

LOCATION: Brigstock Village Hall No. 44

DATE: Wednesday 21st November 2001 07:30 P.M.

ATTENDED BY: - Councillors Mr. J Smoker (C), Mr. E Adams, Dr. D Brown, Mrs. M Douglas, Mrs. B Langley, Mrs. E Searle, Mrs. S Wilks.

Mr. J Chudley (District Councillor)

Item No	Subject	Action	Target Date
44.1	Presentation by Steve Watson & Judith Gibbons (East Northamptonshire Housing)		
44.1.1	Lynn Sumner informed the Parish Council that she would be doing the housing needs survey and she is independent of the housing association and Parish Council. The data would remain confidential at all times and no one would be identified from the results.		
44.1.2	She informed the Parish Council to get the best 'rounded report' with the fullest return possible it would help if the Parish Council helped by putting it's name to the survey and by helping with publicity (a flyer, covering letter from the chairman, East Northamptonshire Housing would fund these). The Parish Council can also help in the hand delivery of the survey forms that are to be returned in a prepaid reply envelope.		
44.1.3	The Parish Council was informed the report would be available only two or three weeks after the closing date for return of the forms. Mr. J. Smoker suggested that the best time to start would be about March time next year. This was agreed.		
44.1.4	Mr. J. Smoker thanked Steve Watson, Judith Gibbons & Lynn Sumner for coming. Clerk to agenda Steve Watson for the February meeting.	Clerk	Feb 02
44.2	Public Forum		
44.2.1	Mr. J. Ryder asked if plastic could be recycled in the Co-op car park along with the other waste. Mr. J. Smoker asked Mr. J. Chudley if he would approach the authorities at East Northant's Council. Mr. Chudley said he would do this.	Mr. Chudley	
44.2.2	Mr. J. Ryder asked if he could speak at the planning item. Mr. J. Smoker said he could.		
44.3	Apologies for Absence were received from Mr. D. Sharrock, Mrs. B. Simon, Mrs. J. Spencer and Mrs. J. Shiells. Mr. J. Smoker informed the meeting that he had received a letter from Mrs. J. Shiells informing that she wished to resign as a Parish Councillor on the grounds of ill health. He asked the clerk to start proceedings for electing a new councillor.	Clerk	
44.4	Minutes of Previous Meeting were signed as correct by the Chairman.		

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44.5	Matters Arising		
44.5.1	43.12.12 Mrs. S. Wills informed the meeting that she still is having discussions with Mr. Rick Saunders over grass cutting of the Pocket Park.		
44.5.2	43.8 The Clerk informed the meeting that a reply has been received from C. N. Spencer Ltd. informing the Parish Council that they do not wish for replacement trees for the park at this point in time. A reply has also been received from A. Birds Ltd who says that they are in favour of some screening but have some concerns. Mrs S. Wilks was asked to get in contact with Gillian at Abirds to arrange a site meeting.	Mrs Wilks	
44.6	Police Officers Report		
44.6.1	P.C. Mark Hillyer-Smith informed the meeting that total reported crime is down 31.6% 57 to 39. There has been a burglary in Grafton Road; Variance crime is up 300% from 1 to 4. There have also been a number of thefts from motor vehicles at the Country Park.		
44.6.2	Members of the meeting informed him that there has been a number of minor 'nuisances' in the village (street name signs damaged and missing). P.C. Hillyer-Smith took details and said he would see individuals and look into this matter.		
44.6.3	He also said he would like to see Latham Street to Mill lane made one-way. Mr. J. Smoker asked if the Police would support this if the Parish Council looked into this. He said they would most likely write a letter of support.		
44.6.4	Mr. J. Smoker thanked him for attending the meeting.		
44.7	Path Warden's Report The Path Warden was not present		
44.8	Accounts.		
44.8.1	Precept: - After a short debate Mr. J. Smoker proposed that the precept be set at the same level as this year £12,500.00 Mrs. S. Wilks seconded, all agreed.	Clerk	31 st Dec
44.8.2	New Audit Regulations: - The clerk informed the meeting that NALC is proposing an internal audit / financial service for it's members. This will probably get over any problems with the Audit Commission over the Parish Council's 'internal auditor'. The meeting agreed to follow this up and get more information.	Clerk	1 st Dec
44.8.3	Balance from Previous Meeting £ 9,433.43		
	Income		
	Co-op		
	Re. Mr. F. Moore		101.00

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	Crowsons		6.50
	Total		£ 107.50
	Expenditure		
	379 – Mr. A. Solesbury		73.00
	380 – C. Sturman		58.75
	381 – Mr. K. Shiells		86.00
	382 – Mr. E. Adams		75.44
	383 – Mrs. S. E. Smith		610.93
	384 – Mr. Glyn Mould		485.00
	Total		£ 1,389.12
	Balance Carried Forward		£ 8,151.81
44.9	Rockingham Forest Trust Liaison Group Mrs. S. Wilks said that there was nothing new to report.		
44.10	Planning The report by Mr E. Adams of the Planning Advisory Group was accepted by the meeting.		
44.10.1	Mr. J. Ryder thanked the Parish Council for its continued support in respect of the planning application near him.		
44.11	Cultural Events Committee		
44.11.1	Mrs. M. Douglas ask if the Parish Council would consider giving all the children in the school a 'mug' to mark H. M. The Queens Golden Jubilee. After a debate it was decided to give 'mugs' to all children in the village under the age of 11 years. Mrs. Douglas and Mrs. B. Langley are to look into this. Dr. D. Brown was asked if he could get a 'ball park figure' for the number of children in the village. (157 under 12 years of age this is approximately 90% of the total).	Mrs Langley & Douglas	
4411.2	Mrs. B. Langley informed the Parish Council that she now has the commemorative plaque for the clock on the Co-op. After a short debate the Parish Council asked Mrs. Langley to get a builder to put the sign up and authorised her to spend up to £100.00 without recourse to the Parish Council	Mrs Langley	
44.12	Street lighting		
44.12.1	Mrs. S. Wilks reported that she has no new information to report to the meeting at this time.		
44.13	Correspondence		
44.13.1	See attached list		
44.14	Any other business		

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44.14.1	Mrs. S. Wilks asked if a letter could be sent to Mrs. J. Shiells to thank her for the commitment she has shown. Mr. J. Smoker is to draft the letter for the clerk.	Mr. Smoker	
44.14.2	Mr. J. Chudley asked if 'underground cabling' could be put on the agenda for the next meeting, as there could be grants available for work in the conservation area.	Clerk	Jan 2002
44.14.3	Mrs. Solesbury asked if some restoration work could be done on the War Memorial. Mr. J. Chudley said again that grants might be available to help with costs.		
<p>Date of next meeting 16th January 2002 to start at 7:30 p. m. The meeting closed at 08:55 P. M.</p>			
Signed		Chairman	Date

The following Correspondence has been received for the meeting dated 21st November 2001.

From E.N.D.C.

1. Appointment of parish council representative to standards board
2. District local plan, workshop for town and parish councils
3. Housing services best value review

From N. C. C. / W. S. Alkins

1. Notice of road closures
2. Rural bus services officer
3. Councillor R. Reichhold / parents preferences for secondary schools

From Other

1. N. L. A. C. Notice of national conference and exhibition
2. Offer of facsimile edition of Domesday Book
3. Information from 'The standards board of England'
4. Northamptonshire council for disabled people carers forum
5. Information on mugs for the Golden Jubilee
6. Thrapston Community Safety forum minutes
7. N. L. A. C. / countryside agency information on 'quality' councils
8. DEFRA 'quality' parish councils – a consultation paper
9. SMP playgrounds information on refurbishment
10. East midlands development agency – annual report and business plan
11. NCVO voluntary sector in east Northamptonshire – survey
12. Police authority – information on unsung heroes awards 2001