

## **ELSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL**

**Environment Committee on Wednesday 15 December 2004  
9.00pm at Elsworth School**

### **Present**

James Witheroe  
Robin Grange  
Alan Farrow  
Ian Maddison

### **1 Apologises**

There were no apologise.

### **2 Minutes of November 10, 2004 meeting**

The minutes of the 10 November were agreed and signed as a fair record of that meeting.

### **3 Matters arising**

#### **Co-option**

It was agreed that the issue of co-option would need to be considered at a full Parish Council meeting.

#### **Terms of reference**

IEM reported that he had given the comments on the terms of reference from the previous meeting to the Clerk.

### **4 and 5 Maintenance requirement and budget for 2004-05**

It was agreed to budget for five cuts and further bridge painting (£1,750), various village maintenance items (totalling £1,050) and £15,000 to cover flood work related issues. AF noted that no payment had yet been made in respect of clock winding. IEM agreed to follow up with the clerk.

### **6 Fardell's Lane culvert**

IEM reported that a request had been made to halt work whilst the height of the culvert headwall is reconsidered. It was subsequently agreed by CCC/Gurney's to reduce the height and it has since been lowered.

### **7 Water Lane water/Channel around school**

It was noted that the Environment Agency had requested further and more detailed plans of the channel behind the school and at the end of the two month period had refused consent in the absence of that information. It was agreed that B Flynn be asked to look at what was required to see whether the matter could be progressed and at what cost. IEM also reported that he had spoken to Pat Matthews of SCDC but they were unable to help at this stage.

## **8 De silting**

IEM reported that following two recent calls he had been unable to establish whether Dawson's would be able to undertake the de silting but agreed to keep trying.

## **9 Bollards at the end of Broad End**

It was agreed that low level bollards, similar to those at the Poacher, would be acceptable.

## **11 Church gate repairs**

It was noted that there was no further quote or explanation regarding the church gates. JW however said that his enquiries indicated that because of the apparent poor quality of hard wood gates he had recommended to go with soft wood treated with white Sadolin. On the basis of this advice and that the white would match the fence it was agreed to amend the request of a quote accordingly.

## **12 Submissions for Local Access Forum**

No submission was recommended.

I E Maddison  
Chairman