

NEWBOLD PACEY AND ASHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 5 JULY 2006

PRESENT: Councillors: P Cook (Chair), S Bolton, C Butterworth
and 2 members of the public.

Cllr Cook opened the meeting with a minute's silence to remember Cllr Anita Macaulay who tragically passed away in May.

1. Public participation

A resident requested that the Parish Council address the path across Chapel Meadow as it was overgrown. Cllr Cook volunteered to speak to the owners.

2. Declaration of Interest

Cllr Butterworth declared an interest in item 6.b.i.

3. Apologies for absences

Apologies received from Cllrs Thornton, Griffith, Cooper, Wright and Close.

4. Approval of minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd May 2006 were unanimously accepted as a true record of proceedings.

5. Matter arising from previous minutes

a. Cricket field update

Cllr Cook read correspondence received from Ladders Solicitors regarding the Village Green application. Cllr Cook then informed the meeting that Ms Bowen had appeared at her house apologising for what had happened to date and then the following week both Mr Darling and Ms Bowen had appeared at Cllr Cook's house. It now seems that they are willing to have a meeting with the Parish Council, without solicitors, to try to come to an agreement. This meeting was agreed upon and Cllr Cook volunteered to arrange this with Mr Darling.

b. State of footpaths

Cllr Cook informed the meeting that the Holloway had now been cut. Additionally it was reported that Mr Little has offered to donate two bags of No 1 stone to the village to put over the path by the cricket pavilion, providing the Parish Council can arrange for it to be laid. Mr Woodfin has already volunteered to assist.

c. Hedges on the Newbold Pacey to Moreton Morrell road.

No progress has been made in locating the owners of Flint Hall. Cllr Bolton volunteered to take up the search.

d. Millennium Oak

There was nothing to report on this item.

e. Middle Cottage

There was nothing to report on this item.

f. Enforcement complaint

The Clerk informed the Parish Council that a letter of complaint as to the service received from the enforcement department had been sent. A reply was received which appeared to miss the original point of the complain letter. The Clerk felt more investigation needed to be done before replying to the latest letter and sought the Council's approval that this take place. This was agreed.

g. Mr Boardman's fence

A letter was received from Mr Boardman stating that he is erecting a secondary fence on his side of the Village garden fence in order to keep animals out. It was stressed in the letter that this fence should not denote the boundary of his land. In addition Mr Boardman made the point that the Parish Council should consider repairs to the other fence. The Parish Council requested the Clerk send a letter of acknowledgement to Mr Boardman.

6. Planning

a. New Applications

- i. 06/01361/FUL- Proposed two storey extension and reconstruction of conservatory to rear. Fosse View, Ashorne.

b. Decisions out of committee

- i. 06/00196/FUL and 06/0200/LBC- Renewal of 01/00692/FUL- Ashorne Mgmt College, Ashorne. Grant.

c. District Decisions

- i. 06/00782/FUL- Erection of building for parking and storage of vehicles and trailers. The American Barns, Ashorne. Grant.

7. Finance

a. Approval of payments

The Parish Council agreed to following payments:

1.	5/7/06	E Spencer - Expenses	£9.42
2.	5/7/06	Lodders Solicitors	£940.00

It was also agreed to pay the Clerk's salary for May and June in accordance with the amount budgeted in the 2005/06 precept.

The Clerk also informed the Parish Council of the following receipts:

1.	HMCE- VAT refund	£232.13
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b. Internal audit

The Clerk reported that the internal audit had been completed and was passed. The Clerk also requested that a letter be sent to Kris Pietrescki on behalf of the Council to thank her for donating her time to complete the audit. This was agreed.

c. Statement of assurance

The Clerk read out the statement of assurance to the Parish Council and this was agreed with and duly signed by the Chairman.

8. District Councillor's report

There were no District Cllr's present therefore there was no report under this item.

9. County Councillor's report

There was no County Cllr present therefore there was no report under this item.

10. Police report

There were no police officers present therefore there is no report under this item.

11. Correspondence

A list of correspondence was produced and dealt with.

Cllr Cook informed of a Clerk and Chairman liaison meeting and expressed interest in going if the agenda, when published, appeared relevant to the parish. It was agreed that the Clerk would inform Cllr Cook once the agenda was known.

12. Matters of interest

a. Planning sub-committee

A new planning sub-committee has been formed to deal with all plans. The members are: Cllr Thornton (Chair), Cllr Bolton and Cllr's Cooper and Griffith who will rotate.

b. Grasscutting costs

It was suggested by Cllr Cook that the Parish Council absorb the cost of the grasscutting in the village now that the s136 has stopped. This was agreed.

c. Emergency plan update

The Clerk informed the meeting that the emergency plan needed to be assessed for alterations. It was requested that the Clerk liaise with Cllr Thornton on this matter.

13. Date of next meeting

The next meeting is to be held in the Newbold Pacey and Ashorne Village Hall on Wednesday 6th September 2006 at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.20 pm.