

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday 10th January 2013 at 7.30pm

Apologies

Cllr Laughton

Present

Chairman Mr bust, Mr Paris, Mrs Herbert, Mr Herbert, Mrs Simmonds. Mrs Godfrey, Mr Bevans, clerk Mr P Rickett
Cllr Stewart and 4 members of the public

Minutes of the previous meeting were signed as a true record

Village Hall

Village Hall Committee review – agreed that this had helped reduce the time spent in PC meetings discussing the Village Hall

It was noted that more members are needed

Agreed that bookings had increased – more regular bookings

Would like to see some fund raising done

It was pointed out that the Open Gardens may not take place as the organiser needs more help

Agreed unanimously that the VH Committee should continue for another year

Neighbourhood Planning

No further action at the moment

Localism Act 2011: New Standards and Conduct Arrangements for Members

Mr Paris has compared the NALC and N&SDC versions and will circulate copies before the next meeting, he suggested that the NALC version be adopted, but this will be decided at the next meeting

Roads

Footpaths overgrown on School Lane and Back Lane - clerk to contact Footpaths Officer

In general bad state – suggested that it is put in the Village News for people to keep contacting NCC

Open Meeting

Several items raised

Street Light Switch off – the PC will be contacted before anything is done about the energy saving switch off

Noted that the grit bin has been put at the junction of Gray Lane/Radley Road – thanks to Cllr Stewart

School Lane – Speed sign obscured by hedge – Chairman to contact owner

The Turnpike -flooding still occurring – agreed that the PC would support householders request to NCC/Drainage Board if they were reasonable

Correspondence

None

Planning

Gold Hill Farm, Station Lane – householder application to relocate the existing swimming pool, erect building around newly positioned swimming pool along with link block and associated alterations to existing building FUL/LBC

Agreed to support unanimously

Land to rear of The Old Forge, Gray Lane – erection of 1no. dwelling
Rejected 4 to 1, 2 abstentions the reasons being-could be setting a precedent for back fill development - over intensification of site - alien to any other development in Halam

Mr Bevans left the meeting

Finance

More information had been received concerning the Precept – clerk to contact N&SDC

Items for the next agenda

Localism Act 2011

Date of next meeting

Thursday 14th February 2013 at 7.30pm

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 8.35pm