

## Minutes of Glassonby Parish Council Meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2016 7.30 at Gamblesby Community Centre

**Present** – Mr R Hodgson, Mr R Henry, Mr P Clarke, Mr G Morton, Mr M Wilson, Mr A Marsden, Mr A Relph, Mrs H Teasdale, Mr D Banks, Miss P Wilson

**Apologies** – Mr T Kemp, Mrs M Robinson

**Approve Minutes of the last meeting** – The minutes were approved by Mr P Clarke and Seconded by Mr A Marsden

**Matters arising from the minutes** – All Items are on the agenda

**Declaration of Interest** – Mr G Morton Planning application 16/0313

**Planning Matters** –  
15/1051 – Mr D Henderson, Bridge Farm, Gamblesby – Plans Approved  
16/0270 – 2 Croft terrace Glassonby – Extension to side of property – No objections  
16/0313 – Site at Tarn side Farm Gamblesby – New Build – No objections

**Highway Matters** – The fingerpost signs have been renovated in the Parish these have been done to a good standard although it was mentioned that the circle above the signs had not been replaced. The Clerk to find out if they were still to be fitted. The Glassonby Sign was still missing but they had located one, it is still waiting to be fitted. The lonning end on the Gamblesby to Glassonby road needs the gully cleaning out and a few pot holes filled in. Mr A Marsden to contact highways.

**Pavement beside village stocks in Gamblesby** – There had been a complaint by a resident that they had slipped on the flagged pavement outside the stocks when it was icy. They had asked if it could be gravelled instead. The Clerk to find out with the County Council who was liable if someone hurt themselves as it was in the area adjacent to the highway.

**Flooding** – We are still waiting for a progress report from Matthew Wanning and Helen Renyard, The Clerk to chase. Mr G Morton advised the council that the Environment agency were also looking at ways to reduce the water flow and were working with local landowners at present.

**Gamblesby Swings** – The Grant application has been submitted and Mr A Marsden was waiting for a response.

**Street Lighting** – The street lights in Gamblesby that were in need of repair have been done. Mr D Banks said that Unthank would have no street lights but as the village is not a service area it does not meet the criteria. Eden are in the process of gathering information about Parishes who are fitting their own lights and he will circulate once they have something put together.

**Annual invoices to authorise payments for along with annual donations.** –

CALC £130  
Insurance - £463 but waiting for new quote from zurich  
J Morton – Bus shelter cleaning £20  
The First Responders £100  
The Fell Runner £50  
Memo £60  
Addingham Church £100  
Mr G Hogarth – Grasscutting Glassonby £160 plus vat

**Grass cutting tenders** – There had been two tenders for Glassonby of £568 and £450 and one for Gamblesby for £960. After much discussion and as the precept is only low it was decided that the Parish could not afford to pay this much. The Clerk was asked to contact M Binney to see if he would be willing to do three cuts at Glassonby as the same rate therefore being £285.00. Mr M Wilson who cuts the grass at Gamblesby already said he was prepared to cut Gamblesby the same as it is cut already for £300 plus Vat as he had a tractor and topper he can do this much quicker than a ride on lawnmower. Mr A Marsden would look into ways of possibly reducing the areas cut in Gamblesby by ways of leaving some areas uncut to encourage wildlife and wild flowers to grow.

**Parish Council website** – The Grant has been received from CALC. Mr R Henry and the clerk to start the ball rolling and get the website started along with purchasing new hardware.

**Standing Orders and Freedom of Information Policy** – Mr R Henry had sent a proofs of all the legal documents required by the Parish to the Parish Councillors prior to the meeting. There were a couple of items to highlight. These would be amended and would be adopted at the next meeting once all the Parish Councillors had read them.

**Annual review of financial risk assessment** – There were no alteration and the risk assessment was approved by Mr P Clarke and seconded by Mr A Marsden.

**Comments from Members of the Public** – Mr D Banks informed the Parish of the preliminary plans for the Council to move to the old co-op site in the town centre merging all offices together along with the tourist information. There was still concern over the lack of any staff parking as there was only limited parking at the co-op site.

## **AGM**

**Chairman's Report** – The Chairman thanked the Parish Councillors for their continued support over the last year and also thanked the Clerk for all her hard work. He also thanked Mr R Henry for all his work on the Standing orders and policies that the Parish Council would adopt in the coming months.

**Treasurers Report** – This year's income and expenditure was in line with last year's budget. A brought forward balance of £2166.79 with total receipts of £2992 and Expenses of £3019.84 left £2138.95 in the bank. The forecasted budget for next year would have an expected income of £4375.54 and Expenses of £4095.98 Leaving £2419.51 in the bank. £1000 of this is earmarked for the swings at Gamblesby and £500 contingency. The reason for the £1100 extra expenses and income was the £1117 grant received for new hardware and website.

**Election of Officers** – Mr R Hodgson stood down as Chairman Mr P Clarke Proposed Mr R Hodgson remain as Chairman this was seconded by Mr A Marsden All other parish councillors were in favour. Mr R Henry stood down as vice chairman it was proposed that Mr R Henry remain as Vice Chairman this was proposed by Mr G Morton and seconded by Mr A Relph all other parish councillors were in favour.

Date of Next meeting set 6<sup>th</sup> July then 7<sup>th</sup> September and Meeting Closed.