

NEWBOLD PACEY AND ASHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 7th September 2011

PRESENT: **Councillors:** S Bolton (Chair), C Pate,
J Cooper, P Cook
District Councillors: D Kendall, R Wright , S Main
County Councillor: D Johnston
Clerk : P Routly
and 6 members of the public

1. **Public participation**

None.

2. **Declaration of Interests**

None.

3. **Apologies for absence**

Cllr Boardman and Cllr Thornton.

4. **Approval of Minutes of previous meeting held on 6th July 2011.**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 6th July were unanimously accepted as a true record of proceedings.

5. **Matters arising**

a. Fire Safety Checks – James Collins

Mr Collins was unable to attend due to illness. It was resolved to invite him to the next meeting.
Clerk to arrange.

b. Village Hall Entrance feedback – Clerk

The Clerk reported that Graham Stanley from WCC was expecting the Parish Council to fund the road markings which were quoted as £336.21 . It was resolved to write again and ask that WCC fund. In terms of the hedge cutting Cllr Bolton confirmed he had asked residents to deal with. *Clerk to write to WCC.*

c. Village Garden Lease – Clerk

The clerk informed the meeting that SDC had informed her the lease ran out in April and the land had be vacated, as a land review was being undertaken there was not an option to renew at this stage. After discussion it was resolved to inform SDC that should the option arise the Parish Council would wish to renew at a nominal fee. *Clerk to inform SDC.*

d. Cricket Club rates – Clerk

The Clerk informed the meeting that the Cricket Club had written informing the Council of a rate rise in 2012/13. In effect they are going to lose the discretionary 80 % reduction and the rates would rise to circa £1800 making the club potentially un-viable. The club was asking for the Council's support in fighting this increase. After discussion it was resolved to lobby MP's and Cllr's . The club would also investigate registering as a Community Amateur Sports Club. The subject of the benches on the cricket ground was also raised, one has been vandalized (in memory of Mandy Wyatt) and the other is worn out (purchase at Golden Jubilee) . It was resolved to look into replacing one bench to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee and repair the other. Cllr Cook proposed the repair, Cllr Pate seconded and it was carried unanimously. All Cllr's agreed the vandalism was unacceptable. *Clerk to arrange repairs.*

e. Woosley Brook

It was resolved a meeting would take place between Mr Darling, Mr Little, Cllr Bolton, Cllr Johnston and Mr Bones of WCC. *Cllr Bolton to arrange.*

f. Village Energy Survey – Update

Cllr Bolton informed the meeting that Mr Boardman had agreed to look into the energy needs of the village, bulk purchase of fuel and sustainable energy. *Mr Boardman to report at a future meeting.*

6. Planning

a. New Applications to consider

11/01766/FUL Erection of single storey rear extension to provide kitchen/diner and bedroom with pitched roof above. Middle Cottage, Ashorne.

After discussion it was resolved unanimously to object to the application and send the following response.

'The Council observes that the prior application 10/01221/FUL was refused on Appeal primarily due to concerns over scale and bulk that had not been addressed from previous applications.

Having reviewed this application the Parish Council finds the photocopy of the plans of poor quality with no dimensions and is unable to ascertain the size of reduction. The accompanying design statement is almost identical to the previous one with one reference to a dimension being 6m instead of 9m.

In summary given the poor quality of the application the Parish Council cannot support the assertion that the Planning Inspectors issues have been addressed, and can therefore only fall in line with the Inspectors refusal. It would be the Council's recommendation that the applicant should employ a planning consultant / architect to address the issue of poor detail in the application, the Council may then be able to ascertain that the Inspector's issues have been addressed'

Clerk to send response to SDC Planning .

b. Decisions of committee

None.

c. District Decisions for information

- i) 11/00754/FUL Proposed revisions to dwelling on Plot 1 in a scheme for 3 replacement dwellings (amendments to approved scheme reference 10/02354/FUL) Flint Hall Cottages Newbold Pacey CV35 9DY - **Refused**
- ii) 10/02766/FUL Proposed demolition of existing dwelling and agricultural buildings and erection of replacement dwelling and detached garage. Change of use of part of the farmyard from agricultural to domestic curtilage (amendment to previously approved application ref: 09/00166/FUL). Flint Hall Newbold Pacey CV35 9DY - **Refused**
- 11/00620/FUL Alterations, extensions and loft conversion of the bungalow to create a two storey dwelling. The Russetts, Ashorne, Warwick, CV35 9DR – **Granted with Conditions**
- 11/001611/Tree T1 Yew: reduce height by 1.0 m and trim side growth to form basis of a ball shape by pruning back minor branches . Toulouse Cottage, Ashorne, Warwick, CV35 9DR – **Granted with conditions**

d. Planning Update

- i) Flint Hall Cottage – Banner homes Submitted Appeal

7. Finance

a. Approval of payments

The following payments were proposed by Cllr Cooper, seconded by Cllr Cook and approved unanimously.

i)	WCC Village Hut Printing	£11.00
ii)	Clement Keys audit	£144.00
iii)	Expenses – Cllt Thorton – emergency box	£3.98
iv)	Expenses – Cllr Cooper – parking	£8.90
v)	P Routly - Salary via D Tonks Direct debit	£350.86
vi)	P Routly – Expenses (July/August)	£83.92

b. Receipts

None.

c. Internal and External Audit Feedback

The clerk reported the Internal and external Audits were complete with no issues.

8. District Councillor's report

Cllr Wright informed the meeting that future development housing numbers had been set at 8000 between now and 2028, permission had already been granted for some of these already. The plan is for one of dispersal throughout the District, with no more than 100 in any one location. There was also a surplus of Commercial land. Cllr Main said barn conversions would be looked upon favourably, but development of redundant farms into industrial use would be discouraged due to HGV traffic.

9. County Councillor's report

Cllr Johnston informed the meeting the Youth Service was in danger due to funding cuts. There would also be cuts in opening times of the recycling sites. The Police Station in Wellesbourne will be turned back into a domestic dwelling.

10. Correspondence

For information the next Community Forum – 8th Sept

Gypsy survey – Cllr Cook agreed to respond

Verge cutting survey – Cllr Cook agreed to respond

Kineton Forum - Lorry letter – it was resolved to write to Munster Joinery

Diamond Jubilee – It was resolved to request volunteers in next Village Hut newsletter to form a committee.

11. Matters of interest – future meeting agenda items

Cllr Cooper raised the issue of the muddy patch or land outside Ashorne House that had been damaged by works at the house. *Cllr Bolton stated he would speak to Mr Darling about re-instatement.*

12. Any Other Business allowed by Chairman as Urgent

None.

13. Date of next meeting

It was resolved that the next meeting is to be held in the Ashorne Village Hall on Wednesday 2nd November 2011.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.30pm.