

GODMANCHESTER TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the TOWN COUNCIL held in the QUEEN ELIZABETH SCHOOL, GODMANCHESTER on the 21st SEPTEMBER 1989.

Present:- Councillor A.E. Sursham (Town Mayor)
Councillors B. Doherty, Mrs. J. Doherty, P.S. Forster, R.T.D. Hughes,
E. Kynoch, R.J. Marsden, Mrs. M. Middlemiss, L. Miller, R.C. Stokes,
M. Thompson, C. Vane-Percy.

Prayers were conducted by Professor H.P. White (Lay Reader)

Apologies were tendered on behalf of Councillors Mrs. B. Hennessy, M.J. Hopkinson, and R.W. Looker.

TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

The Mayor reported on two occasions on which he had represented the Town in a civic capacity.

In the Cambridgeshire Best Kept Village competition the Town came 2nd to Kimbolton in group L. There was adverse comment on the Roman Way site.

A letter from Anglian Water Services Ltd. explained that tankers were employed at the White Hart Pumping Station due to essential maintenance of the wet well.

89/048 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings on August 17th 1989 and September 7th 1989 were approved, and signed as a correct record.

89/049 MATTERS ARISING

Churchyard Wall

It was RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of this business the public be temporarily excluded.

The tenders for repair work were opened and discussed, and it was RESOLVED that the contract be awarded to Wm. Peacock Ltd. in the sum of £115 plus VAT.

Public Toilets, School Hill

In view of the history and legal responsibilities detailed in the Director of Planning's letter of the 18th September, it was RESOLVED to obtain 3 tenders for the necessary works, and after selection approach the District Council for a 50% contribution, as agreed.

Buttermel Meadow

A reply to the District Solicitor's letter of the 14th September was deferred pending discussions on the proposals from Twigden Homes Ltd.

Twigden Homes Ltd.

A letter containing certain proposals relative to recreational amenity was distributed, and Councillors would be in a position to debate this following the Planning Meeting on the 5th October.

Local Policing Plan

A meeting has now been arranged for Monday the 16th October 1989.

89/050 ACCOUNTS

It was RESOLVED that the following payments be APPROVED:

	£
I.S. Munro	14.37
British Gas	94.55
Eastern Electricity	77.19
Woolverstone Marina	278.90
Lawnmower Services	10.35
H. Shepherd	333.07
R.W. Looker	23.60
Anglian Water	13.82
R.R.C. Stokes	21.40
G. Brown	100.00
Commissioners of Inland Revenue	90.20
David Ball Co. Ltd.	680.34

89/051 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

The undermentioned applications were considered and it was RESOLVED that the Director of Planning be informed that the Town Council recommend:-

89/1024 Erection of Petrol Filling Station)		
89/1379 Restaurant and Lorry Park)	A14/A604 site	Previous Refusal
89/1493 Landscaping Scheme)		Confirmed
89/1843 Approval of Reserved Matters	-	A14/A604 site	Refusal (Unan)
89/1832 Conversion of Barn	-	7 Cambridge Road	Approval (8F4A)
89/1846 Extension to dwelling	-	7 Pinfold Lane	Refusal (7F5A)
89/1854 Erect Mobile Units	-	County Primary School	Refusal (Unan)

89/052 RECREATION AND AMENITY WORKING PARTY

Letter re Play Equipment

Councillor Hughes explained that plans for the "toddlers" equipment were now being finalised, in conjunction with the Council's recreational equipment adviser. The safety surface at the new play area was now in place. The design and layout of the present equipment was the subject of professional advice before installation.

Allotments

In view of the request from the Allotments Association it was RESOLVED that one years notice be given to Smiths Gore to determine the present lease at 10th October 1990. In the meantime the Chairman of the Working Party would negotiate a smaller area to meet the Association's requirements.

Committee Status

A proposal to convert the Working Party to a Committee was not put to the vote.

89/053 GODSPA

Loan Agreements. It was stated that no reply had been received to Councillor Stokes' telexes to James Paine Brewery requesting details of the original loan agreement and amount outstanding at 1st January 1988.

In order to resolve the matter it might be necessary to pay an amount into a joint account with the Trustees, subject to legal advice.

Roadway

It was AGREED that surfacing of the roadway would be necessary to protect from damage, and quotations for asphaltting would be obtained.

89/054 REDLANDS

Councillor Miller circulated a map of restoration proposals from Redlands.

A map produced by the District Council in October 1988 showing the proposed route of new footpath no.4. will be circulated.

The Meeting closed at 10.55 p.m.

AB Sursham