

# NEWBOLD PACEY AND ASHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 6<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2010

**PRESENT: Councillors:** S Bolton (Chair), C Thornton,  
J Cooper, P Cook , Cllr Boardman  
**District Cllrs:** R Wright  
**County Cllr:** D Johnston  
**Clerk:** P Routly  
And 1 members of the public.

### 1. Public participation

None.

### 2. Declaration of Interests

Cllr Bolton declared a personal interest in item 8a1 (as he arranged) . Cllr Cook and Cllr Thornton declared personal interests in items 8a3, 8a4 and 8a5 as members of the Village Hall Committee and Church.

### 3. Apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllr Main, Cllr Close and Cllr Pate .

### 4. Approval of Minutes of previous meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2009.

The Minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2009 were unanimously accepted as a true record of proceedings.

### 5. To approve and sign the minutes of the planning meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2009

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### 6. Matters arising

#### a. **Clock Painting – Cllr Bolton**

Cllr Bolton had been in touch with Mr Empringham and read an extract from his deeds, the deeds seem to imply the Parish Council has the right to maintain and wind the clock as long as it wishes .It was not clear from this information whether the Parish Council was responsible for the Clock tower maintenance as well as the ‘clock’ . After discussion it was resolved to seek quotations for the painting of the tower, as well as separate quotes for hire or scaffolding / cherry picker and decorator. The Parish Council would then discuss with Mr Empringham before accepting any responsibility. It was also resolved that the Clerk should seek grants for the work via WALC. *Cllr Bolton to seek quotes in conjunction with Clerk / Cllr Wright . Clerk to establish whether and grants are available.*

**b. Phone Box insurance feedback – Clerk**

The Clerk informed the meeting the current insurance covered the Parish Council for public liability but not for theft as long as an inspection sheet was kept. Theft cover for £1000 would cost £13.86. Theft cover was discussed and it was proposed by Cllr Cook not to insure the box (as it could not be replaced and was unlikely to be stolen), Cllr Cooper seconded this. Cllr Boardman voted against the motion but was carried by the majority. *Clerk to produce inspection sheet.*

**c. Footpaths Update – Cllr Bolton**

Cllr Bolton informed the meeting the Footpath group had surveyed the paths, and assessed the work to be carried out in the Spring.

**d. Feedback on meeting with Highways – Cllr Bolton**

Cllr Bolton informed the meeting he had met with Patch Byrn from WCC Highways Maintenance and Cllr Johnson and they had agreed to address drains by Ashorne Hill cottages, and install a horse sign by Bromson Hall stables.

**e. Allotments – Clerk**

The clerk informed the meeting she had let 1 vacant allotment, this left 4 vacant in a block. It was resolved to advertise in the Village hut news with the first year free.

**f. Oakley Woods report – Cllr Cooper**

Cllr Cooper informed the meeting there was ongoing discussion with Warwick District Council over the maintenance of the woods, either a single hit or in stages as preferred by Friends of Oakley Wood. She also informed the meeting the AGM of Friends of Oakley Wood would be held on 23/2/10 at the Bishops Tachbrook Sports and Social Club and all were welcome. It was agreed to add to Village Hut Newsletter.

**g. Community Forum Agenda items – All**

The forthcoming Community Forum to be held in Ashorne Village Hall on 4<sup>th</sup> Feb was discussed. It was agreed the Parish Council would want to discuss gritting and the recent use of the Holloway by 4X4's. There would also be a demonstration of a speed camera. *Cllr Boardman to arrange refreshments.*

**7. Planning**

**a. New Applications to consider**

None.

**b. Decisions of committee**

All decisions are contained within minutes of planning meeting on 15/12/2009

**c. District Decisions for information**

i) 09/01792/VARY Variation of condition 14 of 07/00747/FUL to allow the livery to offer a minimum of 80% DIY livery (Retrospective) . Bromson Hall Farm , Ashorne , Warwick , CV35 9AD . **Granted with Conditions.**

ii) 09/01659/FUL Single Storey extension to provide bedroom and bathroom. Pitched roof replacing existing flat roof and ancillary works to enlarge and insulate kitchen. Lowering of

existing building along boundary to Hinton Cottage . Middle Cottage, Ashorne, Warwick , CV35 9DR . **Refused.**

iii) 09/01258/FUL Erection of garage with playroom above (Amendment of 03/03570/FUL) Victoria Cottage, Ashorne. **Granted with Conditions**

iv) 09/01396/FUL Retrospective application for the retention of existing entrance gate Bromson Wood OS7100 On Ordnance Sheet SP 3257 And 3258 National Grid Bromson Hill Ashorne Warwick Warwickshire. **Withdrawn**

The clerk informed the meeting a further application was expected in a different location. Cllr's discussed this and stated they would still object as there was already problems with mud on the road.

**d. Planning issues.**

i) Planning enforcement – Crane Hill – Update

The Clerk informed the meeting the outcome of the planning applications for a ménage and driveway was still undecided, and no more had been heard with respect to the residential use. *Clerk to contact SDC Planning Enforcement.*

**8. Finance**

**a. Approval of payments**

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

1.	6/1/10	Flood box sand BPS	£36.79
2.	6/1/10	Village Hut Printing	£10.65
3.	6/1/10	Village Hall Rent 2010	£87.00
4.	6/1/10	Churchyard Grant	£260.00
5.	6/1/10	Village Hall Grant	£250.00
6.	6/1/10	P Routly - Salary (Nov/Dec)	£333.76
7.	6/1/10	P Routly – Expenses (Non/Dec)	£27.19
8.	6/1/10	G Wheeler – ease notice boards	£15.00

**b. Receipts**

None.

**c. Approval of asset register and depreciation**

The Clerk presented the asset register for year ending 2009, including depreciation of £200. Acceptance of the register was proposed by Cllr Thornton, seconded by Cllr Cook and approved unanimously.

**d. 2010/11 Allotment rental review – proposal to remain the same as March 10 @£14 per plot and £350 for the field (due March 11)**

After discussion it was resolved to raise the single plot rent to £15 per year from March 2011, and leave the field rent at £350. This was proposed by Cllr Cook, seconded by Cllr Cooper and approved unanimously.

**e. 2010/11 Budget approval**

The Clerk presented the budget for acceptance, this included and allowance for grass cutting, allowance for clock maintenance and £1500 for new projects. Acceptance was proposed by Cllr Cook, seconded by Cllr Thornton and approved unanimously.

**f. 2010/11 Precept approval – proposal to remain same as 2009/10 @£4725**

Acceptance was proposed by Cllr Cooper seconded by Cllr Boardman and approved unanimously.

**9. District Councillor's report**

Cllr Wright reported the draft core strategy for housing show an increase in units from 5,600 to 7,500 by 2026, he did not know when it would be adopted. The housing moratorium was also going to be lifted due to legal challenges by developers. He informed the meeting that the waste collection services were being disrupted due to the weather as well as the 3-week catch up from Christmas. Finally he informed the meeting the Scrutiny Committee was also to be involved in the budget setting, the proposal was for a standstill budget, and therefore there would be further cuts. Cllr Bolton raised the issue of wheelie bins on footpaths. Cllr Johnston said he would look into this.

**10. County Councillor's report**

Cllr Johnston spoke again about the gritting policy for hamlets (which Ashorne is classified as). It was agreed to raise again at the Community Forum as Ashorne is on a school bus route. Cllr Johnson also informed the meeting the decision on the Fire Service review would be delayed until after the election.

**11. Correspondence**

None.

**12. Matters of interest/Any other business**

Cllr Bolton informed the meeting there was a mains water leak by the cricket ground. *Clerk to inform Severn Trent and ascertain when the whole line is to be replaced.*

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2010 at 7.30 pm.

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