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Parish Council Minutes

Guilden Sutton Parish Council

Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of the Council held on
Monday 14 January 2008 in Guilden Sutton Village Hall

Chairman: Cllr D Fisher

Present: Cllrs Brown, Fisher, Hughes, Kerfoot, Moulton, Paterson, Roberts.

In attendance: City Cllr S Parker.

Public Speaking Time.

There was no public speaking.

The Vice Chairman in the chair.

1 Apologies. Apologies were received from City Cllr B J Bailey, County Cllr E Johnson, PC M Baker.

2 Procedural matters.

(i) Declarations of interest.

Members were reminded that they should declare any personal interest which they had in any matter or item to be considered at the meeting. Any declaration must be made before the matter, or item, was considered or as soon as the Member became aware a declaration was required. Similarly, if the interest was also a prejudicial one, this must be declared and the Member must leave the room and not seek to influence any decision made. Declarations were a personal matter for each Member to decide. The decision to declare, or not, was the responsibility of the Member based on the particular circumstances.

Cllrs Fisher, Hughes, Kerfoot and Paterson expressed a personal interest in planning application 07/02315/FUL additional dormers to second floor storage and play area, The Woodlands, Wicker Lane CH3 7HE for Mr H Proudlove in that the spouse of the applicant, a former parish councillor, was known to them.

(ii) Resignation of Cllr R J K Bayton. The Vice Chairman reported the receipt, by letter dated Tuesday 8 January, 2008, of the resignation from the Council with immediate effect of Cllr R J K Bayton. This was received with regret. Cllr Bayton's letter would be circulated to each Member and further considered at the February meeting. It was agreed a letter should be sent to former Cllr Bayton by the Vice Chairman thanking him for his contribution to the Council and the wider community.

(iii) Chairman of the Council. It was agreed the Vice Chairman should act as Chairman of the Council for the remainder of the municipal year. The question of whether or not any formal appointments should be made of a Chairman and Vice Chairman would be visited at the February meeting.

3 Budget 2008/2009. A detailed report had been circulated by the Clerk prior to the meeting, for which the Clerk was thanked. It was proposed by Cllr Hughes, seconded by Cllr Roberts and agreed that a budget of £18,764 should be set. It was then proposed by Cllr Paterson,

seconded by Cllr Moulton and agreed that a 4% increase in the precept should be sought to £13,104.

In reaching their decisions, the Council gave detailed consideration to the financial risks in the budget including the likelihood, severity and level of risk together with the risk management procedures in place to control and monitor them together with risks associated with the council's operations.

Members requested the contribution to the Clerk's gratuity should be shown as a separate item within the budget and that the contingency should be adjusted accordingly.

4 Planning.

(i) Householder applications.

07/02207/FUL two storey side extension and alterations to access at Southcroft, Wicker Lane, CH3 7EL for Mr and Mrs Allen. Further inquiries would be made by Cllr Fisher and Cllr Hughes.

07/02287/FUL dropping of kerb to allow for driveway onto property at 17 Hill Top Road CH3 7HJ for Ms Tracy Lovatt. Further inquiries would be made Cllr Paterson and Cllr Kerfoot.

07/02315/FUL additional dormers to second floor storage and play area, The Woodlands, Wicker Lane CH3 7HE for Mr H Proudlove. Cllrs Fisher and Hughes reported. It was noted the proposed modifications had been completed. It was suggested the arrangement of the dormers at ridge height would probably be unacceptable in the modern part of the village. Cllr Paterson believed it would be unwise of the Council to impose a wide ranging view and the following response would be made:

"There is no objection.

As a point of principle relating to flat roof extensions at ridge height, the Council would wish the LPA to note their view this design may not be appropriate for properties in the more developed part of the village, although it is accepted that each application should be considered on its own merits."

5 Members Information Item

Year of the Garden. Cllr Paterson informed that grants might be available. She suggested consideration might be given to an open gardens event in the parish.