

WHITLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held on Monday 19th April 2010 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present:

C Straw Chairman
T Pitchford
T Moore
J Cooper
C Ure
S Tolson
J Shaw (Retiring Clerk)
K Moore (Clerk)
District Councillor M Byram

1. Apologies District Councillor N Wright

2. Minutes of Meeting of 1st March 2010

Were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

3. Confirmation of new Clerk

It was confirmed that Mrs Karen Moore would take over the position of Parish Clerk on a 4 hour per week basis.

4. Matters arising

- WVN committee had confirmed that advertisements are not to be allowed in Whitley Village News but announcements for activities in the village are acceptable.
- No correspondence has been received from Whitley School, letter to be written by Chairman to John Stevens at Children's Services.
- The application for the Community Pride Competition has been completed by John Shaw.
- AGM is to be 17th May 2010; Annual Parish Assembly will take place after. Open forum for opening of No2 Pit to be included.
- Incinerators at Wincham, Lostock and Brunner Mond discussed letter of objection to Brunner Mond application to be written by Chairman making reference to increase in road traffic on village roads.
- Work on A49 completed, Clerk to write letter of thanks to Karen Malloy of the Highways Department of the Council but a note to be made that although the warning signs have been fitted the speed at which they are activated is thought to be set too high (over 65mph not 55mph) and a couple of them are not working.
- Chairman to write to enforcement regarding landscaping to front of Five Oaks, Raddel Lane.
- District Cllr M Byram thanked the Council for their kind letter following the illness of his wife.

5. General correspondence to hand since 1st March 2010

- Letter from Whitley Village Hall Management Committee regarding introduction of an invoicing process. £120 is paid per year and an invoice is to be issued for the last 2 years totalling £240.
- CALC membership fee to be paid of £130.19 plus 1 copy of magazine at £13.50.
- Cheshire County Playing Fields Association membership fee to be paid.
- Letter copied to us from Mr E Naylor sent to Karen Malloy, Highways and Transportation, regarding the A49.

6. Finances

Bills Approved and Paid:

WMT Outdoor Services. Repaint Millennium Seat	Chq No. 795	£ 96.00
Mid Cheshire Footpath Society. Sub	Chq No. 796	£ 8.00
Cheshire Community Action. Best Kept Village entry	Chq No. 797	£ 28.00
Copy Centre Village News Printing (March)	Chq No. 798	£ 49.90
Clerks half year Salary (less Tax)	Chq No. 799	£330.00
Clerks half year Inland revenue	Chq No. 800	£220.00
Clerks Postage List	Chq No. 801	£ 13.97

Balance of Reserve Account at 19th April 2010 £12,189.20
Unpresented Copy Centre Cheque £49.90

Bills Approved and to be Paid:

Cheshire County Playing Fields Association Subs	£ 16.00
WMT Outdoor Services. Verge mowing (1 of 14)	£ 77.50
Copy Centre Village News Printing (April)	£ 49.90
Cheshire Association of Local Councils (CALC)	£143.69
Whitley Village Hall (2008/09 + 2009/10 hire)	£240.00

7. Planning

No planning applications received.

8. A49

Parking on the footway at Norcott Brook has been raised by Mrs Cairns, Mrs Cooper to contact Richard Flood in Highways as to a possible solution to parking for residents.

See Matters Arising for further actions.

9. No.2 Pit

The signed lease has been passed to Chester, it was agreed to complete signing and sort out damaged fence after. Probation Services (Community Pay Back) are to help with Pit, they will work for free, be fully supervised and given training. We are to supply all materials. Mrs Cooper to meet a group on site Thursday 22nd April to litter pick, a meeting to be held after this to look at ways forward.

10. Lower Whitley Copse Project

More work needs to be carried out and there are a few trees still to be cut down. Path work requires extending.

11. CALC Report

None

12. A.O.B. and Business for next meeting:

A very big thank you was extended to John Shaw for all his hard work over the last 5 years as the Clerk; we wish him all the best.

13. Date of next meeting:

AGM Monday 17th May 2010 at 7.30pm Village Hall
Followed by the Annual Parish Assembly.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.30pm

Signed..... Chairman

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