

# **WALL PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 28th.  
March, 2012 at 7.30pm in Wall Village Hall.**

## **Members Present:**

**M. J. Crowe – Chairman      C. M. Rubisch      J. Linney      R. Barker**  
**P. Sampson                  A. Ryman                  F. Ellett**

## **In Attendance:**

**R. Catmur – Parish Clerk**

**10 Members of the public  
(including County Councillor Erica  
Bayliss, District Councillors Rita Hancocks  
and David Salter)**

**Action**

### **1.      Apologies received**

All Councillors were present

### **2      Absence noted and approved**

All Councillors were present

### **3.      Approval of minutes of meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup>. January, 2012**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting, held on 25<sup>th</sup>. January, 2012 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

### **4      Declaration of interests**

Councilors Ellett and Crowe declared an interest in item 13 – Muckley Corner Common

**The Chairman adjourned the meeting**

### **5.      Public session**

The Chairman was aware that the number of visitors from Pouk Lane was due to a planning application. In view of that he had brought forward application No.12/00211/FUL, which sought to increase the number of car boot sales from 14 to 42 days per year, on land adjoining Pouk Lane.

All residents were strongly against the proposal for many reasons, including rubbish, pollution, errors with the application and road problems. Particular emphasis was given to the pollution of Crane brook. All of the residents of Pouk Lane had written protesting and the PC agreed to do likewise.

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### **Public session – continued**

A resident wished to record his thanks, to Councillor Sampson, for the work that he had done in improvements around the Village.

### **The Chairman reconvened the meeting**

#### **6. Clerk's report**

The Clerk advised that he had nothing to add that was not covered by the agenda.

#### **7. Correspondence**

Community Council of Staffordshire, invitation for membership. It was agreed to become members..

**Clerk 30/03**

SCC letter re Ice Clearing by the PC.

SCC Core strategy 2010 – 2026.

E-on offering their services.

SCC Community Paths initiative – bids 2012 – 2013.

The Parish Church of St. John, Wall Churchyard maintenance for 2011.

SCC letter re theft of grit (rock salt).

Staffordshire Police changes to governance of policing.

#### **8. Councillor's business**

Councillor Ryman was still very concerned with the speed of traffic travelling along Claypit Lane. He would like to see a camera van or a speed indicator, as he believed an accident would occur soon.

County Councillor Bayliss had previously observed that it was a rural location and could not have either of these facilities. However, she thought the best way forward was to contact the Safety Partnership and request a rubber strip, that would record the number of vehicles and the speed. When this information was available it maybe possible to progress this further.

**Clerk 02/04**

Councillor Barker advised that the cost to the Church for maintaining the Church yard had risen to £1,400 and wondered if the PC could contribute more that the £1,000 already earmarked for them. The Chairman was sympathetic but pointed out that the PC's precept had not been increased for next year. It was agreed to review that later in the year and the Church was asked to consider allowing Greenlands Garden Maintenance to quote for the job.

**Clerk 04/04**

Councillor Linney asked if Market Lane could be tidied. The chairman stated that the lengthsman agreement would cover that and will be used in the next financial year.

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### **Councillor's business – continued**

The Chairman drew attention to a planning request that, although outside Wall boundary, was close to it. The request for 6 static buildings and 6 caravans at the end of the old Lichfield Road to the West of the M6 Toll had been made. It was agreed to object on the basis that it was inappropriate, bearing in mind that no services were available.

Clerk 02/04

### **9. District and County Councillor's comments**

County Councillor Bayliss promised to keep on trying to get some type of speed control on Claypit Lane.

District Councillor Salter mentioned the introduction of new planning rules that significantly reduced the previous number of pages. He felt that the PC should look at the introduction of a Parish Plan and agreed to contact a colleague to arrange a meeting.

DC Salter

### **10. Dog bin**

The Clerk had been asked at the last meeting, to establish the cost of installing a dog bin. He advised £255 plus £2.20 per week for emptying. After some discussion it was considered too expensive.

### **11. BKV competition and Annual Parish meeting**

The Clerk had been surprised at the assistance that had been given by all sub-contractors and Councils when he had approached them. All improvements had been completed almost immediately. He tabled a statement that was intended to be circulated around the Village advising residents of the decision to enter the BKV competition and to advise them of the date of the Parish meeting. The date of the 23<sup>rd</sup>. April was agreed and the Clerk will post the notices.

Clerk 29/03

### **12. Muckley Corner Common – C/M update**

The Chairman was dissatisfied with the lack of progress at LDC, in finalising Section 106 money and it maybe that an outstanding amount of £27K approximately, may have to be handed back. It had been suggested that a 3 year maintenance contract be given to a sub-contractor. After some discussion it was agreed that such a contract could be given, in principal, hence ring-fencing the money.

C/M & C. Ellett

### **13. Insurance renewal**

The Clerk was pleased to report a reduction in the insurance premium from £265 to £225 and an improvement in cover. The new premium was agreed.

Clerk 30/03

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### **14. Clerk's financial reports**

The Clerk circulated details of the current bank account, that indicated a favourable balance of £342.73

Cheques approved and signed at the meeting were

:	£
Wall Village Hall	36.00
R. Catmur	1,613.79
Paul Sampson	197.23
Zurich Municipal	225.00
SPCA	154.77
LDC	89.50

### **15. Planning applications**

Planning application No.12/00193/FUL for the demolition of walls to the rear section, alterations to front elevation, construction of new rear walls and increase in height of roof to form 3 two bedroom dwellings at Olde Corner House Hotel, was not objected to by the PC.

Planning application No. 11/01233/FUL for the erection of an agricultural grain store at Pipe Place Farm was approved by LDC.

Planning application No. 11/01294/FUL for the installation of 16 solar panels at Meadow Croft, Pouk Lane was approved by LDC.

Planning application No.11/01353/FUL for a single storey and first floor extensions at The Beeches, Pouk Lane was approved by LDC.

### **16. Date of next meeting**

The date of the next meeting will be 30<sup>th</sup>. May, 2012 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

### **Meeting closure**

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15pm



