

Sibford Gower Parish Council**Minutes of the Parish Council Extra Ordinary Meeting
held at The Mount, Sibford Gower on Monday, 10th March 2008****Present**

Parish Councillors Peter Abbott, Muriel Chandler, Martin Layer and Robin Spicer (Chairman).
The Clerk.

Absence from Meetings

The Councillors discussed the absences from Meetings of Cllr Eric Payne. His last attendance was at the Meeting held on 13th September 2007.

Section 85 of the 1972 Government Act states that a member of a local council ceases to be a member of the council if he/she fails throughout a period of six consecutive months from the date of his/her last attendance to attend any meetings of the council unless his/her absence was due to some reason approved by the council.

The cause of Cllr Payne's absences is well known to and perfectly understood and accepted by the other Councillors in that ill-health and subsequent hospitalisation prevented his attendance.

Proposed by Cllr Peter Abbott and seconded by Cllr Muriel Chandler, it was resolved that the absences since the Meeting on 13th September 2007 of Parish Cllr Eric Payne because of illness be accepted as a true and valid reason by the Parish Council.

The Clerk was instructed by the Parish Council to write to Cllr Eric Payne in The Horton Hospital expressing its very best wishes for a speedy recovery.

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