LITTLE BARDFIELD PARISH COUNCIL EXTRA-ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 8th FEBRUARY AT 7 pm AT WAINSFORD FARM.

Councillors Present; John Judson (Chairman), William Gardiner (Vice Chairman), Terry Cutmore, Mac Beanland

Items to discuss were access from the field owned by Andrew Davies over the Car Park owned by the Parish Council and Styles a private road owned by the residents and a request from Highways over footpath cutting for 2007.

Field Access

The field is up for sale and there are two persons interested in purchasing it.

Jim Andrews already owns land adjoining the field and has permission for access over the Car Park and Styles.

Mr Izod has acquired land at the rear of his garden and wishes to purchase the field, but no access has been granted by the Parish Council or Styles Residents Association to the owner Andrew Davies.

The Parish Council does not want extra access across the Car Park.

Derek Whitty (Chairman of Styles Residents Association) and Richard Wren (Footpath & Tree Warden) joined the meeting at 8 pm.

The Styles Residents Association has agreed that all residents of the village have the right to use Styles for access to the recycling centre. However, it would refuse permission for anyone other than Jim Andrews to have access over the road (the upkeep of which is paid for by 6 residents).

The Sub-Committee resolved that a letter be sent to Whirledge & Nott (Solicitors for Andrew Davies) pointing out that access from the field would not be available for the vendor over the Car Park or Styles.

Footpaths

Residents of Styles will back the Parish Council's appeal to register the pathway alongside The Chapel to the Car Park and along to the track as a Public Footpath. It had been used for many years as an access for walking dogs and a way through to the recycling centre.

The meeting agreed on the following footpaths as being the most important for cutting.

No 2 alongside St Katharine's Church No 5 from Chequers to Beslyns, No 13 from Alders to Paul Croft, No 15 from Mill House to Copford Hall.

Clerk to inform Highways plus the length of the paths as requested.

Repairs to bridges on No 2 and No 13 and clearance on No 5 plus removal of encroaching hedgerow on No 13 would also be requested.

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm.