

# 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

3 Members of the public  
(including County Councillor Erica  
Bayliss & District Councillor Rita Hancocks)  
Apologies had been received from David  
Salter.

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### 1. Apologies received

All Councillors were present

### 2. Absence noted and approved

All Councillors were present

### 3. Approval of minutes of meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup>. March, 2012

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting, held on 28<sup>th</sup>. March, 2012 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

#### **Matters arising from previous minutes**

The Chairman reported that a Stop Notice would be served tomorrow on the organizers of the Pouk Lane car boot sale.

Signage for the car boot sale had been fixed to street furniture. This is being monitored.

A sign 'Not suitable for HGV' had been installed at the entrance to the Village.

### 4. Declaration of interests

No Councillor declared an interest

### 5. Welcome to the new Clerk

The Chairman, on behalf of the PC, welcomed Claire Dillow, the new Clerk and introduced her to the Councillors. A presentation was made to the retiring Clerk.

**The Chairman adjourned the meeting**

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### **Public session**

No resident wished to speak.

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

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

The Clerk explained the SCC procedure for the grass cutting and Lengthsman agreements and stressed the importance of invoicing as much of the whole order as possible. He advised that he had been contacted by the Safety Partnership, who had arranged a speed test on Ashcroft Lane. This had been positive and they were in the process on introducing regular speed monitoring. Councillor Ryman hoped that it would also cover the road outside his sheds. He concluded by advising that the Community Team would be in Wall on 15 and 16<sup>th</sup>. June.

#### **7. Correspondence**

A letter of complaint had been received from J. Venables, The Old Shop Cottage, re parking outside the Village Hall. It was pointed out that the white lines are for when a function is in progress and the contractor responsible was, again, doing work for the Hall on a gratis basis. Community Council of Staffordshire letter, welcoming the Village to the BKV competition. Staffordshire and Stoke on Trent Joint Waste Core Strategy Framework. SCC letter advising that they are undertaking an energy conservation initiative that may mean the dimming of street lights from late evening to early morning. There could be the opportunity to extinguish the lights during that time but there will be further communications from SCC. An invitation from St. John's Church for the Diamond Jubilee on 3<sup>rd</sup>. June.

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

Councillor Linney reported that he had received complaints from residents about motorbikes, racing sports cars on the A5. The Chairman understood that the necessary paperwork was being drawn up to stop them meeting at Bassets Pole. It will be reported to the Police.

**Clerk 06/06**

Councilor Sampson was pleased to report that the work had been completed on the car park and suggested that a letter be sent to the community team, thanking them for their efforts. The Chairman thanked Mr. Sampson for supervising them.

**Clerk 05/06**

Councillor Ellett stated that Cranebrook Lane, like many other country roads, were becoming narrower as contractors tarred up to the grass without cutting it back. County Councillor Bayliss will mention it to Highways. He pointed out that the manhole cover outside Councillor Sampson's residence, needed to be replaced.

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**9. Donation to St. John's Church**

It was pointed out that, at the May meeting each year, the question of how much should be allocated to St. John's Church was discussed.. It was proposed by Councillor Rubisch that £1,000 be made. This was seconded by Councillor Ellett and carried unanimously. The Chairman stated that he was aware that the Church had incurred extra costs and may ask for further money later in the year.

**10. Jubilee Milestone**

The Chairman reported that drawings and costings had been completed on the proposed Wall Jubilee Roman Milestone. The cost, including design and installation was £3,000. County Councillor Bayliss wondered if it could be put through the PC to enable the VAT to be recovered. There was some discussion on whether some grants would be unavailable to PC's and this will be pursued. He was pleased to report that County Councillor Bayliss had donated £1,000 to the project. The PC expressed their gratitude. Councillor Ellett proposed and Councillor Sampson seconded the project be given the go –ahead provided that funds were available.

**11. Clerk's financial reports**

The Clerk circulated details of the current bank account, that indicated a favourable balance of £4,324.86

Cheques approved and signed at the meeting were

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Wall Village Hall	54.00
R. Catmur	288.07
Paul Sampson	41.18
Greenlands Garden	397.00
Npower	69.75
Came & Company	265.00
St. John's Church	!,000.00

**12. Planning applications**

Planning application No.12/00335?FUL for a two storey side extension to form kitchen, conservatory and bedroom at Woodcote House, Market Lane was queried by the PC. The information was insufficient to enable a judgement to be made if the site would be over developed. The Clerk

**Planning applications – continued**

will speak to LDC to obtain the full set of documents.

**Clerk 03/06**

Planning application No12/00211/FUL for an increase in car boot sales from 14 to 42 and to relinquish land for car boot sales North of Ivy House Farm was discussed. The Chairman pointed out that the application had been withdrawn.

**14 Annual Audit**

The Clerk tabled the completed Annual Audit papers and the Chairman signed them.

**15. Date of next meeting**

The date of the next meeting will be 25<sup>th</sup>. July 2012 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

**Meeting closure**

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45pm

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**Chairman**

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**Date**

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