

NEWBOLD PACEY AND ASHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 4th NOVEMBER 2009

PRESENT: Councillors: S Bolton (Chair), C Thornton,
J Cooper, C Pate
District Cllrs: R Wright and D Close (from 8.30pm)
County Cllr: D Johnston (from 8.45pm)
Clerk: P Routly
And 2 members of the public.

1. Public participation

None.

2. Declaration of Interests

None.

3. Apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllr Main, Cllr Boardman and Cllr Cook .

4. Approval of Minutes of previous meeting held on 2nd September 2009.

The Minutes of the meeting held on 2nd September 2009 were unanimously accepted as a true record of proceedings.

5. To approve and sign the minutes of the planning meeting held on 5th October 2009

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6. Matters arising

a. Ashorne Phone Box – update

The Clerk informed the meeting that Stratford District Council had responded to BT and had supported the Parish Council's objection to the removal of the phone box. The response from BT is awaited. Cllr Bolton asked the Clerk to check that the Newbold Pacey phonebox was insured for theft and public liability. *Clerk to check.*

b. Clock painting

The Clerk informed the meeting she had received a letter from Mr Empringham requesting support in painting the clock tower. The clerk informed the meeting she had reviewed the files and found whilst the Council was responsible for the maintenance of the clock as long as it wished there was no mention of the clock tower. As Mr Empringham was not present it was agreed to form a small sub committee consisting of Cllr Bolton and Cllr Cooper to meet with Mr Empringham to discuss the matter . *Cllr Bolton to arrange meeting with Mr Empringham.*

c. Flood box location

Cllr Bolton informed the meeting the box was in place and full of sand, empty sandbags and a shovel. One key was on the village hall key ring. It was resolved unanimously to purchase a small 'break for emergency' box to store another key outside the hall. Cllr Bolton requested the Councillors look out for a small box to store other emergency equipment in the hall. It was requested that Cllr Thornton put an article in the Village Hut News informing the village of the flood box location.

d. Footpaths update

Cllr Bolton informed the meeting the footpaths group had allocated and survey 95% of the paths , and would have another meeting before Christmas. Mr Empringham had complained in his letter about 'mangold wurzels' cover the footpath to Ashorne Hill, Cllr Bolton said he would ask Mr Philpot to investigate.

e. Gritting

The Clerk informed the meeting that despite consultation via the Community Forum Warwickshire County Council had not change its gritting routes for the forthcoming winter and Ashorne therefore was not on the gritting route. It was resolve to pursue via Cllr Johnston and raise again at the next Community Forum which is in Ashorne. *Clerk to write to Cllr Johnston requesting support.*

f. Horse warning signs

The Clerk informed the meeting that a Parishioner at the last planning meeting raised the lack of horse signs as an issue. There were two new livery stables in the Parish, and many more horses on the roads. It was resolved to take up with Cllr Johnston. *Clerk to write to Cllr Johnston.*

7. Planning

a. New Applications to consider

None.

b. Decisions of committee

All decisions are contained within minutes of planning meeting on 5/10/2009.

c. District Decisions for information

09/01558/TREE T1 pine: shorten back limbs overhanging roof of neighbouring Toad Hall . Crown thin by 10%. Staddle Stomes, Ashorne , Warwick , CV35 9DR.

Granted with Conditions

09/01774/TREE T1 Magnolia: prune out deadwood. Shorten back to limbs to give 1.5m clearance from neighbouring property. Prune to clear telephone lines. Meriecot, Ashorne, Warwick, CV35 9DR Granted with Conditions.

09/01875/TREE Tree works, Newbold Pacey Hall , Newbold Pacey , Warwick, CV35 9DP. Granted with Conditions.

d. Planning enforcement Update.

Crane Hill – feedback on meeting with enforcement – Cllr Wright

Cllr Wright informed the meeting he had met with Pat Reid (Head of Planning) and Clare Eynon (Head of Enforcement) to escalate the enforcement issues. He stated that as there was evidence of an existing gateway that enforcement for this issue would not be pursued. However, the residential use continued to be investigated. He also stated that Enforcement were continuing to look at Cobb House Cottage.

8. Finance

a. Approval of payments

The following payments were proposed by Cllr Bolton, seconded by Cllr Thornton and approved unanimously.

1.	4/11/09	Mr Tarver – mowing	£60.00
2.	4/11/09	Village Hut Printing	£10.65
3.	4/11/09	Severn Trent – allotment water	£46.10
4.	4/11/09	P Routly - Salary (Sept/Oct)	£333.76
5.	4/11/09	P Routly Back pay (Apr to August)	£10.60
6.	4/11/09	P Routly – Expenses (Sept/Oct)	£27.80
7.	4/11/09	BPS – sand for floodbox	£36.79

b. Receipts

The Clerk reported the following receipts

1.	Precept	£2362.50
2.	Wayleave	£20.68

c. Approval of Clerk's annual salary increase (1.25%) in line with national agreement

The pay rise was proposed by Cllr Bolton, seconded by Cllr Thornton and approved unanimously.

d. Mid year financial status

The Clerk presented the mid year status, the Council has £625 in hand against the 2009/10 budget.

9. District Councillor's report

Cllr Close informed the meeting that the new recycling system was working well with the District achieving a 64% recycling rate, one of the best in the Country, and would soon be extending to other plastic and foils. He explained the future housing plan was still being discussed and there could be a further requirement of 2 to 3 thousand homes over and above current plans between 2021 and 2026. The future structure of Stratford District Council was under discussion, with the aim of becoming more people focused, as many Cllr's currently had no influence over decisions. Finally he reminded everybody the next Community Forum is at Radway on 5th November.

10. County Councillor's report

Cllr Johnston informed the meeting the Wellesbourne meeting for the Fire service review had been moved to Kineton on 17th November. Although there were no plans to change the service at Wellesbourne he requested the Parish Council write and support the Fire Station, this was agreed. He informed the meeting he had heard nothing from Severn Trent about the water main replacement. He informed the meeting he was going to meet with WCC Highways Maintenance in the Parish on 12th November to look at specific issues. Cllr Bolton agreed to be present. Finally he stated WCC was considering speed reduction measure on C and D roads County wide, and asked the whether the Council had any particular concerns. It was agreed unanimously that the road to Moreton Morrell from the B4100 and the road from the square to Harwood's House should have a reduced speed limit. *Clerk to confirm to Cllr Johnston in writing.*

11. Correspondence

A letter had been received from Mr Boardman asking whether the sheep fence should be removed when he vacates his allotment. It was resolved to leave the fence in place. *Clerk to write to Mr Boardman.*

12. Matters of interest/Any other business

A Parishioner had informed Cllr Boardman that trees had been cut down on the Holloway by a utility Company , Cllr Bolton said he would investigate .

13. Any Other Business allowed by Chairman as Urgent

None.

14. Date of next meeting

It was resolved that the next meeting is to be held in the Ashorne Village Hall on Wednesday 6th January 2010 at 7.30 pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00pm.