

Minutes of the Griston Parish Council meeting held on
Friday 7th July 2017 at 7.30 p.m. in the back room at the Wagon & Horses Public House

Present:- Cllr Rose Woolhouse (Chairman), Cllr Nicky Hornsey, Cllr Tracy Johnson,
Cllr Peter Ginger and Cllr Marie McGuinness

Other Members Present:- 5 members of the Public

1. Welcome and to consider accepting apologies for absence

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies for absence were received from Dist. Cllr Philip Cowen and County Cllr Claire Bowes

2. To deal with the co-option of a new Parish Councillor

The Parish Council agreed to co-opt Mr David Barnett onto the Parish Council.

3. To declare any Interests re items on the agenda

Cllr Rose Woolhouse, Cllr Marie McGuinness, Cllr Nicky Hornsey and Cllr David Barnett
All declared an interest in item 7, Planning.

**4. To confirm and accept the minutes of the Annual meeting held on May 2nd 2017
and the Extraordinary meeting held on May 23rd 2017**

The minutes of the meetings had been circulated. Cllr Hornsey proposed that the minutes of
May 2nd and May 23rd be accepted as accurate records of the meetings, seconded by Cllr
Woolhouse and carried, so the Chairman signed them as true copies.

5. To discuss any matters from the minutes of May (not on the agenda)

There were no matters arising.

The Chairman suspended the Parish Council meeting for the Public Participation Period.

Dist. Cllr Cowen asked that the Parish Council be advised that the Local Plan is nearing its
final stages. It went to Scrutiny Committee very recently and is the main Cabinet agenda
item for the meeting next Monday. Following the debate at Cabinet, it will be sent to the
Secretary of State for an Independent examination. At this stage there will be a further
opportunity for comments/observations/objections before an Inspector.

There was some discussion regarding the Quantrill site. Comments were made regarding the
possible increase in noise and traffic. It was thought that to create industrial units would be a
bad idea. There will probably be some start up units. Some of those present thought the
Quantrill site should be exclusively for houses and not industry.

There is a property at the beginning of Church Road called Old Timbers. The owners are
currently putting up a new fence and it seems to be encroaching on Highways land. Laurels
have been cut down. The fence is by the bus shelter. The owners think that if they take down
the laurels by the bus shelter, the bus shelter could be damaged. Cllr Ginger offered to go
and talk to the residents before anything 'official' is done.

6. To discuss Correspondence

There was no correspondence to discuss.

7. To discuss any Planning Issues

3PL/2017/0802/VAR – Quantrill Structural Engineers Ltd., Church Road, Griston, IP25 6QA, removal of condition 4 on 3PL/2012/1045/O Some of the Parish Councilors had no objections. The comments made were why are more industrial units wanted when the local business park is not full. Griston has lost several businesses recently, therefore the industrial and office space needs reviewing. Does condition 4 relate to the reduction of properties on the site? Perhaps this question could be answered.

3PL/2017/0773/D - Quantrill Structural Engineers Ltd., Church Road, Griston, IP25 6QA, erection of 37 dwellings and B2 industrial unit and B1 office space (reserved matters), some Parish Councillors had no objections. The question was asked as to why more industrial units are needed when the local business park is not full. There were no objections to the road layout.

3PL/2017/0797/F HM Prison HMP, Access Road, Griston, IP25 6RL Some of the Parish Councillors had no objection. Others did not comment, due to insufficient information available.

8. To discuss Highways Matters

Dangerous parking is taking place in the village, especially on the Carbrook Road. A van parks right on the very corner. However it is a Police issue, not a Highways issue, and the Parish Council does not have any authority to do anything about it. Cllr Hornsey offered to go and speak to the driver of the van. Parking by the Church is also a problem. Cllr McGuinness will ask the village's P.C.S.O. to attend the next Parish Council meeting.

9. To discuss the land purchase

The Parish Council is intending buying a piece of land that joins land that the Parish Council already has. The sellers have said they want 50% of the profit, called an average. The land will be used for recreational use. The land will be used for the intention of the village. Cllr Woolhouse thinks the Parish Council should accept what is being said, as it will not be sold. The Parish Council will be written to and it will give the instruction to go ahead. Cllr McGuinness proposed this action, seconded by Cllr Hornsey and carried.

10. To receive crime figures from the SNAP meeting, if available

No figures were available, so this item was not discussed.

11. To receive update on the £1,000 loan to the Babes in the Wood Festival

This was a successful festival and the £1,000 loan will be paid back to the Parish Council in the near future, by way of a cheque.

12. To authorize financial payments

Cllr Woolhouse proposed the following necessary financial payments be authorized, seconded by Cllr McGuinness and carried:-

URM (UK) Ltd (bottle collecting cost) £9.00

13. To discuss taking forward the Village Appraisal

The Parish Council thought a Working Party should be formed to deal with this. The members would be Cllr Woolhouse, Cllr McGuinness, Cllr Hornsey and Cllr Barnett. Cllr Barnett is going to obtain a copy of another Parish Council's village appraisal.

14. To discuss the decommissioned Telephone Box

The red BT box is now in a private garden. It could be used as a unit for book swoping. This idea should be investigated further and costs sought.

15. To discuss Recreation Ground Fencing

The wires have come undone and it needs attention and it should be a hazard. It will be looked at by Cllr Ginger.

16. To receive items for next agenda

Cost of Skate Park
Speeding within the village
Cost of Sports Equipment and Safety Flooring

17. To confirm date, time & venue of meeting in September

The next meeting will take place on Monday 4th September at 7.30 p.m. in the back room at the Wagon & Horses Public House

There being no other business to discuss, Cllr Woolhouse declared the meeting closed at 8.34 p.m. and thanked everyone for attending.

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Chairman

Date