At the Meeting of Grimley Parish Council held on 9th September 2013 in The Peace Hall, Sinton Green commencing at 7.30pm

Present: B R Woodhouse (Chairman) Mrs A Davies S Haslewood B Jones

G Rowberry Mrs M Weston

In Attendance: DCllr D Clarke* Mrs S Hughes - Clerk

Apologies: D Arr (accepted) Mrs P Ayers D Lewis WCCllr P Grove

133/13 Declarations of Interest

- a) Register of Interests: There were no changes notified
- b) To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature: There were none.
- c) To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature: There were none.
- 134/13 To Consider Written Requests from Councillors for the Council to Grant a Dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011): There were none.
- 135/13 Report from the Local Police Officer

The CPO had advised that other than one domestic incident there had fortunately been no police activity within the parish during the past month.

136/13 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 19th August 2013, having been previously circulated were **approved** and signed by the chairman as a correct record.

137/13 Matters Arising from the Minutes Not Listed Elsewhere on the Agenda a) Min 132: Response by Emergency Vehicles: The Fire Brigade had advised that they had arrived at the site of a fire in Moseley Road within nine minutes but that it then took a further 21 minutes for the fire crew to locate the incident. The Deputy Fire Officer had extended an invitation to members to visit the Control Centre. Members were enthusiastic and requested that the invitation be accepted for a mutually convenient time during November.

It was also noted that the Fire Brigade had recently attended a fire on Monkwood Green.

Closure of the meeting to allow the public present to speak on any matters relating to Grimley Parish. There were no parishioners present

138/13 Report of the County Councillor

Cllr Grove had submitted his apologies due to required attendance at another Parish Council meeting.

- 139/13 Planning: a) To consider planning applications referred by MHDC for comment: There were none.
 - b) To Consider Under the Scheme of Delegation any Planning Applications received between publication of this agenda and the Meeting: There were none.

c) Details of Decision Notices Received from MHDC:

13/00884/FUL Detailed planning application to provide details for Outline

Planning Approval 09/01030/OUT and extension

13/00198/OEX plus additional ancillary accommodation on

site. The Retreat, Grimley

Granted 5th September 2013

d) Grimley Raceway: Members advised that the recent meeting was extremely noisy.

- e) Electronic Consultation on Planning Applications: No update was available.
- **f)** Assets of Community Value: Members noted the previously circulated document and following discussions agreed to review the matter at a later date.

140/13 Highways & Footpaths

- a) Min 127a: Stones/chain-link on Highways Verge: WCC had provided written advice with regard to insurance: members agreed to display the detail on noticeboards and include an item in the Newsletter.
- **b)** Min 127b: Sewerage on the Footpath adj Windyridge: WCC Inspectors had visited the area; notification of their decisions was awaited.
- c) Closure of Temporary Footpath: Members noted that a temporary footpath across the re-instated land at Retreat Farm had been closed on the instruction of WCC.
- **d) Overgrown Footpaths:** Members noted that several paths within Grimley Village were impassable due to overgrown vegetation. The clerk to advise the appropriate officer at WCC.

141/13 Monkwood Green

- a) Drainage of the Large Pond and Local Ditches: Members agreed that a local contractor should be asked to investigate the area and if possible clear all drainage channels.
- **b) Mowing:** Members noted that the general mowing had been completed with the exception of verges, visibility splays and area in front of The Fox.

142/13 Sinton Green

- **a) Drainage & Gullies:** Members advised that Highways had completed the work adjacent to The Old Post Office. There had not been any heavy storms since that time to test the effectiveness of the work.
- **b) Pond Clearance:** Members were absolutely delighted with the work undertaken on the pond and **agreed** to write to the plant operator expressing their thanks. Cllr Rowberry had purchased and spread grass seed on the relevant areas.

143/13 Report of the MH District Councillor

Cllr Dean Clarke advised that:

the planning application in respect of the Fishing Lodges had been approved subject to reports on the external lighting and treatment of any methane gas found on site;

more parishioners had volunteered to make statements regarding the noise nuisance at the Raceway. The initial court appearance was likely to be scheduled for December;

the fencing at Tinkers Coppice would be re-instated to prevent the contractors constantly using 'the gap' as a gateway.

^{*}DCIIr Dean Clarke arrived during the following item.

Members queried the various planning permissions for the Raceway and remarked once again on 'unchecked development' in the area.

144/13 Finance

- a) Works for the Lengthsman: There were no areas highlighted.
- b) To Receive, Consider and Approve the Bank Reconciliation: Members noted and approved the previously circulated Bank Reconciliation.
- c) To Consider & Approve the payment of outstanding accounts: Members approved the payments of accounts as in the presented schedule (attached).
- d) To Consider the Purchase of a copy of 'Local Councils Explained': Cllr Mrs Weston requested that members consider the purchase of a copy of the book at a cost of approximately £5. This was agreed.

145/13 Reports from Representatives

- **Peace Hall Management Committee**: Members advised that: quotes were being sought to replace lights and repair of the flat roof; there would be a Rural Wheels showing of 'The Great Gatsby' on 26th September;
 - a Fashion Show was planned for 17th October.
- **b)** Tarmac Liaison Committee: There had been no recent meeting but members were advised that replacement hedging would be planted during October and that the new drain had not yet been installed.
- c) Grimley Smaller Charities: Cllr Woodhouse advised that the final documents had been signed and accounts submitted for audit.

146/13 Correspondence

The meeting closed at 8.40pm

- a) Any Matters Arising from the CALC Circulars: There were none.
- **b)** Wichenford Local Heritage Group: Members noted that the Group had not been able to secure sufficient funds for their original proposals but had offered a local talk in the Peace Hall at a cost of £45. Members unanimously agreed to fund such an evening and to offer the event to the Peace Hall Committee as a fund-raising function.

(21st October 2013)

147/13 Items of Parochial Interest for Information Only

No matters were raised.

Chairman	