Gaddesby Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Ashby and Barsby Parish Hall
on Monday, 4th February 2013, commencing at 6.45 pm.

Councillors Present
Mrs Jenny Hurst – Chair                                            Mr Neil Shorrock
Mr Howard Bakewell                                                 Mrs Pat Walton
Mr Gordon Bigam

Mrs Trudy Toon – Clerk to the Council

Apologies – Apologies were received from Borough Councillor Mrs Janet Simpson.

Parishioner/Public Time
There were no parishioners present.

Minutes – Minutes of the previous meeting no’s 2012/2013 54-58 and 2012/2013 59, having been circulated, were taken as read, approved and signed.

Matters Arising

1. Street Light Programme – Ms Sandra Townson at E.ON had suggested to the Clerk that an order is placed for the replacement pole bracket on the wooden pole outside no.24 Paske Avenue, Gaddesby at the same time as the new street light column at the top of Church Lane, Gaddesby. A quotation for the installation of the new street light column plus the replacement of the lantern attached to Stallard House, Ashby Folville and the replacement of the lantern attached to the Old Post Office, Gaddesby had been received. This being as follows:
   • Installation of a new street light column, Church Lane, Gaddesby –
     To remove and dispose of the existing bracket, £150.00 plus VAT.
     To supply and install one 5m column, with Swan neck bracket complete
     with Iffley 42W PL-T lantern, lamp and gear, factory fitted photo electric
     cell and double pole isolator, £1235.00 plus VAT.
     To transfer the service from the old installation to the new installation,
     £435.00 plus VAT.
     To paint one column with gloss black paint, £40.00 plus VAT.
     The total installation cost being, £1860.00 plus VAT £372.00 = £2232.00.
   • Replacement of the lantern attached to Stallard House, Folville Street,
     Ashby Folville – the lantern would be attached to the house with a Teca
     Wall bracket, which is the same as the bracket for the replacement of the
     lantern outside no.24 Paske Avenue, Gaddesby -
     To remove and dispose of the existing lantern/bracket, £150.00 plus VAT.
     To supply and install one D W Windsor Teca Wall bracket (in black)
     complete with Iffley 42W PL-T lantern, lamp and gear and factory fitted
     photo electric cell to provide ‘all night’ lighting, £1285.00 plus VAT.
     To transfer the service from the old installation to the new installation,
     £435.00 plus VAT.
     The total replacement cost being, £1870.00 plus VAT £374.00 = £2244.00.
1. **Street Light Programme cont.** –
   - Replacement of the lantern attached to The Old Post Office, Main Street, Gaddesby – the lantern would be attached to the house with a Teca Wall bracket, which is the same as the bracket for the replacement of the lantern outside no.24 Paske Avenue, Gaddesby -
     - To remove and dispose of the existing lantern/bracket, £150.00 plus VAT.
     - To supply and install one D W Windsor Teca Wall bracket (in black) complete with Iffley 42W PL-T lantern, lamp and gear and factory fitted photo electric cell to provide ‘all night’ lighting, £1145.00 plus VAT.
     - To transfer the service from the old installation to the new installation, £435.00 plus VAT.
     - The total replacement cost being, £1730.00 plus VAT £346.00 = £2076.00.

   Following discussion all Councillors agreed to proceed with the three proposed installations; the Clerk would inform Ms Sandra Townson at E.ON of this decision. Councillors asked the Clerk to enquire if the lantern at the bottom end of Baggrave End, Barsby could be replaced with the same Teca Wall bracket attachment.

2. **Unsociable gardening activities : No. 21 Baggrave End, Barsby** – After speaking to Mr Dudley, the Enforcement Officer at MBC, the Clerk reported that a decision would be made regarding the noise and unsociable gardening activities at no.21 Baggrave End, Barsby, within the next four weeks.

3. **Code of Conduct 2012** – The Registration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Interests Forms had been returned to GPC from MBC, stating that they had been downloaded onto the MBC website. The Clerk advised Councillors of this.

   Councillors felt that it should be optional for the information to be published onto the website. The Clerk was asked to telephone MBC to enquire if it is a legal requirement and to ask if Councillors have any say in the matter. Councillor Bigam would liaise with the Clerk as he did not wish his details to be published onto the MBC website.

4. **Council Precept 2013/2014** – An extra-ordinary GPC meeting had been held on Thursday, 17th January 2013, see minute no: 2012/2013 59, to discuss the setting of the precept for the forthcoming year. Following this meeting the completed MBC Parish Council precept form was forwarded to MBC.

   MBC had since supplied GPC with a breakdown as to how the grant figure of £713.78 is achieved; a copy of which was circulated to all Councillors.

5. **MBC, Parish Council Liaison Meeting** – The MBC, Parish Council Liaison meeting scheduled to take place on Tuesday, 15th January 2013 at the Council Chamber, Parkside had been postponed. A new date had yet to be received from MBC.

6. **Mud on the Highway, Baggrave End, Barsby** – The Clerk had telephoned LCC, Highways Dept, regarding the mud and debris on the highway at the bottom end of Baggrave End, Barsby. LCC advised that MBC, infact deal with enquiries regarding the road sweeper, therefore, the Clerk telephoned MBC to report the matter to them. Ms Clare Dorans at MBC, advised that she would pass on the details of the muddy highway to their road sweeping contractors, who would then, hopefully attend to the matter within the next two weeks.
Matters Arising cont.

7. Slippery Surface on Footbridge, Ashby Folville – The Clerk had telephoned LCC, Highways Dept, regarding the worn surface on the footbridge in Ashby Folville. The Clerk asked LCC to contact GPC if any further information was required; LCC had yet to contact the Clerk.

Correspondence

Correspondence was either emailed or made available to Councillors as necessary.

Planning Matters

a. The Bede House, 2 Folville Street, Ashby Folville – Application submitted by Mr John Unthank, for listed building consent, for the proposal to take up the existing quarry tile floor due to excessive dry rot and to replace with new quarry tiles and to also cut the bottom cord of two trusses. Councillors resolved to support the application.

b. Holmefield House, 30 Baggrave End, Barsby – Application submitted by Mr and Mrs A and C Ross-Wilson for the proposed erection of a two storey extension and porch. After careful consideration of the plans received, Councillors did not have any objections to the design and layout of the proposal, but had concerns that the extension contravenes the policy document OS2, in that the whole extension falls outside of the designated village boundary. Additionally, Councillors noted that when planning approval was granted in 2001 for the dwelling, this particular section of the house was refused planning approval due to this reason. The Clerk would write to MBC with the concerns/comments of GPC.

Planning Decisions

a. Morton House, 2 Highfield End, Ashby Folville – Application submitted by Mr and Mrs A Stroud for the proposed removal of the existing wood store and the construction of a single storey extension to the existing shoot room, has been granted planning permission by MBC.

b. The Stables, 16A Chapel Lane, Gaddesby – Application submitted by Mr and Mrs Goddard for proposed internal alterations to form an additional bedroom, bathroom and w.c and the erection of a small porch to the front entrance of the property, has been granted planning permission by MBC.

Representative Reports

1. Ashby and Barsby Parish Hall – It was understood that the Quorn Hunt had held their AGM in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, 30th January 2013.

2. Barsby Village Hall Green – Councillor Hurst reported that the fish and chip supper and quiz evening held recently had been very well supported and enjoyed by all. Also that some willow whips had been delivered to the Green in order to construct willow tunnels. Councillor Hurst informed Councillors that a flyer had been delivered to all the households in Barsby to inform them of future village events; a copy of the flyer was circulated to Councillors.
Representative Reports cont.

3. Gaddesby Village Hall – Councillor Bakewell reported that the slabs would be laid between the Village Hall and the School week commencing Monday, 11th February and at this time the work would be carried out on the sewage pump. Councillor Bakewell also reported that the Village Hall committee were looking into carrying out improvements/modernization to the Village Hall kitchen and that some members of the committee would be visiting Hoby Village Hall to look at the layout and design of their kitchen.

Finance

Accounts paid since the last meeting:
Parish Community Hub – Donation towards the Community Lunches Programme, total £100.00.
E.ON UK Plc – Street light energy from 01.10.2012 to 31.12.2012, £213.60 plus 5% VAT £10.68, total £224.28.
Street light repairs – Paske Avenue, Gaddesby £36.00 plus 20% VAT £7.20, total £43.20.
Two new street light columns, PL17 and PL22 Paske Avenue, Gaddesby, £3,370.00 plus 20% VAT £746.00, total £4,476.00.
Total cheque to E.ON UK Plc: £4,733.41.
South Croxton Benefice – 4th ¼ payment towards the church newsletter, total £62.50.

Accounts for payment:
MBC – RoSPA Play Area Safety Inspection, carried out summer 2012, £53.05 VAT @ 20% £10.61, total £63.66.

Payments Received:
None.

Estimated Balances:
Barclays Bank Business Reserve Account £16,981.87.
Barclays Bank Community Account £1,897.15.

Other Business

1. Arrow indicator signs, Rearsby Lane, Gaddesby – It had been bought to the attention of GPC that one of the arrow signs, which indicate a bend in the highway, along Rearsby Lane, Gaddesby was missing; the Clerk was asked to contact LCC to report the matter to them.

2. ‘Beware cattle in the highway’ sign, Rearsby Lane, Gaddesby – It had been bought to the attention of GPC that a ‘beware cattle’ triangle warning sign had been attached to the street light column situated on Rearsby Lane, Gaddesby opposite the junction of Main Street; the Clerk was asked to contact LCC to ask them to have the sign removed as GPC did not wish to have any highway signs attached to the street light columns and to advise them that cattle no longer cross the highway.

3. Community Speed Watch Scheme – Councillor Bakewell reported that the community speed watch scheme would be carried out again in Gaddesby in the near future.
4. MBC, Parkside Reception Acoustic Improvements – It had been noted, on a copy of an agenda for a meeting of the Policy, Finance and Administration committee at MBC, that the Head of Central Services would be requesting approval for some acoustic improvements in the reception area at the new Council Offices at a cost of up to £11,000.00. Councillors had concerns that such improvements should be necessary on a new building, especially at a time when cut backs were being made in many departments. The Clerk was asked to write to Lynn Aisbett, the Chief Executive at MBC to ask why these improvements were necessary.

5. Apologies for next meeting – Councillor Bigam gave his apologies for the March 2013 meeting.

6. Changes to the Local Bus Service 100 – Councillor Hurst reported that she had attended a transport meeting at the Samworth Centre in Melton on Wednesday, 30\textsuperscript{th} January 2012. Councillor Hurst advised that the meeting had proved very positive in that those attending made it quite clear that they supported a reduced bus service rather than the proposed demand responsive service. The Chair was reviewing demand responsive services run by nearby local authorities. Additionally, he suggested that Parish Councils work together to achieve a suitable outcome to the LCC proposal.

7. Church Newsletter – It was noted that County Councillor Orson had produced an informative printed flyer, which was then distributed by parishioners with the February edition of the Church newsletter. It had been noted by Councillors that the same information had been printed within other local newsletters or publications. Councillors were unsure if County Councillor Orson had asked for the information to be printed within the Church newsletter or if it was his intention to produce a printed flyer for separate insertion. Councillors had concerns that if it was the latter then the PCC should be reminded that GPC provide substantial funds towards the printing and publishing of the Church newsletter. The Clerk was first asked to contact County Councillor Orson to enquire if it was his intention for the information to be printed within the Church newsletter and then, if the answer is yes, to write to the PCC secretary to draw the matter to their attention and to ask why they were unable to act upon the request of County Councillor Orson as the flyer provided parishioners with important updates on current issues.

Arrangements for the next meeting:
Annual Parish Meeting followed by the Parish Council Meeting:
Monday, 4\textsuperscript{th} March 2013 at Ashby and Barsby Parish Hall, commencing at 6.45 pm.

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

Chair.