

# **Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish of Glenfields held at Park House, Stamford Street, Glenfield on Monday, 14 April 2008 at 7:30 pm.**

**PRESENT:** 30 persons.

The Chair of the Parish Council, L Breckon, welcomed those present to the meeting.

**1. APOLOGIES:**

J Peachey, L Stead (Glenfield Primary School), J Springthorpe, District Councillor  
J Hudson.

**2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:**

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of 26 March 2007, as circulated, were approved.

**3. A REPORT ON YOUTH WORK WITHIN GLENFIELD:**

- a) Zoe Royal provided an update on the use of the Youth Centre in Glenfield, including youths working for accreditation and an increase in members, predominantly year 8, 9 and 10. The Youth Club would open on an additional day each week and the Entry to Employment project (E to E) was underway and had achieved an award. A good OFSTED report had been received, achieving level 3 and above in all areas.
- b) In answer to a question Ms Royal stated that a Youth Council was being considered.
- c) Ms Royal thanked the Parish Council for its continued support.

**4. A REPORT BY THE HEAD OF MARTIN HIGH SCHOOL:**

- a) Martin Furniss, Head of Martin High School, Anstey asked "Do you know how well our local schools are doing?" A recent report showed that the school was doing really well, coming 10<sup>th</sup> last year nationally out of 3,500 schools. In response to a question from Mr Furniss, Mr Culverwell, Headteacher The Hall Primary School, also commented on their high standard of teaching and learning, good curriculum and high expectations and opportunities.

Mr Furniss commented on how children no longer have the certainties of the past and need to be educated for their future and that they needed to be secure in life to be happy. The new aim is to improve the personalisation of education, with families having a greater impact on their children's education. The school was reviewing what they should be teaching the children by asking them, their parents and the community. Mr Furniss stated that children need to be capable, flexible and motivated.

55% of Anstey Martins students were from Glenfield.

**5. A REVIEW OF THE PARISH COUNCIL'S WORK:**

- a) The Chair of Council, L Breckon, presented a review of the Parish Council work over the last year, including -
  - i) Sports and Leisure Development.
  - ii) Maintenance and upkeep of the village.
  - iii) Raising Glenfield's profile.
  - iv) Working with Leicestershire Police and the Blaby LPU to set up and achieve the first parish based beat office in Leicestershire.

- v) Bikes for the police funded by the Co-op and head cameras purchased by local businesses and individuals.
  - vi) The upgrade and expansion of the allotment facilities.
  - vii) The employment of a full time member of staff to allow the Clerk to expand his role on behalf of the village.
  - viii) The winning of a grant won for sports provision within the Millennium Green.
  - ix) The support for the generation of new Parish Plan.
- b) The Chair of the Council thanked all councillors and staff for their work during the year.

**6. A PRESENTATION ON PARISH PLANS AND THEIR BENEFITS.**

- a) Charlotte Burt, of the Rural Community Council, gave a presentation on “What is a Parish Plan” and the need for Glenfield to consider such a project.
- b) In response to a request by Ms Burt six members of the public put their names forward to form a steering group regarding a new Parish Plan.

**7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:**

- a) There were no questions or items raised.
- b) The Chair of Council, L Breckon, thanked everyone for attending.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8:50 pm.