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Minutes of Grindleton Parish Council 6th April 2010,- St Ambrose Parish Room, Sawley Rd,

Present:

Councillor J Cowling (Chair) (JC),

Councillor J Pye (JP)

Councillor P Entwistle (PE)

Councillor C Doherty (CD)

Councillor J Marshall (JM)

B Hilton [BH] – (RVBC)

Apologies: M Ranson (MR)

ECSO S Hartley

In attendance:

Graham Cooper (GC) – website co-ordinator Carol Baird (CB) – Clerk to the Parish Council

1. To approve as correct the minutes of the previous meeting on February 2010.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 9th February 2010 were approved and signed as a correct record.

2. Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting:

Councillor Vacancy.

Given the house move of one of the Councillors out of the village, there is now a vacancy for a new Councillor.

ACTION

CB to draft an advert for the noticeboard and also to send to GC for the website.

All Councillors were asked to approach any suitable candidates.

3. Matters Arising at this meeting:

Election of Chairman

There was an election for the Chair of the Council. Jeff Cowling was proposed by J Pye and seconded by C Doherty. JC commented on his ability to take on the Chair role for this financial year 2010 until April next year 2011. He will then be standing down. He requested that others step forward to take on some of the committees he attends.

ACTION

J P offered to attend the Parish Liaison meetings in future.

4. Planning Applications:

Application number 3/2010/0194 was discussed and objections were raised which CB is to forward to the Planning Dept at RVBC.

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5. Reports from outside committees:

Playing Fields – J Towler has asked the lengthsman to cut the grass on another day if it happens to be raining on the day allocated.

6. Financial Matters

The following items were paid:	£
Salary to CB for April/May 2010	183.35
Expenses to M.A R for Feb/March	7.40
Expenses to CB for April/May	16.90

It was agreed at the meeting that Carol Baird was to be added as a signatory on the Grindleton Parish Council bank accounts which are held at the Yorkshire Bank. All the current signatories signed the mandate to this effect.

7. General Village matters

Hedge Cutting Complaint

JC read aloud a letter from a concerned Grindleton resident relating to the hedge cutting in the village – in particular relating to a hedge adjacent to the road.

ACTION

JC to contact the field owner concerned

CB to contact Peter Finch to ask for a meeting to clarify the situation with regards to cutting hedges.

Foul Smelling Drains

There has also been a complaint received concerning the foul smelling outlet of a septic tank which seems to be draining into the stream. The location of the house is Sunnymeade, located at the side of the Church towards Field Head Farm.

ACTION

CB to report the matter to the Environmental Health officer, James Russell at RVBC to investigate the matter further.

8. A.O.B

Dog Fouling

This is still a big issue and the Councillors still receive several complaints on this topic.

ACTION

CB to write a piece for the notice-board and for the web-site highlighting the issue.

Historical Signposts

This issue was discussed and it was proposed to investigate further.

ACTION

G Cooper agreed to look into the possibility of obtaining some for Grindleton.

Meeting Dates

The proposed meetings until the end of 2010 were proposed as: Tuesday 8th June, 17th August (a week later than usual), 12th October and 14th December.

ACTION

CB to request these dates for the meeting room from the church and to confirm availability at the next meeting.

There was no other business and the meeting closed at 9.15pm.

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