

## Minutes of Tempsford Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2008 at 7:30pm in the Stuart Memorial Hall

Present:		Arrived	Left
	Mr A Besant	Chairman	
	Mr J Donnelly	Vice Chairman	
	Mr S Cooney	Councillor	
	Mr C Bettles	Councillor	
	Mrs D Clerk	Councillor	
	Miss L Infield	Councillor	
	Mr I Gosling	Councillor	
	Mrs J Ward	Clerk	
	Mrs P Turner	District Councillor	
	Mrs J Davison	District Councillor	
	Mr J Scott	County Councillor	Unable to attend
	Ross Paterson	Beat Bobby	N/A
	1 Member of the Public		

- 1     The Chairman opened the meeting at 19:30.  
**Apologies for Absence**  
 Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. John Scott
- 2     **Declarations of Interest**  
 No declarations of interest were received.
- 3     **Approval of Minutes**  
 The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2008 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
- Public Session**  
 The member of the public spoke about speeding in Church Street, the pathway in Station Road and Children's Play Area spend.  
 The chairman responded to all points.  
 Cllr. S Cooney had received two quotes for work to play areas. Following discussions it was agreed to request Gilks Fencing Ltd to carry out the work. Clerk to write to all parties.
- 4     **Reports**  
 4.1 **Clerk's Report** *including Matters Arising from the previous minutes.*  
 The clerk reported the following items:
- Police Mobile Surgery is broken and awaiting parts for repair. PC Paterson will update us when it's ready for action again.
  - Children's Playground repairs. Work is due to start in the first week of April dependant on parts being delivered and suitable weather.
  - Work to the Millennium Garden Wall - Andy Bruce is liaising with Steve and work is being scheduled.
  - Confident Communities Funding application was completed and returned the 28/1/08.
  - A retirement letter for postman John Worsley has been sent through Steve Cooney.
  - The council agreed to the clerk's request for ½ funding for a training day attended on 12/3/08 £40 and registration fee for CiLCA qualification £70. ½ cost = £55.
  - The No Cold Calling Signs will be erected as soon as a new consignment has been delivered.
  - The clerk requested the completed return of Members Interest Forms.

### ACTION

Clerk

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		<b>ACTION</b>
4.2	<p><b>County Councillor - Mr John Scott</b> Please see report attached.</p>	
4.3	<p><b>District Councillor – Mrs Tricia Turner</b> Updated the council regarding Gypsy &amp; Traveller Sites, kitchen waste collection, and the new unitary authority.</p>	
4.4	<p><b>Highways</b> Speed Limit Review: The clerk had received a letter regarding the inclusion of the parish in the 2009/10 programme. Highways 5 year draft programme: The clerk had received a letter and information setting out the proposed programme for the next 5 years. Speeding in Church Street is still an issue. The collection of traffic data requested is unable to be completed because Highways do not have the necessary equipment.. Cllr D Clark quoted that this could be arranged for approx. £1200 + VAT. Cllr T Turner stated that an enforcement officer had visited the site in Station Road where it was reported that rubbish had been dumped. The site had been cleared.</p>	
4.5	<p><b>Councillor Liaison Meeting</b> Cllr. L Infield had been unable to attend the meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2008.</p>	
4.6	<p><b>Parish Plans</b> Cllr. D Clark updated the council. The requested funding had been approved subject to some slight changes in the budget. Clerk requested to resolve.</p>	Clerk
4.7	<p><b>Annual Parish Meeting</b> Cllr. Adrian Besant reported that the meeting had been well attended and received. It was hoped to broaden the scope for next year inviting the attendance and input of more local businesses. Some of the topics raised by residents were: Sewerage pumps being out of action. Reduced water pressure in Station Road. Cllr. T Turner agreed to contact Anglian Water on these points. Reduced Electricity supply in Church Street.. The willows trees growing in the ditch at Station Road junction. Speeding in the village. Mobile Police Surgery.</p>	
5	<p><b>Parish Partnership</b> Cllr Adrian Besant explained the Enhanced Parish Partnership Scheme. It was resolved to bring ideas to the next meeting. The clerk to circulate details to all councillors.</p>	All Cllrs. Clerk
6	<p><b>Grass Cutting for 2008/09</b> A quote had been received from A R Worboys. Following discussions the clerk was requested to query the price of hedge cutting which had increased by £200 Cllr. Adrian Besant explained that the grass verges are cut by Highways.</p>	Clerk
7	<p><b>Cemetery Matters</b> The clerk reported that two interments had taken place: Robert Alexander Crawford on 23/01/08 Victor Jack Hall on 26/03/08</p>	

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8 **Finance**

**Current Financial Statement**

The clerk reported invoices for payments, income received and stated the account balances as at 29/02/2008 as follows:

Savings Account	£15,060.02
Tempsford 2000 Account	£956.60
Current Account	£1,847.50
<b>Accumulative Total</b>	<b>£17,864.12</b>

**Payments**

<b>Expenditure</b>			
Date	Payee/From	Detail	Total
26/03/2008	Tempsford Methodist Church	Hall Hire Costs	£40.00
26/03/2008	Mrs J Ward	Clerk's Wages + Expenses	£477.06
26/03/2008	AK & RW Bruce	Work to Millennium Wall	£352.50
<b>Grand Total</b>			<b>£869.56</b>
<b>Income</b>			
Date	Payee/From	Detail	Total
23/01/2008	Steve Cooney	Tempsford 2000 donation/fundraising	£130.00
24/01/2008	G & H Seamer	Burial of R Crawford	£120.00
31/01/2008	HM Treasury	4% Consolidation Stock	£0.30
11/01/2008	Lloyds Bank	Interest from a/c 07423791	£41.13
12/02/2008	Lloyds Bank	Interest from a/c 07423791	£38.75
18/03/2008	Beds CC	Grass Cutting Contribution for Gannock Castle	£818.50
18/03/2008	Co-op Funeralcare	Burial of V Hall	£120.00
<b>Grand Total</b>			<b>£1,268.68</b>

**Other Finance Matters**

The Audit Commission proposes to appoint BDO Stoy Hayward LLP as the external auditor for a five year period starting with 2007/08 accounts.

Council Tax base for Tempsford has been set as Band D £234.

9 **Planning**

The clerk reported on the following applications:

9.1 **Applications Received:**

Plan Number	Location	Proposal	Out-come
08/00067/TPO	Tempsford Hall Cottages	Work to trees	No objections
07/01912/FULL	3 Holme Farm Close	Erection of wooden cabin	No .objections
04/00462/FULL	Land next to 1a Bakers Lane	Erection of detached dwelling & garage	Notice of approval
08/00122/FULL	57 Station Road	Demolition of extension. Erection of rear & side extension	No objections
08/00302/FULL	1c Bakers Lane	Erection of chimney breast	No objections
07/01530/FULL	6 Holme Farm Close	1 <sup>st</sup> floor extension to garage	Notice of approval

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07/01865/FULL	146 Station Road	Erection of dwelling	Withdrawn
07/01809/FULL	8 Ivy Close	Two storey side extension	Notice of approval
07/01100/FULL	Petrol Station Church Street	8 Dwellings	Notice of approval various conditions.
06/02113/FULL	Tempsford Hall	Erection of office building	Notice of approval of details

The clerk had received a letter confirming the street naming of the new dwellings in Church Street as Sawfords Meadow.

A Site Allocation consultation document had been received for Tempsford.

10      **Correspondence**

The clerk reported items of correspondence that had been received and noted.

11      **Next Meeting Date** which will be the Annual General Meeting was agreed as **20<sup>th</sup> May 2008 at 19:30** in the Stuart Memorial Hall.

**Future meeting dates:**

- 15/07/2008      Ordinary Meeting
- 16/09/2008      Ordinary Meeting
- 18/11/2008      Ordinary Meeting ( Budget Precept & Grass Cutting)
- 20/01/2009      Ordinary Meeting
- 17/03/2009      Ordinary Meeting
- 21/04/2009      Annual Parish Meeting
- 19/05/2009      Annual General Meeting
- 21/07/2009      Ordinary Meeting
- 15/09/2009      Ordinary Meeting
- 17/11/2009      Ordinary Meeting ( Budget Precept & Grass Cutting)

12      The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21:32 and thanked everyone for their attendance and contributions.

Jan Ward  
Clerk to Tempsford Parish Council  
6<sup>th</sup> April 2008.

I certify these minutes to be a true record of the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2008

Date                      20<sup>th</sup> May 2008  
Chairman                Cllr. A G Besant