

GREAT SHELFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting held in the Memorial Hall, Woollards Lane on
Wednesday 21st April 2010

There were present:-

Great Shelford Parish Council – Councillors Mr Knowles (chairman) Mrs Bennee (vice-chairman) Mrs Amis, Mr Coggins, Mrs Harwood, Mr Hinsby, Mrs Hodge, Rev Goater, Mr Nightingale, Mr Seekings, Mr Prescott and Mr Smith.

Cambridgeshire County Council – Cllr: Dr Kenny.

Cambridgeshire District Council – Cllrs: Ms Dipple and Mr Nightingale.

Approximately 70 members of the public.

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 15th April 2009 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

The Chairman introduced P.C.S.O. Chris Wiseman, who was in fact on duty.

Chris talked about the three main concerns raised at the last quarterly panel meeting. He said generally speeding in the villages is on the increase; anti-social behaviour which is low at present, but likely to increase now that the light nights are here. Friday evenings during the summer months there can be problems on the recreation ground; not usually down to the youth club but the hangers on drawn to the area; and finally crime has reduced considerably, other than the usual cycle thefts and dwelling burglaries, there are no major local issues at present.

Chris made people aware of the police presence at the Country Market on the first Wednesday of the month, the quarterly Panel Meeting at Sawston and talked about e-cops.

In response to comments from the floor he said he appreciated that not everyone was able to contact e-cops and gave a contact number for non urgent problems and enquiries.

The Chairman thanked Chris.

Representatives from Hill Residential were then introduced to the meeting.

Nick Parkinson the Design Director said Hills Residential plans to develop the old Auto Quick site. The old British School building will be retained, setting the style for the surrounding flats and houses. He then gave an enlightening presentation of how this will be done.

In response to questions from the floor he explained that there will be one parking space for each dwelling. The view from Peacocks would be the Old British School.

In answer to concerns that the access onto Church Street is close to the pelican cross, he said highways will obviously be consulted on this issue.

Revd: Goater said the presentation was reassuring but he had concerns that the properties were specifically for people over 55. In the 2001 census profile 30% of residents in the village were over 60 and 33% of householders are of pensionable age. He feels we should not distort the population profile of the village but keep the balance of the community by encouraging the young.

The Chairman thanked Nick Parkinson for a most enlightening presentation.

3. REPORTS FROM ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES

Cambridgeshire County Council

Councillors Dr Kenny Reported that:

- both Shelford and the City libraries are up and running
- the guided bus is moving forward slowly
- the Addenbrookes access road is going ahead and will open once the National Roadway has completed the M11 junction
- At the recent Joint Traffic commit meeting it was agreed that the introduction of parking restriction lines on Station Road will be recinded
- pot holes are being repaired at the rate of 1,000 each week
- large number of children's centres have been opened this year
- Trading Standards are working with local people to stop cold callers and rogue traders.

In response to questions from the floor she said the access road is basically just that; to take the load off Long Road but not to be used as a run through.

South Cambridgeshire District Council

Councillor Jamie Dipple said her report had been distributed with the agenda and asked if there were any questions.

Council Nightingale said being Chairman of the District Council he and his wife have had a busy year attending 140 varied events, usually distributing grants. Recently £150,000 was given for a well equipped mobile bus for young people. There have been visits to formal housing schemes and the Sawston Advice hut, which is part of the Citizens Advice.

5. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The meeting **received** a summary of the Parish Council's Income and Expenditure accounts, for the year ended 31st March 2010.

In response to a question from the floor the Chairman explained that the additional income was section 106 receipts and the British Telecom prize money. The additional expenditure was for replacement of the implements shed and payment to the school of the BT prize money.

6. REPORTS FROM NOMINATIVE REPRESENTATIVES

Reports were received, some distributed with the agenda and others given verbally, by representatives of the following groups:-

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| Governing Body of Great Little Shelford Primary School | Mobile Warden Scheme |
| Shelford Village College | Shelford Twinning Association |
| Shelford & Stapleford Youth Initiative | Great Shelford Village News |
| Great Shelford Community Association | |

Revd: Goater said the school has enjoyed another successful year and prospered well despite its three inspections; Ofsted, Diocesan and Local authority. He said the school is grateful to the Parish Council and the Feast for encouraging the development of the pupils; the telephone kiosk is a great success; also the handsome response from the community for repairs to the swimming pool. It is planned to develop the curriculum to introduce local studies. Each new year presents a major challenge to the governors, staff and pupils.

Speaking in support of the Youth Initiative Jackson Nazombe said he has enjoyed working with the group but the time has come for him to move on. Adam will be taking over and of course we have the invaluable service of our female youth worker.

David Fuller said the magazine is still going well; following the model established by Wyn Harrison with a few changes introduced now and then. By changing printers we have reduced our costs, enabling us to keep the price the same and make a small profit. A modest grant has been made towards the community room at the Church.

He thanked all of the people involved in the production and delivery of the magazine and of course those who buy it.

The Chairman thanked the representative for their reports.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.53p.m.

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