

**UNADOPTED**

**LINTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Bromsash Gorsley and Linton**

**Minutes Of The Meeting Held On February 16<sup>th</sup> 2009**  
**In Gorsley Village Hall at 7:30 pm**

**Present:**

- Cllr Jean Foley-Chairman
- Cllr Ken Downham, Vice-Chairman
- Cllr Jackie Gough
- Cllr Max Gough
- Cllr Michael Cluley
- Cllr Laura Cluley
- Cllr Barry Clark
- Cllr Lin Billinger

Annette Steele (Clerk)

9 Parishioners and the parish footpath's officer

**Before the start of the meeting, the Chairman read out a statement expressing her disgust at the comments being made in the local press, in an attempt to bring the Council into disrepute and to damage the reputation of the Clerk. She pointed out that those concerned have had ample opportunity to bring any complaints to the Council & have a fair hearing but have chosen not to do so. She stressed that this malicious gossip must cease as it is causing much upset within the local community.**

Minute Item	Action
<b>1</b> 1.1 <b>Apologies</b> Cllr Andrew Gardner did not attend.	
<b>2</b> 2.2 <b>Declarations of Interest</b> Cllr Barry Clark in planning application P246 as he is a neighbour.	
<b>3</b> 3.1 <b>Minutes of the Meeting Held on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2009</b> These were accepted with one change and duly signed by the Chairman. Item 9.1-add "to request matching funding" after Gorsley & Kilcot PC.	
<b>4</b> 4.1 <b>Report from the Clerk on actions requested in the minutes dated January 12<sup>th</sup> 2009</b> Following a request from Chris Bartlett, a copy of the VAT rules for village halls has been sent to Gorsley Village Hall.	
<b>5</b> 5.1 <b>Community Support Officer</b> Not in attendance.	
<b>6</b> 6.1 <b>Public Participation</b> The meeting was adjourned to allow for public participation. Parishioners expressed support for the Parish Council and the Chairman said that it was greatly appreciated. The meeting was the re-opened.	
<b>7</b> <b>Adoption of Code of Conduct-Paragraph 12 (2)</b>	

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7.1	IT WAS AGREED that paragraph 12 (2) of the Code of Conduct should be adopted. The Clerk will contact the Standards Board.	The Clerk										
<b>8</b>	<b>To appoint Parish Council Representative for Linton Village Hall</b>											
8.1	IT WAS AGREED that Cllr Mike Cluley replace Cllr Ken Downham as the Parish Council representative for Linton Village Hall. The Clerk will advise Liz Denbigh.	The Clerk										
<b>9</b>	<b>Street Signage</b>											
9.1	IT WAS AGREED that the Clerk should contact CHDC requesting the following road signage: Fordings Lane (Top and bottom) Sargents Lane The Line (Linton lower ridge) Woodend Lane The Clerk will e-mail all Cllrs requesting more suggestions for road that require signage.	The Clerk										
<b>10</b>	<b>Gorsley Neighbourhood Watch request for funding</b>											
10.1	IT WAS AGREED that discussion should be postponed until after the joint meeting on Feb 26th.											
<b>11</b>	<b>Response to Amey Mouchel re proposed Acoustic Fencing-M50</b>											
11.1	IT WAS AGREED that a note detailing the proposed work to be undertaken should be put in the next edition of The Chimes.	The Clerk										
<b>12</b>	<b>To consider 30mph speed limit through Linton Village</b>											
12.1	IT WAS AGREED that at the present time no further action is required. The Clerk will advise Graham Hornsby from CHDC who arranged for the speed survey to be carried out.	The Clerk										
<b>13</b>	<b>Parish Footpaths Grant Application 2009/10 (P3 Scheme)</b>											
13.1	IT WAS AGREED that discussion should be postponed until the next meeting.											
13.2	The footpaths officer expressed his concerns regarding the stability of the bank along the footpath by Yew Tree Cottage-Linton. The Clerk was asked to liaise with the footpaths officer and to send a strong letter to CHDC.	The Clerk/Footpaths Officer										
<b>14</b>	<b>Accounts, Treasurer's Report and Authorisation of Payment of Accounts</b>											
14.1	£975.00 has been transferred from Alliance & Leicester to Lloyds TSB to cover this month's payments.											
14.2	IT WAS AGREED unanimously to pay the following invoices and the cheques were duly signed. <table><tr><td>Gorsley Village Hall-Decorating costs</td><td>350.00</td></tr><tr><td>Allotment Water from July 08-Jan 09</td><td>26.59</td></tr><tr><td>Hire of Gorsley Village Hall April 08-Feb 09</td><td>59.50</td></tr><tr><td>Clerk's Expenses for January 2009</td><td>53.15</td></tr><tr><td>Gorsley Village Hall-Blackout Lining for Curtains</td><td>50.92</td></tr></table>	Gorsley Village Hall-Decorating costs	350.00	Allotment Water from July 08-Jan 09	26.59	Hire of Gorsley Village Hall April 08-Feb 09	59.50	Clerk's Expenses for January 2009	53.15	Gorsley Village Hall-Blackout Lining for Curtains	50.92	
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14.3	The following income has been received since the last meeting: Alliance & Leicester Community Instant Reserve Interest £4.57 Feb Consolidated Stock interest 31p											

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- 14.4 The Clerk advised that the A&L interest rate has now dropped to 0.5% hence the reduction in monthly interest.

## 15 Planning Applications

- 15.1 P246-DCSE2009/0120/F-Alterations to existing dwelling addition of 2 ground floor windows to rear (South) elevation. Hugh's Barn, Woodend Lane, Linton HR9 7SR. Council has no objections.
- 15.2 P247-DCSE2009/0123/F-Alterations and extension to form double garage and bedroom. Three Shires, Bromsash HR9 7PR. Council doesn't object but feels that it is rather a large extension for the site & that it extends beyond the building line.
- 15.3 P248-DCSE2009/0130/F-New vehicular access. Plot adjacent to Forge House, Bromsash HR9 7PJ. This entrance would be close to the very dangerous cross roads at Bromsash- the scene of many accidents; fortunately none fatal, as yet. The increase in traffic including heavy lorries & ever larger agricultural traffic has increased the danger to motorists & pedestrians. The 30mph speed limit is largely ignored. Concern was expressed regarding the discharge of surface water onto the road if the driveway is laid to tarmac or block-paved. Council does not support this application.
- 15.4 P249-DCSE2009/0147/O-3 detached dwellings with new access and associated works. Hill Crest, Gorsley HR9 7SW. The provisional site shown for the proposed development is within the 'Village Envelope'. If planning permission is given it is likely that only one entrance will be allowed to cover the complete site. This would still increase the amount of traffic entering an already busy and dangerous road which also carries a large number of heavy goods vehicles. The splay required for the entrance would be determined by the Highway Authority of Herefordshire Council. The width of the pavement is also the responsibility of Herefordshire Council and at the moment it badly needs clearing. The hedgerows are the responsibility of the land owner and should be cleared by him/her so as not to cause any danger to the public or traffic, nor to impede visibility irrespective of any development taking place.

## 16 Chairman's Announcements

- 16.1 None

## 17 Correspondence-FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- 17.1 The following correspondence was tabled.

D2588	25/01/2009	Raw data from speed guns along B4215	G&KPC
D2589	24/01/2009	Agenda-Southern Area Meeting January 26th 2009	Halc
D2590	28/01/2009	Parish Council Services Questionnaire	CHDC
D2591	28/01/2009	Biodiversity Action newsletter-Jan 09	Hfds Biodiversity Partnership
D2592	28/01/2009	Funding opportunities-Jan 09	CHDC
D2593	28/01/2009	Leaflet on adapting your home for independent living	NHS
D2594	26/01/2009	Letter from GKPC to CHDC re footpath to Gorsley Goffs School	G&KPC
D2595	30/01/2009	Formal notification of precept	CHDC
D2596	07/02/2009	Newsline Magazine	Community First
D2597	09/02/2009	Notices re PACT meeting-Feb 09	The Herefordshire Partnership
D2598	12/02/2009	Chairpersons invitation to The Mayor's Charity Ball-28.03.09	Ross on Wye Town Council
D2599	16/02/2009	G&K PC Minutes-08/01/09	G&KPC

- 17.2 A link to the Gorsley website [www.gorsley.com](http://www.gorsley.com) is to be put on the Linton Parish Council website.

## 18 Councillors' Submissions, including Village Events

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- 18.1 Cllrs Max & Jackie Gough attended the Halc training course-Leading Lights-How to be an effective Parish Councillor on January 27<sup>th</sup> 2009.
- 18.2 Cllr Max Gough advised that the Ofsted inspection carried out at Gorsley Goffs School on January 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> reported that standards are good or better in all categories. Admissions for 2009/10 are looking very good.
- 18.3 Gorsley Village Hall is hosting a “Village Pudding Evening” on Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm. The cost is adults £2.50, children £1.00. If you would like to reserve a ticket contact Pam Bartlett on 01989 721080.
- 18.4 Age Concern is offering a free over 50’s aqua aerobics session at Newent Leisure Centre on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March from 11am. For more information contact Sheryl Walpole on 01452 422660 or email [SherylW@ageconcernnglos.org.uk](mailto:SherylW@ageconcernnglos.org.uk) .
- 18.5 The Clerk was asked to report the damaged to the BT phone box in Bromsash to Weston-Under-Penyard Parish Council.

The Clerk

## 19

### Items for Consideration at the Next Meeting

- 19.1 To consider payment of Clerk’s salary by standing order  
To consider areas that require tidying  
To consider repositioning of salt bins  
To consider the changing the date for April’s meeting due to Easter  
To consider the date for the Annual Parish Meeting

## 20

### Date of the Next Meeting

- 20.1 The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday March 9th 2009 at 7:30 pm in Linton Village Hall.

**The Meeting Finished At 9:25 p.m.**