

## Kirtling and Upend Parish Council

Chair: Mr.M.Golding  
Malting End Cottage  
Kirtling  
CB8 9HH

Clerk:Mary Prescott  
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Ashley  
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### Minutes of Kirtling and Upend Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 15th June '09 at Kirtling Village Hall

**Present** Mr.M.Golding, Mrs P.Gay, Miss A.Dunachie, Mr.P.Taylor, Mrs M Gilmour,  
Mrs E.Hutchinson, Mary Prescott - clerk.

**Also present** Mr.Peter Cresswell and Mr.Carl Poole - District Councillors

#### **335. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Mrs.Helen Slater

#### **336. TO APPROVE AND SIGN MINUTES OF MEETING** dated 18th May '09.

Approved and signed.

#### **337. MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST** for items on the agenda.

None declared.

#### **338. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

The water leakage problem in Kirtling has finally been resolved.

Mr.Mathew Shuter has been re-elected as County Councillor, but Mr. Bradney was not re-elected.

Mr.Golding has telephoned Mr.Shuter regarding the postponed on-site village speed limit meeting, which was originally planned with Mr.Bradney. Mr.Shuter will now contact the new councillor appointed to replace Mr.Bradney, to arrange a visit.

A grant from East Cambs Community Facilities may be available for a replacement noticeboard in Kirtling. A form is to be completed. The possibility of a 50% larger board was discussed, so that the Rev.Gurner could also display church information. Mrs.Helen Slater has approached a double glazing company regarding supply of a replacement noticeboard. It would be a plastic type with a rosewood finish, and would come supplied with a 10 year guarantee.

A sample of materials to be used is to be requested before proceeding, and an estimate for a 3 sectioned board obtained.

The Joint Funded Minor Highways Scheme has sent a form for completion regarding grants available for improvements in the village. The same request is to be made as last year - i.e. for a footpath from Toil Yard corner to Elizabeth House.

Mr.Golding met with Karen Whymark and The Fairhaven estate manager, Roger Connor, to discuss waymarking of footpaths, and possible path relocations. The use of Kissing Gates and Keepsafe fencing was suggested.

Mrs.M.Gilmour contacted the Planning Enforcement Officer regarding the hoarding at Four Winds in Kirtling. He visited the site, and declared that it had been legally erected. It must be removed once the building is completed.

#### **339. ASSET REGISTER**

No problems reported.

### **340. POLICE MATTERS**

It was noted with disappointment, that there was no police representative at this years A.P.M. again. P.C.S.O. M Harvey emailed her profuse apologies at having missed the meeting. It was a working shift problem that prevented her attendance. A report was not supplied either. The clerk is to contact Inspector Savile regarding the inconsistency of police attendance.

Cattle theft is on the increase, with rustling reported near Kings Lynn. It occurs between the hours of 9p.m. and 6a.m. The animals involved were ready for slaughter. Anyone noticing the sale of large amounts of meat, or the sudden presence of cattle should contact the police.

### **341. FINANCE**

- a.) Bank statements  
Current £1523.38                      Savings £9151.49
- b.) To approve payment of outstanding accounts  
Mr.K.Hutchinson - flailing verges      £239.20  
Mary Prescott - salary                      £192.27  
Mary Prescott - expenses                  £ 85.90  
Eco Projects - R.Hoskins                   £311.50
- c.) To receive payments  
C.C.C. Parish Paths Partnership          £300

### **342. KIRTLING AND UPEND PARISH PATHS EXPLORATION PROJECT**

Mr.Neil Ellis from Gazeley has been appointed to assist the parish with the project. He has acquainted himself with the local parish paths by walking their length, and plans to send a circular to residents asking them to report what flora and fauna they have seen, and the locality of the same. There will be details of the project displayed at the Parish Walk and BBQ on August 9th.

### **343. NEIGHBOURHOOD SOUTH PANEL MEETING**

The next meeting is to be held at Stetchworth Ellesmere Centre on 30th June. Mr.M.Golding, Mrs.P.Gay and Miss Anne Dunachie are to attend. Topics to be brought to the attention of the meeting are :-

- Rural bus services
- The inconsistency of police attendance at parish meetings

### **344. CORRESPONDENCE**

C.C.C. Countryside Access Team letter regarding the diversion of Public Footopath No.15.  
The new part of this path affected by the diversion, was certified on May 5th '09 as being of satisfactory construction, and ready for public use.

### **345. CHAPEL LANE TRIANGLE**

A meeting was held at C.C.C. Countryside Access Team on May 28th - there were no objections to the triangle being registered as a Village Green. Mr.S.Thoday then contacted Mr.P.Butcher to check that there were no objections from the Highways dept.  
The triangle is now formally registered as a Village Green

### **346. COUNCILLORS AND CLERKS REPORTS**

It has been noted that the debris following demolition at Sascombe Vineyard has still not been cleared, despite an Enforcement notice requiring demolition and clearing having been given to the owner. The clerk is to contact the Planning Enforcement Officer.

There is a meeting on July 1st at Mrs Pat Gay's house, to discuss arrangements for the village walk/BBQ.

An estimate is to be obtained for binding loose leaves of old minutes so that they can be archived.

Mrs.M.Gilmour is to contact the Environment Agency regarding the cutting of grass on the banks at the Outfall in Kirtling. All wild flowers, and possible nests have been destroyed. A postponement is to be suggested until later in the year, in line with the Parish Biodiversity Policy.

### **347. DATE OF NEXT MEETING July 20th '09.**

