

Gavinton, Fogo and Polwarth Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 25th March 1991 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, Gavinton.

Present:

Mr. A.D. Mitchell (*Chairman*), Mr. A.W. Frame, Mr. J.L. Humphrys, Mr. R.J. Markby, Mrs. M. Mowatt, Capt. R.M. Sinclair, Mr. J. Elliot (*District Councillor*) and Mr. A. Wood (*Regional Councillor*)

1. **Apologies for Absence**

These had been received from Mr. R.I. McCowen and Mr. D. Moffat.

2. **Minutes of last meetings**

The minutes of the meetings held on 21st January and 4th March 1991 having been previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. **Matters Arising**

- a. Fogo footbridge The Secretary had written as instructed, and had been informed in reply that the matter was receiving attention.
- b. Scotland in Bloom competition It was agreed to enter this competition again this year. It was hoped that someone would be willing to supervise the village's preparations for it.
- c. Newsletter It was reported that the first issue would be circulated by the end of the month.
- d. Parking space in Gavinton There was discussion of the difficulties of vehicles turning at the far end of the Glebe and a suggestion for alleviating the problem would be discussed further and taken up with the Roads Department if agreed.
- e. Trees overhanging footpath at Langton Ford Many of these had now been felled, but there was still one overhanging the path near the bridge.
- f. Overhead power cables. The Secretary had written but had received no reply as yet.
- g. Gavinton play area surfaces A reply had been received from the Dept. of Environmental Services quoted costs of replacing the existing hard surface with suitable safety material. These were very much higher than prices quoted in the catalogue of a specialist commercial firm which the Chairman had received. Mr. Elliot undertook to discuss the matter with the Department.
- h. Extension of pavements The Secretary had written and the matter was being considered.

4. **Policy regarding development in Gavinton.**

Mr Wood explained the situation regarding the Structure and Local Plans which were being prepared and which would be circulated for consultation shortly. The Council agreed to await the revised draft Local Plan before making firm decisions about its policy.

5. Borders Community Transport Group

It was decided to join the Group and to assist in any way appropriate to the Council's area.

6. Other Business

1. Keep Berwickshire Tidy Campaign Measures to be taken in connection with the campaign were agreed. The site of the bonfire needed to be cleaned up and the Secretary would write to the football and rugby clubs to request their assistance in cleaning up the playing field area. Local residents would be asked to co-operate by tidying up their own areas.

2. Dog Fouling Following a further complaint about dogs fouling the Green, it was decided to use space in the next newsletter to draw attention to this continuing problem and to exhort owners to prevent this.

3. Stones by roadside at Nisbet Rhodes It was reported that these could present a danger to vehicles at the junction and their legality was questioned. The owner would be consulted about the matter.

4. Dates of Council's meetings It was agreed that it would be helpful to publish the dates of the Council's meetings in advance in the Newsletter, as some residents still do not seem to read notices in the shop.

7. Date of next meeting

This would be the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 1st May.

Chairman:



Date: