

GOODNESTONE PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
WEDNESDAY 23rd NOVEMBER 2016

Present:

Councillors Plumptre, Phillips and Ellison, District Councillor Mike Conolly. Clerk Sophie Walker. Parishioners: Tim Clement, Sarah Hawksworth.

1. Apologies

No apologies had been received.

2. Public Contribution Time

No specific matters were raised by the attending parishioners.

3. Minutes of the Meeting of 21st September 2016.

The minutes of the meeting were signed as a true version of events by the Chairman.

4. Matters arising not covered elsewhere in the Agenda

There were no matters arising.

5. District Councillors invited to report on DDC

District Cllr Mike Conolly provided an update on District Council business. See the attached report.

6. Community Policing

The online crime portal indicated that there was one burglary in August at Orchard Court, Chillenden, and one in September at the recreation ground, also in Chillenden.

7. Goodnestone CE Primary School

There was nothing to report from the school. School parking was discussed under Highway Matters (item 10).

8. Footpaths

Cllr Ellison told the council that he had received a complaint concerning the footpath that crosses the road from Rowling House to Lower Rowling, more specifically that the steps were uneven and hazardous. The clerk agreed to chase this up with the rights of way Area Officer.

9. Village Pond

There was nothing to report.

10. Highway Matters

The clerk had received a complaint from a Goodnestone resident about inconsiderate parking in Park View Close by parents on the school run, which has been inconveniencing elderly residents. Cllr O'Sullivan confirmed that this was the case. However because there is a new set of parents parking in the village every year, it is difficult to prevent inconsiderate parking and speeding in the long term. The clerk reported that she had asked the local PCSO to visit every so often at peak times as this seems to be off-putting to the worst offenders. However the PCSO covers a wide area and so there is a lot demand on her time, and there is the same issue that the message does not get through to everybody and is only effective in the short term.

Cllr O'Sullivan reported that he had again reported the broken streetlight by the Holy Cross Church in Goodnestone. He is also monitoring whether the waste bin is being emptied as DDC seem to be missing it off their round on a regular basis.

11. Goodnestone Millennium Shed

The shed is still in need of a clear out.

12. Millennium Field and Decking

Cllr Phillips reported that he was to remove the old decking in the week following the meeting, and that the bridleway sign next to the historic village sign in Goodnestone has now been repaired. He had also obtained a verbal quote for repairs to the Chillenden windmill steps and reported that the new faceplates for the historic village signs were underway. Cllr Ellison observed that the hedges and brambles in the Millennium Field need cutting back and the clerk agreed to contact Roger Austin.

13. Parish Council Records

The council looked through this at the end of the meeting and sorted out which items should be retained and which could be disposed of.

14. Community Fund

There was nothing to discuss in relation to the Community Fund.

15. Finances

15.1 Payments for approval:

The following items were approved for payment:

i. PKF Littlejohn	£120.00	Cheque no 341
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Proposed by Cllr Phillips, Seconded by Cllr Ellison

16. Planning

There were no planning applications to discuss.

17. Written Correspondence

The clerk had been copied in to an email from Annabel Goldie-Morrison, who runs a livery yard on Goodnestone Road between the A257 and Goodnestone. Horse riders have experienced drivers passing at inconsiderate and dangerous speeds and Ms Goldie-Morrison would like to see a speed limit reduction or other safety devices. District Councillor Mike Conolly is to discuss the issue with his Action Group.

18. Councillors Reports on Parish Matters

There were no councillors' reports.

There being no further items to discuss, the meeting closed at 8.45pm

The next meeting will be held at Chillenden Church Hall on Wednesday 25th January at 7.30pm.