors, £26 for all Seniors and Cricket Club, seconded Cllr Mudd, all agreed. **CLERK**
- 259. Cottenham Housing Needs Survey 2007** – Report for Parish Council from ACRE information only – Cllr's Nicholas and Simms to contact ACRE to discuss the next step and to report back
- 260. Community Garden** – Resolution to accept the quote from Cottenham Garden Service of £16 per cut to cut the grass – Proposed Cllr Nicholas, seconded Cllr Simms, all agreed. Cut initially just this year and then review. Cllr Bolitho to find out who owns this land. **Cllr BOLITHO**
- 261. Clerk Training** – Archiving documents & Freedom of Information 22nd April 2008, cost £40 – Resolution that the Clerk attends – proposed Cllr Bristow, seconded Cllr Johnson, all agreed.
- 262. Travellers**
- Response sent
- 263. Recreation Ground**
- Resolution to accept the quote of £254.15 for posts to support the 'mock goal' – Advice received from SCDC planning – still awaiting reply
 - Wayleave re water supply – Resolution to accept the proposal from Cottenham Charities – Resolution deferred Clerk to contact King & Co for legal advice. **CLERK**
 - Renewal of playground equipment – Resolution to purchase new sit in spring mobile at a cost of approx £622 + VAT, also to replace two cradle seats and chains for swings at a cost of £281 + VAT – proposed Cllr Clarke, seconded Cllr Collinson, all agreed. **CLERK**
- 264. Traffic Issues**
- Traffic Exhibition – update on progress re residents comments and how the Parish Council can take any recommendations forward – Cllr Warham stated that 91 people visited the exhibition, with 51 responses, plus 19 emails. 98% are in favour of more pedestrian crossings with 60% in favour of the one way system. The group is currently looking at all comments received and a more detailed report will be available soon.
 - Letter received re interactive signs – reply sent information only
- 265. TDS – Brenda Gautrey Way** – Letters received, reply sent information only
- 266. Electricity supply** – Village Green – Cllr Leeks – March agenda
- 267. Removal of bus shelter** – Date to be agreed for this and quotes to be sought.
- 268. Dog fouling** – Cllr Mudd stated that there appears to be a problem re this in Wilkin Walk, a dog bin to be placed at the top of the footpath leading to the High Street. Cllr Bolitho to lobby SCDC re need for a dog warden. **Cllr's CLARKE & BOLITHO**
- 269. Methodist Church** – Update – Cllr Leeks stated that a recent meeting had been well attended but the no further developments had occurred, another meeting is to be held on the 11th February 2008.

270. Ladybird Pre-School

- New garden/fencing – feedback from Cllr Johnson – Ladybirds have been in touch with SCDC and there is no need for planning permission for the new fence. The pre-school will fund this project and are aware that other users of the rec may need access.

271. Matters for consideration at the next meeting

- Update re pavement repairs – Cllr's Nicholas and Mudd
- Recreation Working Party recommendations re lease CUSSC, rent review CUSSC, and fees re Tennis Club
- Vacancy due to resignation of Cllr Hollins, Cllr Bristow thanked Cllr Hollins for his input in particular on drainage issues re Northstowe.
- Appeal – 11th March 2008.

272. Dates of next meetings – Planning 14th February 2008, Planning 28th February and Ordinary Parish Council Meeting 4th March 2008

273. Close of meeting – 9.30pm

Signed _____ Chair Date _____