

GULDEN SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held in Guilden Sutton Village Hall on Monday 20 April 1998.

Chairman: Councillor R M Armitage.

Apologies: City Councillor B J Bailey, City Councillor J R Boughton, County Councillor N J Fitton.

Present: Councillors Antrobus, Arditti, Armitage, Astbury, Fisher, Gartland, Hughes, Whitehouse.

The Chairman and Members welcomed Councillor Andrew Arditti to his first meeting of the Council. Councillor Arditti responded.

1. Minutes.

The minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on Monday 16 March, 1998 were proposed by Councillor Hughes, seconded by Councillor Gartland and agreed.

2. Planning.

(i) New applications.

98/00245/FUL, replacement of flat roof with pitched over existing extension at Westcroft, School Lane for Mr F Wilding. Following a report by Councillor Fisher, it was agreed that no objection should be raised. (See (ii) beneath)

(ii) Decision notices.

97/01399/FUL, loft conversion at 5 Moorcroft Crescent for Mr and Mrs M. Mooney (amended application). It was noted the approval referred to the amended plans of 24 February, 1998 upon which the Council had been consulted.

98/00133/FUL, kitchen extension and replacement garage at Windy Nook , Belle Vue Lane for Mr and Mrs Tomassen. It was noted the planning authority believed the property had reached its physical limit in terms of the impact on the scale and design of the dwelling and that it was likely any subsequent proposal for

an extension would be refused. Members believed the planning authority should be applauded for taking this action when necessary.

98/00245/FUL, replacement of flat roof with pitched over existing extension at Westcroft, School Lane for Mr. F Wilding.

(iii) Planning Appeal

97/01159/S73, removal of condition on planning permission 97/00241/FUL to reinstate permitted development rights at Whitegates, Park Lane, Littleton for Mr P Edge. It was understood this appeal had now been determined and had largely been dismissed. A copy of the determination had been requested by the Clerk

(iv) Current applications.

94/01053/FUL McKenzie King/Topaz/Norwest Metalising, Guilden Sutton Lane. The Clerk indicated there was nothing further to report at this stage as to the alleged breach of environmental controls which was being pursued by the Environment Agency. An undertaking had been given that the Council would be kept informed.

The Clerk reported he had been contacted by an adjoining occupier as to groundbreaking activities within the green belt at this site, as a result of which Councillor Gartland had visited. This had confirmed the deposit of materials within the green belt and other activities. 98/99 001

The Clerk had also drawn the attention of the planning authority to the apparent construction of a building on the boundary of the engineering service depot, visible from the A55. A reply from the planning authority subsequent to a visit had indicated that in addition to landscaping in accordance with the approved scheme, current activity was confined to the removal of accumulated material from the side of the existing access and to repairs to the roofing of a building which had been damaged by high winds over the New Year.

The issue had subsequently been pursued by City Councillor J R Boughton, from whom copy correspondence had been received. This indicated the operators wished to smarten up the whole site and separately to split internal site traffic to avoid parking

problems and improve internal health and safety. The company had been advised not to carry out any further works until they had received planning approval.

The Chairman indicated there was a 20 metre gap between the existing Poplar screen and the recently planted Cupressus and it was agreed the City Council should be requested to make a TPO to protect the Poplars which it was thought could be vulnerable in view of the past difficult planning history of the site. In particular, the Poplars were seen as delineating the industrial curtilage of the site. The planning authority would also be asked to confirm that all activity at present in progress at the site conformed with planning permissions.

Members expressed a degree of reserve at the position which would be discussed with the Chief Executive of the City Council during his visit in June.

95/01046/FUL, COU of redundant farm buildings to 8 no dwellings, swimming pool, tennis court, garages, driveway and improvements to the highway at The Byatts, Wicker Lane for Kilmorey Estates. There was nothing further to report at this stage.

95/01052/FUL, alterations to dwelling and COU to form garden at The Bungalow, Church Lane for Mrs. C Jones. The proposed improvement to the remaining area of open space adjoining the footway from Church Lane to Fox Cover would be pursued following the erection of the permanent fencing to the application site.

95/01166/FUL, two storey extension at Post Cottage, Guilden Sutton Lane for Mr R Fox. The revised application was awaited.

96/00359/FUL, children's day nursery, Wildings Yard for A V Wilding (Chester) Ltd. There was nothing further to report at this stage.

15 metre mast, two microwave dishes, equipment cabin etc. adjoining A 55 and Cheshire County Council Engineering Service depot for Orange Personal Communications. The Clerk indicated there was nothing further to report at this stage.

96/00881/FUL, liquid fertiliser storage lagoon (landscape proposals) at Tile Farm, Wicker Lane for Mr S J Arden. There was

nothing further to report at this stage.

97/00767/FUL, rear extension to accommodate swimming pool at The Brambles, Belle Vue Lane for Mr D Sandoz. The Clerk indicated there was nothing further to report at this stage.

97/01056/FUL, replacement of flat roofs to garage and porch with pitched roofs at 18 Oaklands for Mr D Smith. The Clerk was awaiting a response from the planning authority as to his request for details of the amended plans dated 20 October, 1997.

97/01146/S73, extension of time period on previous application 6/25443 for erection of circular underground reservoir off Guilden Sutton Lane for Chester Waterworks Company. The decision notice was awaited. Further inquiries would be made by the Clerk.

97/01302/FUL, extension at 1 Vicarage Close for Mr L Stephani. The Clerk was awaiting a response from the planning authority as to his inquiry concerning the ownership of the access between nos. 1 and 3 Vicarage Close.

(v) General:

(a) Parish Planning Forum: planning guidelines.

It was understood the Area Meeting had forwarded a response to the Development Control Manager as to the proposed planning guidelines.

(b) J Alan Wright Esq.

The Clerk reported the receipt, by letter dated 26 March, 1998, of an intimation from the Forward Planning Manager, Chester City Council as to his forthcoming retirement and entry into private practice. This was noted. The Council indicated their wish to thank Mr Wright for his past help and to send him their best wishes for the future.

(vi) Strategic Planning.

(a) Chester District Local Plan.

The Chairman reported he had met Councillor Roger Parkin,

Mickle Trafford and District Parish Council, on 15 April, 1998 to discuss the Council's proposals for providing safe cycling routes from Guilden Sutton to Mickle Trafford, Chester and Upton County High School, linking to the Chester Deeside Transport System. The Clerk reported the receipt, by e mail dated 16 April, 1998, of notes prepared by Councillor Parkin which were agreed as a correct record. It was noted there would be a need to rehabilitate or reconstruct an existing disused railway bridge over the working main line into Chester and to obtain the agreement of the occupier of Park Farm to the upgrading of an existing footpath passing the farm to a cycleway. A cycle ramp would also be required to the Chester Deeside Transport System from the service road on the south side of the A41.

(b) Cheshire 2011.

The Clerk had requested additional copies of the Spring 1998 issue of '2011 News' should these be available.

(c) Cheshire Replacement Minerals Local Plan.

Copies had been obtained of the core proofs prepared by the County Council. These were noted.

(d) Cheshire Replacement Waste Local Plan.

There was nothing further to report at this stage.

(e) DETR - Waste Policy and Sustainable Waste Strategy.

A copy of this strategy for sustainable waste management in England and Wales was received from the County Secretary and noted.

3. Parish Car Park.

The proposal that weedkiller should be applied to a two feet wide strip adjoining the boundary fencing to deal with the ivy rooted in the banking to the rear of the car park was revisited following the reserve expressed by Councillor Hughes at the previous meeting. The Chairman and Councillor Gartland, Parish Tree Warden, considered the ivy to be extremely invasive and to be supporting the fence. Councillor Hughes expressed concern that action to deal with the ivy would result in damage to the fence.

Councillor Gartland indicated he would be reluctant to apply a strong weedkiller in view of the possible effect on other flora. It was agreed the matter would not be pursued and that the Chairman would inform the adjoining occupier accordingly.

4. Leisure Services.

(i) Playing field.

The Clerk was making a renewed approach to other landowners as to the possibility of land becoming available for sale. The landowner had been approached by the Chairman on behalf of the Millennium Committee for permission to hold an organised football event on the field, supported by the Council as agreed at the previous meeting, and agreement had been forthcoming. This was noted with pleasure.

The Clerk reported the contractor had encountered difficulties with wet ground when attempting to cut the field and some damage had occurred which would be rectified in due course. Councillor Mrs Antrobus reported the ditch required cleansing. This would be brought to the attention of the City Council.

(ii) Play Area.

The Clerk reported the receipt of a satisfactory safety report on the play area dated 18 March, 1998.

This was noted. Councillor Fisher referred to the condition of the play bark and it was agreed the advice of the City Council should be sought as to its reinstatement, together with possible sources of grant. The need for pernicious weeds to be removed from the boundary hedging would be drawn to the attention of the contractor.

(iii) Public Footpaths.

(a) Parish Paths Partnership.

The Countryside Access Manager had been thanked for the County Council's support for the parish map guide project. The Parish Paths Warden had been thanked for the work of the Parish Paths Group in producing the map and maintaining and improving paths within the parish.

The Mid Cheshire Footpath Society were being informed of the Council's view that a diversion order was not necessary in respect of Guilden Sutton no 5/Great Barrow no 2 as described in the leaflet.

The Council had renewed their membership of the British Trust for Conservation Volunteers, as requested by the Parish Paths Warden. Mr. Armstrong would be informed of the action taken.

The Clerk reported the receipt, by letter dated 20 March, 1998, of the proposed sale of parish paths maps by Bookland of Chester and seeking the Council's agreement to the inclusion of the Guilden Sutton map in the trial. This was agreed.

(b) Footpath no 2.

It was noted the intended surface dressing had yet to be carried out. The Clerk reported a further incident of flooding at the junction with Belle Vue Lane which resulted in a great deal of water flowing over the path.

(c) Mid Cheshire Footpath Society.

The society's annual report for 1996/97 was received and would be forwarded to the Parish Paths Warden together with details of the society's annual general meeting to be held on 28 April, 1998. It was agreed the Council would continue their membership.

(d) Footpath no 7.

Councillor Hughes reported the intention of the Footpaths Group to lay further sleepers to assist walkers. Councillor Mrs. Antrobus said the path was now well used and supported the mass planting of snowdrops.

(iv) Pond Life Project.

Councillor Hughes indicated the Parish Pond Warden may not be in a position to continue during 1998/99. This was noted with regret.

(v) Grounds Maintenance.

Payment of the final invoice continued to be withheld as the agreed work to the play area by the previous contractor remained outstanding. It was agreed that no further action should be taken.

The Clerk reported the receipt of correspondence, dated 15 April, 1998, from City Councillor J R Boughton, referring to complaints as to clippings deposited following recent grass cutting in the Parish and suggesting a method by which the City Council contractor could be requested to carry out additional cuts at the Parish's expense with the removal of the arisings from the first cut. It was agreed that further information should be sought in view of the fact such action would not be possible during the current year for which a contractor had already been engaged.

5. Public Transport.

(i) Services: general.

(a) Sunday Service to Guilden Sutton.

The Clerk reported there was nothing further to add at this stage.

(b) Punctuality.

The Clerk reported he understood the reason for the late running of the 1110 and 1410 services ex Chester Bus Exchange was now known following an investigation by Chester City Transport and that appropriate remedial action had been taken. This was welcomed.

(c) Notification of changes to timetable.

The Clerk reported he had now obtained an accurate listing of services to and from the Parish from the Transport Co-ordination Service for possible inclusion in the newsletter.

(ii) Chester District Public Transport Liaison Committee.

Nothing further to report at this stage.

(iii) Rural Transport Information Point.

It was noted this facility had now been installed by the Transport

Co-ordination Service. Some reserve was expressed as to the utility of the content.

(iv) Bus Stop Sign, Guilden Sutton Lane.

The Clerk reported the bus stop sign at Wildings Yard, which had been in a poor condition for a number of years, had been damaged beyond repair and replaced by a flag affixed to the roof of the bus shelter. The Transport Co-ordination Service would be thanked for their prompt action. Councillor Mrs Astbury, local bus user contact, indicated, however, that the removal of the pole mounted sign had displaced the existing timetable frame which had not been replaced. This would be brought to the attention of the Transport Co-ordination Service.

(v) Accessible public transport services for disabled people.

The Clerk reported the receipt of correspondence, dated 25 March, 1998 and 15 April, 1998, dealing with a review of district wide accessible transport services for disabled people. This would be referred to the Local Bus User Contact.

6. Highways.

(i) Major schemes.

Information was received, by letter dated 17 March, 1998 that from 1 April, 1998, responsibility for the managing of trunk roads and motorways was to pass from Cheshire County Council, as agents of the Highways Agency, to a firm of consulting engineers. Winter maintenance would be carried out by a private contractor. This was noted.

(ii) Local matters.

(a) A 41/Guilden Sutton Lane.

The Clerk indicated there was nothing further to report at this stage other than a small minority of motorists continuing to regard the gap in the central reservation as suitable for two vehicles.

(b) Belle Vue Lane.

The Clerk reported the intended warning sign when approaching the sharp bend from School Lane was still missing and had been pursued with the Area Engineer.

(c) Footway, Cinder Lane.

The need for the surface to be swept was being kept under review.

(d) Cinder Lane - Church Lane.

Nothing further to report at this stage.

(e) Footway, Wicker Lane.

Action by the Area Engineer as to the obstruction of the footway close to the junction with Cinder Lane arising from the branches of trees in an adjoining property was awaited.

(f) Speed limit, Guiden Sutton Lane.

There was nothing further to report at this stage as to the Council's request for the provision of high visibility markings to reinforce the 30 mph limit at the approach to the playing field access.

(g) Moorcroft Crescent.

There was nothing further to report at this stage as to the intended maintenance to this road which had been confirmed in the 1998/99 programme.

(h) Footway - Middlecroft.

Action by the Area Engineer as to the condition of the footway in the vicinity of 4/6 Middlecroft was awaited.

(i) Grass cutting - Heath Bank.

The intended meeting between the Area Engineer and Councillor Mrs Astbury to discuss the change in the maintenance regime following the reversion of maintenance to the highway authority was awaited. Members remained of the view that the trees and shrubs thereon were insufficiently established at this stage to

allow the reduction in grasscutting envisaged by the highway authority. and that further work was necessary to enable the planting to progress satisfactorily.

(j) Condition - Wicker Lane.

There was nothing further to report at this stage as to the monitoring of the condition of Wicker Lane promised by the Area Engineer.

(k) Footway - Oaklands.

There was nothing further to report at this stage as to the intended repairs which it was understood had been put forward for inclusion in the 1998/99 programme.

(l) Road Traffic Accident, Guilden Sutton Lane.

Further information on the current position had been sought by the Clerk from City Councillor B J Bailey. A response was awaited.

(m) Deposit of mud, Guilden Sutton Lane.

There was nothing further to report at this stage as to the action promised by the Area Engineer.

(n) Highway works.

There was nothing further to report at this stage as to the minor repairs to footways and carrigeways within the Parish, referred to in a report to the City Council Highways, Transport and Road Safety sub committee of 15 January, 1998, which it was understood were due to be carried out during April and May.

(o) Turning movements, Willow Cottage.

Members revisited the proposal by City Councillor J R Boughton that appropriate direction signs should be provided at Willow Cottage to reduce the problem of misdirected HGVs seeking the industrial premises. Following a lengthy debate as to the merits or otherwise of the proposal, it was accepted that in view of other actions previously initiated by the Council to deal with the problem elsewhere in the Parish, the proposal would not be opposed although Members would prefer the legend 'works'. The

Council would indicate strongly that prior consultation with the Parish Council would have been appreciated.

(p) Street nameplates - Oaklands.

The poor condition of the street nameplates at the entrance to Oaklands opposite The Wood had been brought to the attention of the City Council Building Control Consultancy. Appropriate action had been promised.

(q) Area Engineer.

It was understood that following a reorganisation by the County Council, Mr R A Williams was to leave his position as Area Engineer, Chester Rural with Mr C Garner, at present Area Engineer, Chester City also assuming responsibility for the rural area. Mr. Williams was to transfer to South Cheshire. The Clerk indicated he might seek an early meeting with Mr Garner to appraise him of the situation so far as the Parish was concerned.

(iii) street lighting.

Nothing to report.

7. Finance:

(i) income.

Bank of Scotland

interest (February) £ 13.23

interest (March) £ 16.76

Chester City Council

precept 198/99 £ 7500.00

(ii) payments.

Glendale

grounds maintenance

agreed final stage payment £ 41.50*

Mrs R Mort

playing field rent

April - June £ 137.50

CPRE

subscription 1998/99 £ 17.50

Mid Cheshire Footpaths Society

subscription 1998/99 £ 7.00

* no further action to be taken. Payment to be withheld.

Proposed by Councillor Gartland

seconded by Councillor Mrs Astbury

and agreed.

(iii) balances

Bank of Scotland £12515.16

(iv) Audit.

The Clerk advised Members he was continuing his efforts to verify the derivation of certain amendments with the Council's records. The Chairman would sign the memorandum of matters arising in due course.

(v) Bank error.

The Clerk reported the receipt, by letter dated 23 March, 1998, of advice from the Bank of Scotland of an erroneous inpayment on 16 March, 1998 which had been corrected by the Bank on 19 March, 1998. This was noted.

(vi) Audit and Account Regulations.

Members considered a report by the Chairman arising from the NALC seminar held in February. This rehearsed a number of actions which should be done by the Council, some of which were already in place, and other points which should be taken into account. It was agreed the minutes would show the Clerk had been appointed as Responsible Financial Officer, which position had not previously been minuted; that Councillor Hughes would carry out a quarterly internal audit and that the Chairman would discuss the Clerk's tax position with the Inspector of Taxes although it was noted the Parish Council salary was declared and appeared as a deduction against allowances. The Clerk confirmed that a copy of the revised guidance booklet produced by NALC had been ordered. 98/99 008

8. Access to school.

Councillor Hughes reported he was pursuing his proposed site meeting with Mr I Makins, Chester City Council, to discuss this proposed scheme.

9. Environment services:

(i) amenity cleansing.

It was not known if the City Council had cleansed the footway from Fox Cover to Church Lane as requested. The Clerk had carried out an inspection of Belle Vue Lane and had asked City Councillor B J Bailey if a further scavenge could be carried out. Accumulations of litter and refuse at Hare Lane and Guilden Sutton Lane, including the playing field ditch, would also be reported.

(ii) dog fouling.

With respect to the previously irregular emptying of the canine faeces bins to the rear of Orchard Croft by the City Council contractor, the assurance furnished during the discussion with Mr S Jones that a permanent improvement in service would be achieved was being monitored although a specific inspection would be carried out.

The concerns expressed by Councillor Mrs Astbury as to the degree of fouling at Heath Bank and the need for appropriate

notices had been brought to the attention of the Dog Warden who would also be requested to advice on the possible provision of bins in Church Lane.

(iii) Litter bins.

With respect to the irregular emptying of litter bins throughout the parish by the City Council contractor, the assurance furnished during the discussion with Mr. S Jones that a permanent improvement in service would be achieved was being monitored.

(iv) lengthsman.

It was noted there was nothing further to report at this stage.

(v) sewers

It was noted there was nothing further to report at this stage.

10. Trees and hedges.

(i) Tree planting

Councillor Gartland, Parish Tree Warden, indicated there was nothing further to report at this stage.

(ii) Tree Preservation Orders.

Councillor Gartland, Parish Tree Warden, indicated there was nothing further to report at this stage, although he invited comments as to further trees which might be recommended for protection. He confirmed that work had been carried out to the Sycamore in the Memorial Garden. Members asked to revisit the specification for this maintenance. It was also understood that Tree Preservation Orders had been put forward for a number of trees in School Lane.

(iii) Shrubs, Oaklands.

There was nothing further to report at this stage.

(iv) Tree Warden scheme.

The Clerk confirmed the agreed donation had been forwarded to the Cheshire Landscape Trust.

11. Cheshire Association of Parish Councils.

(i) Account and audit regulations user guide.

The receipt of this updated guide was awaited.

(ii) Newsletter no 64.

Received and circulated to each Member.

(iii) Nominations for Honours.

A letter of clarification, dated 9 April, 1998, was received from the County Secretary and noted.

(iv) The Future Direction of NALC.

The Chairman reported on this consultation paper which he believed the Council could support.

12. Chester City Council.

(i) Relationships with the City Council.

The Clerk reminded Members the follow up by the Chief Executive would take place at the June meeting.

(ii) Maintenance of churchyards and burial grounds.

Details of this grant aid scheme operated by the City Council were being forwarded to the Vicar.

(iii) Past Uncovered, Spring 1998

Copies of this newsletter for each Member were received and noted.

(iv) Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996.

The Clerk reported the poster provided by the City Council had been reduced and published in the newsletter. This was noted.

(v) Minutes 22 April 1998.

The minutes for the meeting of the City Council on 22 April 1998 were received and noted.

13. Cheshire County Council.

(i) Town and Parish Council meeting.

Councillor Gartland reported he had attended the Town and Parish Council Meeting held at Tatton Park on Thursday 26 March, 1998. This had dealt with a range of matters although concerns as to the consultation draft of the replacement waste disposal plan had been prominent. An information pack was received and noted.

(ii) Community Care Draft Plan 1998/99.

A copy of this draft plan was received and noted.

(iii) Road Safety Matters.

A copy of this newsletter was received and noted.

(iv) Cheshire Environment no 52.

A copy of this bulletin was received and referred to the Chairman.

14. Cheshire Community Council.

(i) Cheshire Best Kept Village Competition.

In view of the poor response in previous years, it was agreed that for 1998, on a trial basis, refuse bags would not be circulated at the parish car park on the first Saturday of each month although the 'clean sweep' initiative would continue to be heavily promoted with the emphasis on local residents tidying in their own localities.

The Clerk indicated he proposed to reproduce the competition

poster in the newsletter. This was noted.

(ii) Subscription 1998/99.

The Clerk had confirmed with the Community Council that subscription renewal forms would be circulated shortly.

15. CPRE.

Correspondence was received and referred to Councillor Whitehouse.

16. Health.

Nothing to report.

17. Policing matters.

(i) Chester Police Forum 2 February 1998.

The Clerk had obtained copies of the minutes of this meeting which were noted.

(ii) Cheshire Policing Plan 1998/99.

A copy of this plan was received and noted.

(iii) Cheshire Lay Visitors Scheme.

Details of this scheme were received and noted.

18. Newsletter.

The Clerk indicated there was nothing further to report at this stage.

19. Millennium Celebrations.

(i) Parish.

The Clerk indicated the agreed interest free loan to the Millennium Fund had been forwarded with a simple Agreement to cover the condition requested by the Council.

The City Council had been advised to contact Mrs. D Buxton should they wish to have information

as to Millennium activities within the parish.

See also minute 4 (i) above.

(ii) City.

Nothing further to report at this stage.

20. Memorial Garden.

(i) Sycamore.

See minute 10 (ii) above.

(ii) Memorial Garden.

The adjoining occupier had been informed the Council would be happy to co-operate in seeking an improvement to the rear fencing to the garden.

21. Bulb planting.

It was confirmed that the mass planting of snowdrops on Footpath no 7 should proceed. Councillor Fisher referred to the lack of success of bulbs planted in a public area of the dell which had suffered from early grass cutting.

22. Land adjoining 2 Summerfield Road.

The complaints regarding the condition of this land were being revisited with the landowner. A response was awaited although it was believed the occupier may have changed address.

23. Periodic Electoral Review.

The final recommendations of the Local Government Commission had been received. It was noted these were in line with the Council's recommendation that Christleton should remain a two member ward and that action should be taken to redress the

imbalance as between rural and urban representation.

24. Web site.

This matter was to be progressed with Mr S Jones by Councillor Hughes.

25. Co-option of Councillor Andrew Arditti.

The Clerk reported that Councillor A Arditti had signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office. A short induction session had been possible.

26. Parking of cars on the footway.

The increasing prevalence of the parking of cars wholly or partly on footways was being raised by the Clerk with PC Pye with a view to a note appearing in the newsletter.

27. Campaign for Warm Homes.

Details of this campaign were received and noted.

28. Local Democracy Week.

The Clerk reported this Week was to take place from 1 - 5 June, 1998. He sought the Council's agreement to investigating the possibility of a profile raising event on Saturday 6 June involving the Council, City and County Councillors, the MP and MEP. This was agreed.

29. Planning consultations.

At the request of Councillor Hughes, Members confirmed their agreed approach which was that at least one other member should be consulted on all applications, rising to a special meeting of the Council to consider the most controversial applications.

30. Damage.

Councillor Gartland reported damage to the side window of 'Select' caused by youths playing football on the Village Hall car park. This was regretted.

31. Arrangements for the annual parish meeting.

It was agreed that Councillor Fisher would report on local planning and Councillor Hughes on strategic planning. The voluntary wardens would report on their own groups and the Chairman on the work of the school governors.

MATTERS CONSIDERED IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was proposed by Councillor Gartland, seconded by Councillor Hughes and agreed that the press and public should be excluded for the discussion of the following items on the grounds of (i) and (ii) possible enforcement action (iii) details of the financial affairs of a third party.

32. Occupancy of property, School Lane.

The Clerk reported the receipt of correspondence from the planning authority with respect to the enhanced enforcement regime which was now in place. This was noted.

33. Industrial premises.

It was noted these concerns had been dealt with in general terms at 2 (iv) above.

34. Fencing adjoining Village Hall Car Park.

The Clerk reported he had responded to the complainant as agreed by the Council at their previous meeting. The Clerk had also approached the planning authority to determine if the original planning permission was of any help in delineating curtilages in that area of the village.