## WALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2013 at 7.30pm in Wall Village Hall.

**Members Present:** 

M. J. Crowe – Chairman F Ellett C Rubisch

P Sampson J Linney R Barker

In Attendance:

C. Dillow – Parish Clerk, 3 members of the public

(Including District Councillors Mrs R Hancocks, Mr D Salter and County

**Councillor Mr D Smith)** 

Action

1. Apologies received

Apologies were received from Councillor A Ryman

2. Absence noted and approved

Noted and approved

3. Declaration of interests

None declared.

4. Approval of minutes of meetings held on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2013

The minutes of the Parish Council meetings, held on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2013 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

5. Matters arising from the previous minutes

Councillor Sampson reported the Electricity sub station has been re-painted and it has been very well done, the bent Lichfield District Council sign has still not been replaced, the Clerk will chase this up again. Councillor Linney reported the grass cutting on the Butts is very untidy, the Clerk has previously reported Bromford Housing are responsible for the cutting and will write a further letter to request that the grass left is removed. Mr Sampson reported the car park project has been completed. It was noted the County Council don't supply sand bags.

## 6. The Chairman adjourned the meeting

### 7. Public session

No public in attendance

### 8. The Chairman reconvened the meeting

## 9. Clerk's report & Correspondence

The Clerks report was tabled and it was noted that Mr Catmur has recorded £19.32 in leaflet sales. The Clerk will investigate sharing the cost of the Society of local council clerks membership with her other employer's for the future. The Clerk tabled a copy of an email received from the Staffordshire Parish Councils Association regarding calculations of Council tax bands and setting of precepts for 2014/15, it was noted further information is required before the precept can be decided.

## 10. Councillor's business

Councillor Linney reported there has been evidence of people parking outside residents homes that they are not visiting. The Chairman added no action can be taken unless they are restricting the driveways.

### 11. District & County Councillors comment's

Councillor Salter reported the Post Office in Shenstone will be closing but it is trying to open elsewhere, possibly in the coffee shop or the newsagents. Mr Salter also commented on the Community Speed Watch, It was noted the Police need to know what areas need covering and / or reassessing. The Chairman noted that Watling Street is not on Google Earth and an ambulance recently had problems finding it. Councillor Smith reported on Action for Staffordshire part of It's strategy is traffic issues, as well as tackling many other issues such as malnutrition and Alzheimer's. It was noted that if there are any further responses to the Electorial Review of Lichfield comments need to be in from the Parish Council or individuals by 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2014. Councillor Smith also commented that the County Council will not supply sandbags unless it is an emergency, in the event of any flooding the fire brigade should be called. He also mentioned a proposal for an extension of the existing office campus at Lichfield South to develop further grade A Headquarters office buildings together with a research centre, the developers would like an opportunity if possible to present a display to Shenstone & Wall, open to the public and answer any questions.

## 12. To receive any requests for funding through the Clerk

Councillor Smith requests a donation for Action for Staffordshire toward the costs of dealing with the traffic issues. It was noted other Parish Council's in the area have made contributions. **Resolved** to fund £50.00 to Action for Staffordshire.

St Johns Church request a donation towards the purchase of a new mower. **Resolved** to fund £160.00 toward the purchase of a new mower.

It was noted the Clerk is to contact the Church to request a copy of the current maintenance contract and breakdown of costs.

# Clerk

## 13. To receive update on Neighbourhood Planning

The Clerk reported an application is to be made to Lichfield District Council to designate the Wall Area, this then has to go to a 6 week Consultation period which will be advertised. The Clerk has taken advice from Lichfield District who have suggested the Parish Council also advertise the counsultation by way of newsletter / Websites / Noticeboards if these are available. **Resolved** Clerk to produce Volume 2 of a Parish Clerk Newsletter and liaise with Lichfield District Council for dates of the consultation period to be advertised in the newsletter and distributed to all households in the Parish.

### 14. To agree itms for Lenghtmans Scheme and Approve order of works

The Chairman will walk the Parish to determine areas that require work as per previously circulated email.

**Resolved** to instruct the Lenghtmans to carry out any necessary work up to the value of the Lengthmans agreement.

## 15. Clerk financial report – Appendix 2

The Clerk circulated details of the current bank account, that indicated a favourable balance of £1853.31

Cheques approved and signed at the meeting were:

DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	CHQ NO
27/11/2013	Wall village hall – room	18.00	000517
	hire November 2013		
	C Dillow – Salary for	294.73	000518
27/11/203	October & November Incl		
	mileage & Exp		
27/11/2013	P Sampson	15.98	000519
27/11/2013	Greenlands	261.00	000520
27/11/2013	N Power	30.40	000521

## 17. Planning applications – Appendix 3

No planning applications for consideration.

The Chairman informed the Council that the Clerk had not received any papers for the original planning application at Moat Bank Lane, this has now been approved but there are still on going issues. **Resolved** Clerk to check weekly list to see if the planning application was listed.

Clerk

# 18. <u>Planning Decisions – Appendix 3</u>

None received.

# 19. <u>Date of next meeting</u>

The date of the next meeting will be  $29^{th}$  January 2014 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

# **Meeting closure**

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at  $9.55 \mathrm{pm}$ 

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Chairman	Date	