**Glemsford Parish Council Meeting**

**Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 13th July 2021 at Glemsford Village Hall**

Present: Cllrs: Plumb (chairman), Southgate, Leopold, Cain, Sewell, B Stephens & R Stephens

The clerk.

2 members of the public

**01.07 Parish announcements**

A reminder was given that next month’s Parish Council meeting will be held on the 17th August.

The Parish Council office will be re-opening on Tuesday the 20th July. Visitors are asked to wear a mask.

Councillor Ruth Stephens is standing down from being a Parish Councillor. Thanks were given for her hard work and valuable input.

Glemsford is to host part of the Ladies International Cycle Race on Saturday October the 9th. It will start from the bottom of Skates Hill to Tye Green. BDC have offered to donate £500 to help celebrate this occasion, they will also provide an activities person

**02.07 Apologies for absence**

DCllr Holt and CCllr Kemp

**03.07 Declarations of interest/dispensation requests**

Cllr Plumb declared an interest in all planning matters due to being a member of the planning committee at BDC.

**04.07 To adopt minutes of council meeting held on the 8th June 2021**

***It was resolved*** to adopt the minutes.

**05.07 Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting**

None

**06.07 To receive reports**

**CCllr Kemp report –**

This can be viewed on the website.

**DCllrs report –**

This can be viewed on the website.

**07.07 Planning:**

**New applications:**

**DC/21/03230 – Land to the rear of 6&8 Angel Lane**

Application for approval of reserved matters following grant of outline DC/21/04943 and subsequent DC/20/03706. Town & Country planning order 2015 – landscaping, layout, scale and design details for the erection of 1no two bedroom bungalow with associated parking.

***It was resolved*** to recommend approval (Cllr Southgate abstained from voting)

**DC/21/03175/76 – 3 Lower Rd**

Application for listed building consent – erection of single storey extension (following demolition of existing extension)

***It was resolved*** to recommend approval (Cllr Southgate abstained from voting)

**DC/21/03397 – 2 Pearsons Close**

Erection of single storey rear extension

***It was resolved*** to recommend approval (Cllr Southgate abstained from voting)

**DC/21/00754 – GCB Factory and Premises , Lower Rd**

**Re-consultation: further documents submitted 18.06.21**

Part demolition and replacement of existing logistics space, new construction of a biomass boiler building and bridge link, alterations to existing logistics building to accommodate a new chocolate production facility, construction of a new waste water treatment building, new gatehouse and 2no weighbridge offices and other associated works.

***It was resolved*** to recommend approval

**DC/21/03361 – St Mary’s Church (Cemetery), Churchgate**

Application for tree works in a conservation area – fell 1no cherry tree, causing an obstruction for a new footpath. Roots are preventing wheelchair access, all other wheeled access and is a major trip hazard for coffin bearers and pedestrians. Damage is being caused by roots entering graves. Would like to replace with a Hornbeam.

**No comments**

 **Granted applications:**

 **DC/21/02645 - 15 Bells Lane**

Erection of single storey rear extension

 **DC/21/02357 – Danree, Drapery Common**

Erection of single storey side extension with side dormer, loft conversion, application of cladding to existing dwelling and extension to porch

**DC/21/02647 – 15 Bells Lane**

Application for listed building consent -erection of single storey rear extension

**DC/21/02508 – North House, Bells Lane**

Erection of boundary fence (following removal of existing)

**DC/21/02199 – 3 Peartree Close**

Erection of single storey rear UPVC conservatory

**DC/21/02641 – 84 Kings Rd**

Erection of single storey rear extension

**DC/21/02114 – Plot 10, land south of Scossels**

Erection of 1no 3 bedroom detached dwelling and garage

**DC/21/02683 – 59 Kings Rd**

Erection of two storey side and rear extensions and porch (following demolition of garage)

**DC/21/02914 – The Bake House, 79 Egremont St**

Erection of a single storey rear extension (following

demolition of existing conservatory) and associated works as per Schedule of Works

**DC/21/02445 – 6 Brook St**

Notification of works to trees in a conservation area – T1 (Lombardy poplar) – Fell (Babergh District Council does not wish to object)

**Refused applications:**

**DC/21/00775 – 3 First Avenue**

Erection of single storey rear extension (following demolition of existing conservatory) and erection of two storey annex accommodation ancillary to main dwelling (following part demolition of existing outbuilding)

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**08.07 Public question time**

Cllr Southgate raised concerns about the condition of the houses on the Hammond Croft site. Cllr Plumb is to make enquiries with BDC.

Questions were asked about the wild green area at the GCB Factory site. Cllr Plumb is to find out if this is to remain.

**09.07 Accounts for approval**

***It was resolved*** to agree the accounts:

Payments July:

Main:

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| HMRC PAYE | 101.63 |
| SCC pensions | 624.76 |
| Brett Des-structural eng servs V/H | 810 |
| Advanced landscape - bins | 2664 |
| Gardens ARB | 1008 |

Village Hall:

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| AWA | 40 |
| BULB | 39 |
| D George - cleaning items | 19.7 |

Receipts June:

Allotment rent - £150

VAT refund - £3776.07

Cemetery Income - £300

V/Hall hire – 476.25

**10.06 Reports from working groups**

**Cemetery**

Planning permission has been granted to remove the large Cherry tree in order to install a new footpath. Quotes are to be obtained for the new path and hardstanding at the gate entrance.

**Finance**

A meeting is to be arranged for next month.

**Village Hall**

At present no quotes have been received from any builders for the new extension. However, Cllr Cain has obtained an estimated cost from the architects at £415,000.

Due to concerns about rising inflation ***it was resolved***  (Cllr Sewell abstained from voting) to apply for a Public Works Loan Board loan of £420,000 over 40yrs. The repayments will be in the region of £19,650.00 per annum reducing over the term. The loan (if agreed) can be drawn upon within the year of acceptance.

Suffolk Association of Local Councils will be approached to help with the application.

**Neighbourhood Plan**

Still awaiting reports.

**Playing Field Management Committee**

Report can be viewed on the website.

**Climate Emergency (Greening Glemsford)**

Report can be viewed on the website

Cllrs Plumb and Southgate are to have further discussions with Lesli Tunbridge concerning the wild flower planting areas in the village.

Thanks were given to Lesli for doing a really good job with the Greening Glemsford projects.

**New Village Hall play park**

Ideas are still being looked into. It may be possible to include equipment for a wider range of age groups. There is a possibility of refurbishing some of the existing equipment.

Setting a start date for this project is difficult due to the proposed extension to the village hall.

The group are to obtain costings for a variety of equipment.

A meeting is to be arranged.

**11.07 Kings Rd play park fencing – use of s106 money**

***It was resolved*** to apply to Babergh District Council for s106 funding to erect a metal fence around the playpark at Kings Rd. Having received three quotes, the most favourable is one from Wicksteed at £8393.05 plus VAT. It is possible that a post installation report will be required at a cost of £375.00 plus VAT.

The clerk is to submit the application.

**12.07 Correspondence**

A letter of thanks had been received from the Churchwarden on behalf of St Mary’s Church for pursuing a satisfactory resolution of the major drainage problem affecting the car parking spaces on Churchgate.

A request had been received asking for a rear shield to be installed on a street light to reduce light overspill. It was agreed to go ahead with this at a cost of £90.03 plus VAT.

Numerous emails had been received concerning the weeds on the side of the roads. It was explained that this is a Suffolk County Council Highways issue. The Parish Council have been informed that spraying will take place the week commencing the 26th July.

**13.07 Date of next meeting**  – 17th August 2021 at Glemsford Village Hall

Meeting finished at 8.05pm

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