

# GREAT ADDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Meeting held in the Memorial Hall on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2008

### Present at the meeting.

**Councillors:** Cllr N Palmer (in the Chair), Cllr K Binley, Cllr P Eason, Cllr C Fry, Cllr C May and Cllr H Mayes.

**In attendance:** Mrs H Hoier (Clerk), Mrs J Mayes (Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator/Parish Plan Workgroup/School Governor), PC N Cowley (EN Central Safer Community Team) and PCSO G Cross (EN Central Safer Community Team).

### 08/093 Formalities.

**a) Apologies for absence.**

These were received from Cllr P Perkins OBE (GAPC), Cllr D Hughes (ENC Woodford Ward) and Cllr A Langley (NCC Irthlingborough Division).

**b) Information requests from members of the public/press on Council matters (as listed in the Clerk's report).**

Details of an information request received after Monday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2008 and the response prepared by the Clerk were noted (with particular reference to remedial work to the wall of All Saints Church).

**c) Disclosures of interest by members (and employees) in items on the agenda.**

There were no disclosures of interest.

### 08/094 Minutes of the meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> August 2008.

These minutes were confirmed by this Council as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

### 08/095 Parish Plan 2008

It was confirmed that the undertaking of this is a significant achievement and the role of the Parish Plan Workgroup (with particular reference to the Chairman and Mr D Cole) was acknowledged by this Council. On a proposal by Cllr C Fry, seconded by Cllr K Binley, with all members present in favour; it was resolved to adopt the Parish Plan 2008. The final document will be published on the website and it was confirmed that hard copies will be available at the cost of £3.00 each (minutes 07/106, 07/121, 07/163, 08/006, 08/024 and 08/035 refer).

### 08/096 Matters arising from previous meetings.

**a) Chairman's announcements.**

**EN Central Safer Community Team.**

PC N Cowley and PCSO G Cross were invited by the Chairman to summarize the relevant issues to this Council and/or to Great Addington and advised that participation in Community Speed Watch is a significant achievement. PC Cowley stressed the importance of reporting crimes promptly and with sufficient detail so that effective action may be taken.

**b) Items for information/delegated action (as listed in the Clerk's report).**

Details of these were noted and (with particular reference to the availability of 'Smartwater' at a concessionary rate) the Clerk summarized any information received/action taken since 18<sup>th</sup> August 2008 (minute 08/088 refers).

### 08/097 East Northamptonshire Council (ENC).

**a) Affordable Housing Seminar to be held at East Northamptonshire House, Thrapston on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2008 at 7.15 pm.**

An invitation to this was received but it was resolved that this Council will not be represented.

**b) ENC reports and publications (as listed in the Clerk's report).**

These were received and (with particular reference to documents relating to the Standards Board) the Clerk summarized the relevant issues to this Council and/or to Great Addington.

### 08/098 Northamptonshire County Council (NCC).

**a) Northamptonshire Minerals and Waste Development Framework Locations for Waste Development Supplementary Preferred Options (August 2008).**

It was noted that a hard copy of this document is only available upon request (it may also be viewed on the NCC website) and the Clerk was therefore authorized to respond online to the consultation on behalf of this Council.

- b) **NCC reports and publications (as listed in the Clerk's report).**  
These were received and the Clerk summarized the relevant issues to this Council and/or to Great Addington.

**08/099 North Northamptonshire Joint Planning Unit (NNJPU).  
North Northamptonshire Core Spatial Strategy (adopted in June 2008).**  
Details of this were noted and the document was circulated.

**08/100 Community.**

- a) **BT payphone on Main Street.**  
Details of available options to adopt/sponsor this were noted but it was acknowledged that the potential cost of any action might not be sufficiently justified. It was therefore resolved to defer any decisions regarding adopting/sponsoring the payphone on Main Street until the next scheduled meeting and the Clerk was instructed to obtain further information (minutes 08/057 and 08/065 refer).
- b) **Copy for the October 2008 issue of Saints Alive!**  
Items approved for this included the adoption of the Parish Plan 2008, the availability of 'SmartWater' at a concessionary rate and participation in the Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS) Programme/Community Speed Watch traffic calming schemes.
- c) **Reports of Addingtons organizations.**  
**Addingtons Playing Field Association (APFA).**  
Cllr C Fry reported that the APFA has compiled a questionnaire regarding the future of the Playing Field and that this will be distributed to homes in Great and Little Addington with the October 2008 issue of Saints Alive! The AGM of the APFA will be held at St Mary the Virgin Church, Little Addington on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2008 at 7.45 pm.

**08/101 Northamptonshire Action with Communities in Rural England (NACRE)/Northamptonshire County Association of Local Councils (NCALC)/Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC).**

- a) **NCALC County Training Partnership Programme (Autumn 2008).**  
Details of this were noted but it was resolved that no action will be taken.
- b) **NACRE/NCALC/SLCC reports and publications (as listed in the Clerk's report).**  
These were received and the Clerk summarized the relevant issues to this Council and/or to Great Addington.

**08/102 Finance.**

- a) **Payment of the Clerk's salary (July-September 2008).**  
Cheques 100251-100253 were approved for payment by this Council (following confirmation that the proposed transactions have been properly budgeted) on a proposal by Cllr K Binley, seconded by Cllr P Eason.  
100251 - £324.84 (Local Government Act 1972, s 112).
- b) **Payment to HM Revenue & Customs for PAYE (July-September 2008).**  
100252 - £18.79 (Local Government Act 1972, s 112).
- c) **Payment to E.ON for the lighting maintenance charge (July-September 2008).**  
100253 - £90.26 (Parish Councils Act 1957, s 3).
- d) **Quarterly bank reconciliation (July-September 2008).**  
This was received and it was confirmed that the net balance of £8,345.50 reconciles to the receipts and payments (minute 08/090 refers).

**08/103 Other business.**

- a) **Items for information/future meetings (as listed in the Clerk's report).**  
Details of these were noted and it was confirmed that they were all of significant relevance to this Council and/or to Great Addington.
- b) **Apologies for absence.**  
Cllr N Palmer advised that he may not be able to attend the next scheduled meeting and offered his apologies in advance.

**08/104 Date of the next meeting.**

The next meeting will be held in the Memorial Hall on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2008 at 7.45 pm.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.30 pm.

**Signed by Cllr N Palmer (Chairman) at the meeting held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2008.**