Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 13th January 2015 @ 7.15 at Glemsford Village Hall

Present:

Cllrs: Brown (chairman), Mallalieu, Young, Plumb, Southgate, Sewell and Bloomfield CCllr Kemp. The clerk and 9 members of public.

01.01 Chairman's announcements

The Chairman wished all a Happy New Year. Thanks were conveyed to Anne Hamblin for donating a laminator to the Parish Council. All are reminded that there are vacancies on the Parish Council. A part II meeting is to be held for councillors.

02.01 Apologies for absence

DCllr Thake

03.01 Declarations of interest/dispensation requests

None received

04.01 Police Matters

PC Gary Austin introduced himself as the new SNT officer for Glemsford (also covering surrounding Parishes). A report was read, 5 crimes had been committed in December. A request was made to be particularly vigilant for suspicious persons as there has been an increase in burglaries. Anyone wishing to contact PC Austin can do so by telephoning 101 or emailing him on baberghwest.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk or Gary.Austin@suffolk.pnn.police.uk or Gary.Austin@suffolk.pnn.police.uk

05.01 To adopt minutes of Council meeting on the 9th December 2014

It was resolved to adopt the minutes of the meeting held on the 9th December 2014.

06.01 Matters arising from minutes of the last meeting

Cllr Brown confirmed that the rules regarding the carrying of a Union flag had been relaxed and any person can now carry the flag. *It was resolved* (Cllr Plumb abstained from voting) to purchase a flag at a cost of approx. £300.

It was agreed a working party needs to be put together to implement the rules at the cemetery particularly with regards the removal of non-confirming objects from graves.

A revised village hall plan has now been received. As the plan had only just been received prior to the meeting it was agreed to arrange a meeting to discuss this at a later date. A copy will be placed on the website.

Roy Diggins advised that the changing room (container) water supply is to be installed this weekend. The trustees of the playing field had agreed to finance the purchase of an electricity metre for the changing rooms.

07.01 To receive reports

CCllr Kemp – wished a Happy New Year to all. Money is still available from the locality budget, but his must be applied for soon. Glemsford School has transferred its leasehold (for 125yrs) to the new Academy; however, this does not apply to the Woodlands Centre which is still in control of Suffolk County Council. A full report can be read on the website or at the clerk's office. DCllr Young asked about narrow roadways on new developments. CCllr Kemp will enquire about this.

DCllr Thake – The clerk read a brief report. DCllr Thake wished all a Happy New Year. He advises that a new directive is going through Government (although not confirmed yet), it will allow builders to build up to 10 houses without having to make provision for affordable housing.

DCllr Young – DCllr Young apologised for no report as he had been unable to attend BDC meetings.

08.01 Planning

New applications:

B/14/01179/FUL - Part side garden Hillcrest, Drapery Common Erection of 1no 1½ storey dwelling (amended scheme to that approved under permission B/10/00048/FUL) as amended by drawings titled 4003/JB/RB3 - *It was resolved to recommend approval*

B/14/00472/FUL – Stephen Walters, Silk Factory, Chequers LanePart demolition of mill buildings with retention of original mill buildings containing manager's house and office – *It was resolved to recommend approval*

B/14/00468/OUT - Silk Factory, Chequers Lane

Re-advertisement – outline – Residential development of 10no dwellings following partial retention of existing mill (part retention of original mill building and associated works). Amendments to application: amendment scheme to accommodate retention of the original mill building & updated statement from Wincer Kievenaar – *It was resolved to recommend refusal* (overdevelopment of site, access issues and increased traffic a danger to pedestrians)

B/14/01591/ADV - Glemsford Motor Services, Bells Lane

Application for advertisement consent – erection of 1no illuminated fascia sign, 2no panel signs and 1no illuminated double sided gantry sign *It was resolved to recommend refusal* – (as before: detrimental effect on conservation area. Positioning of gantry sign. Insufficient details on plan relating to signs. Clarification of opening times and lighting provision required)

B/14/01586/FUL - Glemsford Motor Services, Bells Lane

Erection of 2no detached (EDF) apparatus cabinets to serve A1 retail units (retention of) —It was resolved to recommend refusal -loss of amenity to neighbouring property. (Very close to wall/fence. Height of unit above guttering level on property. Possible interference of services to appliances from high voltage unit)

B/14/01494 - Serendipity Cottage, 61 Egremont St

Erection of single storey rear extension – *It was resolved to recommend approval*

Granted applications:

B/14/01291/FHA/SS - 7 Kebbles

Erection of first floor extension over existing porch

B/14/01179/FUL/SS – Part side garden Hillcrest, Drapery Common Erection of 1no 1½ storey dwelling as amended drawings titled 4003/JB/RB3

B/14/01356/FHA/MP - Hillside, Skates Hill

Erection of single storey front and side extensions

B/14/00528/LBC/TH - Park Farm, Churchgate

Application for listed building consent – erection of cart lodge following demolition of 3no outbuildings and erection of boundary wall and five bar gate

B/14/00530/FUL/TH - Park Farm, Churchgate

Erection of cart lodge following demolition and erection of boundary wall and five bar gate

B/14/01393/FHA/SS - 3 Lower Road

Construction of vehicular access as amended

B/14/01444/TCA - Bulmac, Hunts Hill

Removal of 1no walnut tree Works may be undertaken without recourse to Authority

B/14/01178/FUL/SW - Plot 4 Scossels

Erection of bungalow and Garage.

Refused applications:

B/14/01280/ADV/SS - Glemsford Motor Services

Application for advertisement consent – erection of 1no internally illuminated fascia sign, 2no panel signs and 1no internally illuminated double sided gantry sign. Consent has been refused for the display of the advertisements

B/14/01108/FUL/SW – Land west of Angel House, 12 Egremont St Erection of 2no detached dwellings (existing garage/studio to be demolished)

Appeals:

B/14/00913/FHA - 14 Fair Green

Erection of single-storey rear extension.

09.01 Public Question time

Enquiries were made concerning progress of the allotments. It was confirmed the fencing is currently being erected and plots are to be marked out soon. The main hold-up is the completion of legal paperwork. Rev Prigg confirmed this was "still in his hands".

It was confirmed that the revised village hall plan will be placed on the website.

With regards the purchase of a Union flag enquiries were made about erecting a flag pole. It was explained that the flag was to be carried only. However, planning permission would need to be sought in the conversation area if a pole was to be erected.

10.01 Accounts for approval

It was resolved to pay accounts

11.01 Allotment tenant agreement - to be agreed

It was resolved to adopt the agreement

12.01 Precept - adoption of

The precept is to be increased by 1.9%. *It was resolved* to adopt the precept subject to any announcements from Government concerning caps or referendums. The return is to be submitted to BDC by the end of January 2015.

13.01 Grants awarding policy - adoption of

It was resolved to adopt the policy

14.01 Freedom of Information policy - adoption of

The by-laws item needs amending to read 'available on internet'. *It was resolved* to adopt the policy.

15.01 Glemsford Parish Council First Response - change of bank a/c name

The external auditors have requested the name of the bank account be changed. This is because these are not Parish Council funds although the account is administered by the Parish Council in conjunction with the First Responders. *It was resolved* to change the bank account to Glemsford First Responders.

16.01 Grass cutting contract - amendments to

The grass cutting tender for the next two years is due to be issued. *It was resolved* to include a further cut to the Cemetery and village greens.

17.01 Planting of trees - playing field

The Parish Council currently have approx 350 trees/bushes which need planting. It was requested some of these be planted on the playing field, the balance on the allotments. The trustees of the playing field have agreed to this request. It is hoped the gardening club (and others) will help with planting. Concerns were raised about maintenance costs. It is hoped this will be done on a volunteer basis. *It was resolved* (Cllr Brown abstained from voting) to plant trees on the playing field.

18.01 Village hall fund raising event - possibility of

It was agreed a sub-committee needs to be formed to organise this event. It is hoped other village organisations will help.

19.01 Correspondence to report

A letter of thanks had been received from 1st Glemsford Air Scout Group for the concessionary rental rate given for their Jamboree. "A perfect venue for a fantastic event".

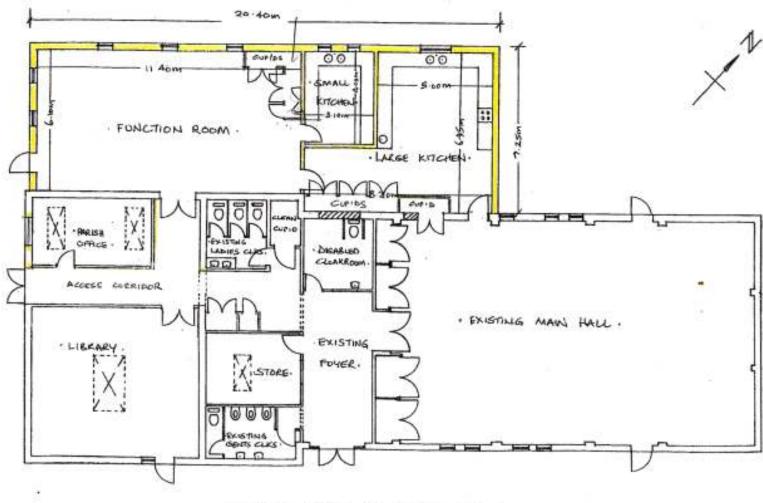
A letter had been received from Suffolk Family Carers who have recently moved from the village hall to another venue. Thanks were conveyed for the support given by relevant councillors, the clerk and Sue in the library.

Correspondence regarding lack of dog bins had been received. This is to be an agenda item next month.

Further correspondence had been received concerning the second hand youth shelter which is being offered for sale by Stowmarket Town Council. This is to be an agenda item next month. Martin Barnes-Smith, Tenant Liaison Officer from Suffolk Housing is to attend the next Parish Council meeting.

20.01 Date of next meeting 10th February 2015

Meeting finished at 8.40pm



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FLOOR PLAN AS PROPOSED (AMBROSO 12 DAWGEY 2015)

Village Hall Plan