

Gavinton, Fogo and Polwarth Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 8th October 1992 in the village hall, Gavinton.

Present Mr.R.M.Sinclair (Chairman), Mr.A.W.Frame, Mr.J.L.Humphrys, Mr.R.J. Markby, Mr.R.I.McCowan, Mrs.M.G.Mowat, Mrs.F.Purves, Mr.F.Seed, Mrs.C. Watt, and Mr.A.L.Wood Regional Councillor).

1. Apologies These had been received from Messrs. Moffat, Aitchison, Lamb and Elliot.
2. Minutes of the last meeting The minutes of the meeting held on 4th August 1992 having been previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.
3. Matters arising
 - a. Road signs The Chairman said that the double bend sign had not yet appeared and that he still thought that chevrons would be better on the dangerous bend. It was reported that the sign to Fogo in Gavinton would be erected within a fortnight.
 - b. Langton Burn footbridge The railings had now been repaired
 - c. Vennel lighting Mr.Wood reported that the Regional authority agreed that improved lighting was desirable but technical difficulties would make it expensive.
 - c. Scotland in Bloom The Chairman reported on the presentation ceremony in Falkirk Town Hall which he and the secretary had attended.
 - d. Sewerage flooding at No.4 The Glebe The secretary read a letter from the Borders Region stating that work would start in October 1993 to improve the capacity of the drains in the Glebe.
 - e. Vennel road repair This should be discussed on site with a District Council representative.
 - f. Red Brae lighting It was reported that this would be improved when the hall was finished.
 - g. Cobbles by Langton ford This matter would be kept under review.
 - h. Housing development in Fogo The Chairman reported on the letter he had received from the Planning Department about this. There had been no further developments.
4. Gavinton village improvement schemes

Mr. Frame reported on the meetings which had been held with appropriate representatives about this, and members had received a summary of the various proposals and comments. Scottish Borders Enterprise would like a complete package of items to be carried out at the same time.

There was discussion of ~~the~~ this at some length. It was agreed that residents should be given the opportunity to comment on the proposals and it was thought that a questionnaire would be more likely to obtain views than a public meeting. The chairman, vice-chairman and secretary

would prepare this and arrange its circulation to all residents of Gavinton.

5. Parking by the playing fields

This had now become a considerable problem. At times there were more than 30 vehicles parked on or off the road and the verges were in a terrible state. Members agreed that parking on the field would be the best solution. The secretary would write to the District and Region asking for their help.

6. Other business

a. Council charge - The secretary read out a letter he had received from the the Regional Assessor about the possibility of members of his staff causing concern by appraising the exteriors of houses and taking photos.

b. Paving defects in the Glebe These and a hole in the road would be reported to the Roads Department. The street lighting was also very dim.

7. Date of next meeting

This would be on Thursday 7th January 1993 at 7.30 pm in the village hall, Gavinton.

Chairman:



Date:

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