

Great Linford Parish Council

Great Locality - Proud Community

Minutes of the meeting of the FGP Committee held on Wednesday 9th July 2008 at 7:30pm in the Parish Office, Neath Hill Local Centre.

Present : Cllr Stabler (Chair), Cllr Allum, Cllr Tripp, Cllr Byfield, Cllr Teesdale, Cllr Wallis, Cllr Pickhaver, Cllr Macaulay, Cllr Loftus

1. **Apologies** – Cllr Markley and Cllr Rose

2. **Declarations of Members Interests** - no declarations made

3. **Minutes of the last meeting** - it was proposed by Cllr Tripp and seconded by Cllr Wallis that the minutes of the meeting held 4th June 2008 be signed as a true record.

4. **Matters arising** (for information only) Parish Manager to get a quote for the bench at Giffard Park.

5. **Communications groups**

a. Report - the communications group recommends to Full Council that the March 2009 newsletter is to be produced in colour.

i. Earned income from facilities and advertising could be used to finance this aim

b. Presentation. After the strategy presentation the following recommendations from FGP are to be made to Full Council

i. A working party is set up to investigate the presentation proposals

ii. £1,000 is set aside to pay for a graphic designer to assist in the standardisation of documents and information media. This was proposed by Cllr Loftus seconded by Cllr Allum and all agreed.

6. **Bank signatories** - Cllr Allum proposed that Cllr Teesdale become the third bank signatory. This was seconded by Cllr Tripp and all agreed.

7. **Planning applications**

a. **08/00642** 1 Montgomery Crescent Bolbeck Park No objections

b. **08/01067** 14 Lower Stonehayes Great Linford No Objections

c. **08/01079** 25 High Street Great Linford No

Objections

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| f. | 08/00893 | 158 Ramsons Avenue Conniburrow | No Objections |
| g. | 08/01009 | 5 Warmington Gardens Downhead Park | No Objections |
| h. | 08/00984 | Camphill Community Trust | No Objections |
| i. | 08/01018 | 55 Colesbourne Drive Downhead Park | No Objections |
| j. | 08/01035 | 7 Summerhayes Great Linford | No Objections |
| k. | 08/0958 | 71 Bramble Avenue Conniburrow | No Objections |
| d. | 08/01088 | Spring Cottage Willen Lane Great Linford | Objections |

The parish council objects to this development on four main areas.

- i. The site is an overdevelopment, and is out of keeping with the character of this area.
- ii. Willen lane is a country lane and development will affect this.
- iii. There are concerns about the parking facilities.
- iv. The recommendations made by Aspect Ecology do not appear to have been incorporated into the plans.

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| e. | 08/01090 | 5 Wandlebury Giffard Park | Objections |
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The development is out of keeping with the area

8. Councillor items

9. Expenses for travel between home and council meetings. The proposal as listed on page 2 of the supporting document

- a. *Travel expenses are for approved duties incurred within the parish and (where prior agreement from the Council had been obtained) outside the parish area.*
- b. *That where possible, travel arrangements are shared so as to limit the cost to the council.*
- c. *Appropriate travel is considered by council to be bus, car, bicycle or taxi until a third party indicates otherwise. Taxis are to be agreed with the Parish Manager beforehand who may recruit a local firm on a pre booked arrangement.*
- d. *Approved duties for this proposal are defined as any properly convened Full Council meeting, any of the Sub Committees or other approved meeting that a Councillor is officially involved in.*
- e. *Claiming Expenses. Councillors will be reimbursed retrospectively for any expenses incurred by completing an expenses claim sheet and presenting this to the Parish Manager 5 days before the next Full Council. Councillor expenses will then be included along with the Payments and Receipts agenda item for the whole Council to see and approve.*

f. Claims must be made within a 3 month time limit. Any claims outside this time limit will only be paid in exceptional circumstances.

Cllr Tripp proposed the motion and Cllr Allum seconded. Votes were unanimous. This recommendation to go to Full Council
10. Date of the next meeting is 3rd September

The meeting closed at 9:00pm