Minutes of the meeting of Great Ponton Parish Council held at the Village Centre, Great Ponton on Monday 8th April 2013 at 7.30pm.

Present:

Cllr P Jackson (Chairman)

Cllr G Thompson (Vice Chairman)

Cllr Mrs C Carpenter, P Carpenter, G Taylor, I Cruickshank.

Five members of the public.

Apologies:

An apology for absence was received from Cllr H Watson.

24/13 Declarations of Interest:

No Declarations of Interest were declared.

25/13 Minutes:

The Minutes of the meeting held on 4th February 2012, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman as a correct record of the meeting.

26/13 Matters Arising from the Minutes:

LCC - Water Leaks, Pot Holes etc

An acknowledgement was received regarding these problems and the work is to be put in hand. Anglian Water has been notified of the water leak.

Anglian Water

No acknowledgement was received to correspondence.

27/13 Public Session:

A resident of the village raised a question regarding the Village Centre Committee. It was thought that residents of the village ought to be allowed to attend the Village Centre Committee meetings. It was also stated that the meetings were not advertised and no minutes were available.

The Chairman pointed out that this was not a Parish Council matter but the general thought was that the original constitution ought to be referred to and that this matter should be dealt with by the Village Centre Committee.

27/13 South Kesteven District Council:

Details for the forthcoming elections were received.

28/13 Village Centre:

Mrs Barbara Fuber, Chairman of the Village Centre Committee reported that estimates for a new fuel tank, which needed to be replaced, had been received at a total cost of £2,300.

There were a few outside jobs which would be carried out when the weather improved.

The Licensee of the Village Centre had resigned and a meeting was to be held to discuss the matter.

Play Area

The refurbishment of the Play Area and now been completed and an Opening Ceremony had been carried out by County Cllr Roy Chapman.

The Play Area has been inspected and the Insurance had been arranged with Came & Company Parish Council Insurance to cover the period 12th December – 3lst May 2013 and added to the Parish Council Policy.

29/13 Community Playing Field:

Football Club

It was reported that there had been a few disciplinarian issues but all was going well. The Club had applied for Charter Standard. It is intended to have a tidy up around the field at the end of the season.

Jubilee Wood Sign

The Jubilee Wood Sign had now been completed and would be installed once the weather was better.

30/13 Planning Applications:

The following applications had been received:-

D Walton, JE Walton & Son,

Agricultural Barn, Railway Farm, Dallygate, Great Ponton.

Great Ponton Quarry, Dallygate Lane, Great Ponton.

Application for prior approval to reposition 2 No Stone processing buildings together with 4 No Ancillary storage containers and to erect 3 no additional stone processing sheds.

Mr D Booth 10 Dallygate, Great Ponton.

Single storey extension front extension to bungalow.

The Parish Council had no objections to these applications.

31/13 Local Government Boundary Commission:

Correspondence had been received from the Local Government Boundary Commission regarding the Electoral Review of South Kesteven. Cllr Carpenter explained how this would affect this area.

31/13 Accounts:

A Statement of Accounts for the period 5th February – 8th April 2013 was circulated and approved by Members. A Resolution was passed by Cllr Mrs C Carpenter and seconded by Cllr G Taylor and approved by all Councillors to accept the receipts and payments as shown.

32/13 Miscellaneous Village Matters & Correspondence:

Cllr P Carpenter reported that a bogus group were hiring Village Halls and Parking facilities for "raves" – this information had been passed onto the Village Centre Chairman.

Sewage problems and smells were still a problem in the Village and the Clerk was asked to report this to Anglian Water.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.10pm.