

Kirtling and Upend Parish Council

Chair: Mr. M. Golding
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Clerk: Mary Prescott
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Minutes of Kirtling and Upend Parish Council Meeting held on February 15th 2010 at Kirtling Village Hall

PRESENT Mr. M. Golding, Mrs P. Gay, Miss A. Dunachie, Mrs H. Slater, Mr. P. Taylor,
Mrs E. Hutchinson and Mary Prescott - clerk.

ALSO

PRESENT Mr. P. Cresswell - District Councillor

428. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr. C. Poole - District Councillor
Mrs. M. Gilmour

429. **MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST** for items on the agenda.
None declared.

430. **TO APPROVE AND SIGN MINUTES OF MEETING** dated Jan 18th '10.
Approved and signed.

431. **MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES** for information only.
The proposed pruning of elm trees opposite the cricket field in Kirtling is to be done
on March 8th.

The annual Parish Paths Partnership agreement form has been completed by
Mr. Golding, and has been returned.

432. ASSET REGISTER

The repaired finger post in Upend has been installed by Mr. A Lee, and the invoice
for the works sent to the insurance company.

The two new noticeboards in Kirtling and Upend have been erected. It was decided
to leave them without an inscribed head board.

433. POLICE MATTERS

The police have advised residents to leave lights on if absent from their homes to
avoid burglary.

Last month there were 58 less burglaries in the areas Cambridge City,
East Cambs and South Cambs combined.

There was a break in at Hill Farm House in Kirtling last month. Access was gained
via a ground floor window.

A man has been arrested who has been stealing handbags from cars parked at a
local Tesco store.

There has been one reported incidence of distraction burglary in the area. The persons concerned stated that they were from the electricity board, but left the scene when the occupier phoned to check their authenticity.

434. FINANCE

- a.) Cash book checked and signed.
- b.) Bank statements Current acct. = £2399.00
 Savings acct. = £6775.06
- c.) Payment of outstanding accounts proposed by Mrs.P.Gay and seconded by Mrs.H.Slater.
 - Mary Prescott - salary + 2 hours o/t £211.92
 - Mary Prescott - expenses £ 48.79
 - Mr A Lee - f/post repair £235.00
- d.) To receive payments
 - Zurich Municipal - Upend f/post
 minus £100 excess £276.00
 - ECDC grant - noticeboards £1407.00

VAT for the period 1.7.09 to 31.12.09 has been received - £182.02.
A new cash book is to be bought next month at a cost of £32.92.

435. CORRESPONDENCE

E mail from Ely Tourist Information regarding a new version of their website. Each village in East Cambs is invited to amend/update their old entry. The clerk has e mailed an update, and has also asked them to add a link to the village's own website.

Cambs. ACRE letter - Cambridgeshire Together Rural Strategy - Your chance to comment.
The questionnaire is being completed by a councillor.

436. REVIEW OF PARISH POLICIES

The parish councillors are reviewing the parish policies during this month. Any additions or alterations will be decided at the March meeting.

437. COUNCILLORS AND CLERKS REPORTS for information only.

Code of Conduct training is to take place at Kirtling Village Hall on Thursday March 4th at 7.00 pm. Six councillors and the clerk to attend, along with councillors from Cheveley, Ashley and Woodditton.

Two books of old minutes have been taken to the Archives at Shire Hall, Cambridge, for the period 1947 to 1993.

Mr. McGuire, District Councillor, is to visit Kirtling and Upend on Thursday 18th Feb at 9 am. He will be taken around the villages, and asked to support the PCs request to lower speed limits to 30 mph, as well as extending the speed limited areas.

A meeting was held with Mr.Neil Ellis regarding the wording on the proposed information boards of the Parish Paths Exploration Project. With suggestions collected from the other councillors, Mrs.E.Hutchinson is to arrange another meeting with him to finalise the details. For the leaflets, it was decided to use paper with a glossy finish, and of 200 gram weight. 1000 copies to be printed. The positioning of the boards was discussed.

The salt bins that have been expected in Upend, are now not to be delivered until next winter.

The clerk is to sign the bottom of agendas, in line with Standing Orders.

From 1st April '10, kerbside collection of clear plastic is to be stopped. The plastic is to be put into black bags with general rubbish, where new equipment will be able to detect and remove recyclable plastic.

A visit to the recycling centre at Donarbon is planned by the PC.

New Standing Orders are to be ordered from CALC at a cost of £25

438. DATE OF NEXT MEETING March 15th '10.

