

## PLAYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of Playford Parish Council was held in the Village Hall on  
Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> March 2007  
2006 commencing at 7.30 pm.

### PRESENT

Dr D Lewis	Chairman
Mrs T Hanson	Vice Chairman
Mr C D Lofts	
Mrs J Gosling	
Mr John Day	
Mrs Tessa Innes	
Mrs S Cartwright	Clerk
Mr P Bellfield	County Councillor

### IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs S Herrington  
Mr R Herrington  
Mr T Norfolk

### APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from WPC Victoria Gilmore, Mr Colin Snowden and Mr J Leggett.

Dr David Lewis opened the meeting and thanked everyone for attending. Mr Peter Bellfield gave a brief overview on how SCC had been busy with the Budget before leaving the meeting. He informed us that he is going to remain very much in contact with the Council though due to illness he won't be attending meetings. Should anyone need to contact him his telephone number is :- 01473 735259. The meeting was then opened to the general public. An error was pointed out on the last minutes. "Mr C Lofts and Mrs J Goslings interest as Parish Hall Trustees" should read "Mr C Lofts and Mrs J Gosling declared an interest as members on the Parish Hall Committee". Also item 4 under The Parish Plan.... "All Parishes are required to develop a "Parish Plan" should read "It is the wish of Suffolk Coastal that Parishes develop a "Parish Plan".

#### 1. **TO RECEIVE COUNCILLOR'S DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA**

Mr C Lofts and Mrs J Goslings' declared an interest as members on the Parish Hall Committee. This was recorded in the Declaration of Interest Book.

Signed .....  
Chairman

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 3<sup>rd</sup> JANUARY 2007**

The minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2007, subject to the above amendments, were approved as a true and accurate record of the discussion at that meeting. The minutes were then signed by the Chairman.

The minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2007 were also signed.

**3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (not covered in Agenda items listed below)**

Abolition of the Slave Trade

Both Dr David Lewis and Dr John Day had spoken to Mr Brian Seward to see if there was anything further they could do to help with the anniversary of the abolition of the slave trade however it seems that Mr Seward has it pretty well tied up. Mr Mike Weaver from Woodbridge School had informed the Clerk that the money raised by the lecture on the night of the 22<sup>nd</sup> March would NOT after all be donated to the three African charities supported by the three parishes but would in fact be donated to the Urology Department at Ipswich Hospital. This was rather a blow as we had previously agreed that the African charities seemed an appropriate place for the money to go.

South West Area Parish Liaison Meeting

Dr David Lewis had attended this and reported back that presentations from senior Police Officers and County Councillors had been given but the main reason for the meeting was to introduce the LDF.

**4. THE PARISH PLAN**

Dr David Lewis updated us on the Parish Plan. There had been a meeting with the Chairmen and Clerks of the three parishes where the Agenda and Leaflet had been agreed. A copy of the leaflet had been distributed throughout the three villages. Councillors were given a copy of the leaflet to peruse. Playford was concerned that the Angela Cobbold Hall would be too small if there was a large turn out. Councillors were asked how they felt on having a joint Parish Plan. The majority of Councillors thought it was a good thing though obviously not EVERYTHING could be done jointly. On the same evening Great Bealings are running a Carbon Footprinting event which will be held after the Parish Plan Meeting. Dr David Lewis felt very strongly that this should not impeach on the Parish Plan Meeting.

**5. PLAYFORD WEBSITE**

This was coming on nicely and will be ready to go LIVE shortly. The Clerk was asked to advertise in the Parish Newsletter if anyone had any old photo's of Playford that could be downloaded onto the website.

Signed .....  
Chairman

**6. QUIET LANES**

Little Bealings, Great Bealings and Playford had set up a working party to tackle and co-ordinate thinking on traffic/highway matters. Dr John Day is our representative and he will report back from the sub committee after meetings. He asked us which areas we would like to be designated as Quiet Lanes. There was a mixed consensus of opinion. He also asked us how we felt about massive buses going fast down narrow lanes carrying only 1 or 2 people on them! This was another issue that the working party would hopefully tackle. The Clerk was informed there were some fairly large pot holes again down Dr Watson's Lane and near the Miller's House. These were to be investigated and reported.

**7. LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK**

A detailed consultation paper had been received 3 or 4 weeks back on the LDF. It was a chunky document. The Chairman described it as a Parish Plan for the entire Coastal District. Indeed it covered things as diverse as Planning to employment to environment to transport links. How to respond to it was the big question? Individually or jointly as a Parish Council? In the end it was agreed that the Chairman would write a letter which would be circulated around the Councillors and then sent off to SCDC. It would be left up to the individual Councillors how they wished to fill in the Questionnaire which everyone agreed was a bit woolly.

There was some debate over the place Playford had been put in in the "Settlement Hierarchy" and not everyone agreed that it was placed correctly. The Chairman would outline this in his letter to SCDC.

**8. PLANNING.**

**C06/2245/FUL 1 CHURCH LANE, PLAYFORD, IP6 9DS. Retention of garden storage building.**

Permission has been granted by SCDC

**C06/2291/FUL ROHAN, SPRING MEADOW, PLAYFORD, IP6 9ED. Erection of front conservatory.**

Permission has been granted by SCDC

**C06/2146/FUL HIGH MEADOWS, BUTTS ROAD, PLAYFORD, IP6 9DN Erection of replacement bungalow (existing dwelling to be demolished)**

At the time of writing the Clerk had not had a decision from SCDC

It was agreed that letters written to SCDC outlining the Parish Council's concerns should be sent to the people applying for planning permission as well.

**9. EXPENDITURE**

Cheque No. 100510 08.03.07 £5 Angela Cobbold Hall Fund

Signed .....  
Chairman

**10. CORRESPONDENCE**

The Chairman read out part of WPC Gilmore’s report which was to be circulated around the Councillors. Playford has become part of the Wickham Market Rural Team looked after by five police officers headed by a Sergeant. The official title of Community Police Officer no longer exists and has been replaced by SNT (Safer Neighbourhood Teams).

A letter had been received from Judith Dunnett of the Bridge Club asking if the Parish Council could do anything about “lighting” the area near the recycling bins which gets very dark at night. It was agreed that the cost would be prohibitive unless sensor lights were adopted. All agreed that the Council should send an acknowledgement letter to the Bridge Club stressing that it was in fact a Village Hall matter.

An email had been received from Mr Eric Metcalfe outlining the dangers of the height of the hedge outside Archway House since cables now run through it. A letter was to be written to Powergen as well as to Mrs Trish Laws who is thought to be the owner of the hedge.

**10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

12 children from Hollesly School were due to visit Playford Hall for a questions and answer session on Thomas Clarkson for Radio Suffolk.

Mr Tom Norfolk informed us that the wire netting has come down on Footpath No 7 - Church Lane and Spring Meadow. This could be dangerous to children and should be reported.

The meeting closed at 9.36 pm  
The Annual Parish Council Meeting for Playford will take place on Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> May 2007 after the Annual Parish Meeting commencing at 7.30 pm in Playford Village Hall.

Signed .....  
Chairman