

Girton Parish Council

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Girton Recreation Ground
Cambridge Road, Girton
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Minutes of a meeting held on Wednesday 30 August 2006

Present: M Wilson (Chairman), D de Lacey (Vice-Chairman), E Bullman (also District), J Ford-Smith, V Godby, R Gordon, R Hiley, J Mayfield, A Meek, M Moore, P Starling, M Taylor, S Tutt.

Cllr Reynolds, County to item 86. 2 members of the public (candidates for election).

06/80. Apologies for absence

No apologies had been received.

06/81. Members' declarations of interests

Cllr Hiley and Cllr Gordon declared a prejudicial interest in item 06/90.

06/82. Open Session for Public

Cllr Hiley prop to suspend Standing Orders, sec Cllr Gordon carried *nem con*. Cllr Reynolds had nothing to report but answered questions on pensioner bus passes. The new scheme should begin in October.

06/83. Standing Orders reinstated

Standing Orders reinstated prop Cllr Meek, sec Cllr Godby carried *nem con*.

06/84. Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 28 June 2006

Cllr Meek requested that 06/77.2 be corrected to "... that the gardening section were still looking for voluntary supervisors and could not operate without them". With this amendment the Minutes were approved and signed by Chairman. Cllr Hiley prop, Cllr Mayfield sec, carried *nem con*.

06/85. Matters arising from the minutes

06/68.6: Following the discussion over this item, Cllr Starling wishes to report that he is in discussion with the Right-of-Way Officer over the footpath.

06/86. Election of co-opted member

A ballot was held and Ms Wendy Barrett was elected. The Chairman welcomed her to the Council.

06/87 Planning Applications

1. S/1468/06/F: Conservatory, 32 Redgate Road. No objections.
2. S/1477/06/F: Extension, 74 Girton Road. No objections
3. S/1492/06/F: Internal & external alterations, 23 Cambridge Road. No objections
4. S/1564/06/F: Extension, 81 St Vincent's Close. No objections
5. S/1284/02/O and S0691/03/RM: Girton Corner. The Council agreed the following statement: "While accepting the latest plans submitted by Wimpeys as being adequate to release them from the planning condition, Girton Parish Council remains concerned that the many safety issues covered in our Safety Audit are not addressed by these plans, and urgently wishes the Highway Authority to consider them. The Parish Council will consider other improvements at that junction which will include safety aspects at its next meeting. We understand that Girton College wishes to be identified with these concerns." Cllr Hiley prop, Cllr Ford-Smith sec, carried unanimously.

Amended Applications

6. S/1385/06/F: Extension, 16 Duck End. Noted.
7. S/1437/06/RM: Wellbrook Way Phase II. Noted.

Planning Permissions

8. S/0927/06/F: Stable Block, The Bungalow Cambridge Road. Noted.
9. S/1019/06/F: Sports Pavilion, Girton College. Noted.
10. S/1142/06/F: Extensions, 125 High Street. Noted.

06.88 Parish Council Meetings

The motion was amended as follows: "That the Parish Council meet on the third Wednesday of each month, and that a Planning Committee be established to consider Planning Applications on behalf of the Council. Planning Applications that are considered sensitive or involve major developments, and any other application at the discretion of the Chairman of the Parish council, will be referred to the full Council".
Cllr Starling prop, Cllr Ford-Smith sec, carried 10-2 with 1 abstention.

06/89 Community land development

The report was received by the council and further discussions with the architect on the provision of community facilities (bowling green and community building) approved:
Cllr Meek prop, Cllr Hiley sec, carried unanimously.

06/90. Land to the rear of 88 Girton Road

Cllrs Hiley and Gordon left the room. "That the Parish Council record its approval of transfer of SCDC-owned land to the rear of 88 Girton Road, for four plots retained by the Girton Town Charity within Phase I of the Wellbrook Way development " Cllr de Lacey prop, Cllr Meek sec, carried unanimously.

06/91. Reports from Parish Councillors

1. Cllr Bullman reported that the oak tree on his farm, believed to have been planted in 1570, had been struck by lightning; and the trunk was found to be rotten.
2. Cllr Godby requested that the police be informed that cars are parking on the Woodlands Park triangle.
3. Cllr Starling requested an agenda item on the problem of the Glebe School being too full to accommodate Girton children.
4. Cllr Taylor reported that he had attended an English partnerships/Cambridge Horizons seminar on Northstowe at which new proposals had been revealed, offering a more symbiotic relationship with the surrounding villages.
5. Cllr Mayfield quoted a letter from a resident of Thornton Close concerning tree planting on the verges. He was advised to refer the correspondent to the County Tree Warden.
6. Cllr Ford-Smith reported that twice he had been visited by people urging him to let them re-lay his drive. The police had been very helpful.
7. Cllr Hiley requested that the substance of his recent email concerning the terms of reference of the Finance Committee be an item for the agenda, and requested Councillors to comment on the contents within the next 2 weeks.
8. Cllr Gordon commented on the state of the swings on the Recreation Ground. He was assured that the matter was being addressed by the Recreation Committee.

06/92. Reports from Other Groups

1. **Girton Town Charity:** Cllr Hiley reported two grants of interest to the Council: to the Baby and Toddlers' group for equipment and to Orchard Close to underwrite an outing to Great Yarmouth.
2. **Youth Works:** Nothing to report
3. **Footpaths and Rights of Way:** Cllr Starling reported that the plan for a Recreation Ground to Histon footpath appears to have run into terminal problems over access to private land, but since access might be possible through NIAB land and Histon Wood, he will contact Histon Parish Council to discuss a joint approach to NIAB for a Permissive Right of Way.

06/93. Correspondence

1. Ms JM Lipscombe – vandalism. Noted.
2. SCDC -- Northstowe member briefings. Noted.
3. University of Cambridge – Land to the rear of Littleton House. Noted.
4. DEFRA (RDS) – Countryside Stewardship Scheme: invitation to submit annual claims. Noted.
5. Cambridge City and SCambs Primary Care Trusts – the future of the Health Service. Noted.
6. Cambridge ACRS – Parish plans. Noted.
7. George Wimpey Ltd – Obstruction of Right of Way. Noted.
8. Dr D Wilman – copy of letter to SCDC re Phase II Welbrook Way. Noted.
9. EnCams: materials on local environment quality. Noted.
10. SCDC: Land to the rear of Girton Road. Noted.
11. CALC: Summary report on restructuring of CALC. Noted.

06/94. That payments for the period 3 August to 23 August 2006 be approved

Payments	GPC 30 August '06						
Cq no.	Paid To	Description	Gross	VAT	net		
1011762	Laurence Letchford	x2 monthly checkup and trouble shooting problems with PC	140.00		140.00	paid	
1763	Powergen	Electricity costs	140.19		140.19	paid	
1764	Helen Bracey	Wages + expenses	636.31		636.31	paid	
1765	Inland Revenue	Tax & NI month 5	87.03		87.03	paid	
1766	BT plc	Broadband charges	213.73	31.82	181.91		
1767	Girton Recreation Centre	VAT refund	434.85		434.85		
			1,652.11	31.82	1,620.29		1,652.11

Payments	GRC 21 June '06						
Cq no.	Paid To	Description	Gross	VAT	net		
300502	CMR Wilson	Work on sports fields	228.00		228.00		
503	Peter T Round	Grounds maintenance July 06	496.44	73.94	422.50		
504	Stuart Turnock	Cleaner's fees	240.00		240.00	paid	
505	Norman Lewell	Security/maintenance officer fees	259.00		259.00	paid	
506	Scott Morley	Litter picker's fees	30.00		30.00	paid	
507	Linda Miller	Wages + expenses	612.89		612.89	paid	
508	A to Z supplies	Pavilion supplies	147.47	25.80	121.67	paid	
509	S M Bishop Ltd	Rec Centre supplies	19.96	2.97	16.99		
510	Norman Lewell	Security/Maintenance Officer fees	259.00		259.00		
511	Stuart Turnock	Cleaner's fees	240.00		240.00		
			2,532.76	102.71	2,430.05		2,532.76

Cllr Starling reported that two cheques had been written for one single payment in error; and this affected the numbering of the cheques in the database. With this error noted, payments were approved Cllr Tutt prop, Cllr Moore sec, carried *nem con*.

The meeting closed at 2110hrs.