

WALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday
29th May, 2013 at 7.30pm in Wall Village Hall.

Members Present:

M. J. Crowe – Chairman J. Linney C Rubisch

P. Sampson R Barker A Ryman F Ellett

In Attendance:

C. Dillow – Parish Clerk,

2 members of the public
(Including District Councillor Mr D Salter
and County Councillor Mr D Smith)

Action

1. Apologies received

No Apologies were received through the clerk

2. Absence noted and approved

Apologies were noted and approved

3. Approval of minutes of meetings held on 27th March and the Annual Parish Meeting of 24th April

The minutes of the Parish Council meetings, held on 27th March and, 24th April 2013 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

4. Matters arising from the previous minutes

Councillor Sampson reported regarding item 10 Community Speed Watch a gun has been borrowed by PCSO Brian Harbon, everything is in place and ready to go. It was noted that the point on Ashcroft lane should be reviewed.

Councillor Salter reported that he had received an email to say funds have been received for a new battery pack. Councillor Ryman reported that he had been to crossroads and made a suggestion about relocating the site but they wouldn't listen. Regarding item 11 Councillor Salter reported that extra dog fouling signs have been received and placed. Councillor Sampson reported that the phone lines in Market Lane and over hanging branches are still causing a problem. The road markings opposite the Trooper have been replaced, Mary Lee of Staffordshire County Council has confirmed the grit bin by the bus shelter is not in her remit. It is very unlikely that they will be able to supply the service road with grit, clerk to write to Highways Agency, also the sign on Claypit Lane has been replaced.

Regarding item 18 Councillor Crowe reported that the new signs

are now in place and the old one taken away.

5. Declaration of interests

Councillor J Crowe, P Sampson, F Ellet and J Linney declared an interest in Item 16 of the agenda

6. The Chairman adjourned the meeting

7. Public session

No public in attendance

8. The Chairman reconvened the meeting

9. Clerk's report

The Clerk report was tabled and it was noted that R Catmur has recorded £23.55 in leaflet sales, the clerk reported that she has placed as many Recycling / dog fouling / BKV posters around the village as possible, Also some dog fouling bags have been placed FOC in the village hall.

10. Correspondence

The clerk reported that the internal audit had been received and was satisfactory, the annual return was approved and signed by the Chairman, Clerk to submit.

Clerk

The clerk tabled the insurance renewal documents for 2013/14

Resolved to continue the renewal with Came & Company as the parish council have previously agreed a Long term Agreement. The clerk reported the Annual Subscription with Staffordshire Parish Council Association is now due for 2013/14 **Resolved** to renew the Annual Subscription for 2013/14.

The clerk reported the Annual agreement for Lenghtmans has increased Slightly for 2013/14

The clerk tabled the bank form and this was completed to allow for a change of address for the statements to be sent to the Clerk.

The clerk tabled an invitation from Burntwood Town Council and this was noted.

11. Councillor's business

Coucillor Linney reported that the boxes on the back of the mowers were not being used when grass cutting was taking place in front of the properties on the Butts. **Resolved** clerk to write a letter to Homezone expressing our concerns with the mess left behind from the grass cuttings.

Clerk

Councillor Sampson reported that he and Cllr J Crowe had met with Mary Lee of Staffordshire County Council and had walked the village, an extensive List of repairs were listed, there is enough work for 2 days for 2 men.

It was noted that the damaged Wall Sign belongs to District council, the Electricity sub station doors are unsightly, never been painted and the Bollard in the middle of Watling Street junc A5 is in an unacceptable state

Resolved Clerk to report all of the above as it is affecting the BKV

Clerk

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Library is now ready it just needs signs. It was noted that the Royalmail Postbox needs repainting. Councillor Crowe reported that the ditch on Green Lane near to Wall Farm is holding water and it needs bottoming out.

12. District and County Councillors report

Councillor D Salter reported that the increase of days for car boot sales has been refused. Councillor D Smith reported that a stop notice has been served on the cemetery site and an amended application has been submitted. All applications for Gypsy sites have been called in by Government. He advised to be aware that people are buying fields in the area and putting in live stock initially then building barns and such like and he informed members of all the issues he will be working on to take things forward as a whole.

13. To receive update re damaged bench & costs for replacement

Members thanked Councillor Ryman and family for seeding the area. The clerk tabled some costs to replace the bench in wood or recycled Plastic, Councillor Sampson also provided a quotation for a wooden Bench. Councillor Linney added he has a bench he may wish to Donate and he will decide in the next 2 weeks, he asked if a brass Plaque could be placed on the bench with some choice wording.

Resolved the council will take councillor Linney up on his offer if he Chooses to go ahead or if not the Riverside bench quotation provided by Councillor Sampson will be purchased.

14. Layby A5 to receive details of accident

Councillor Ellett reported that another accident has occurred on the Layby westbound of the village and Muckley corner, issues have been raised before with highways concerning the dangers and there have been 2 fatalities recently, the layby should be closed. Councillor D Smith has a meeting shortly to discuss highway issues. **Resolved** clerk to bullet point the issues and send to Councillor Smith who will raise the point at his meeting and clerk to write to Amey with the councils concerns and invite them over for a meeting.

Clerk

15. To receive update re nuisance noise

Councillor Crowe reported that several complaints had been received concerning White Ladies and dogs barking, it is unsure if it is being used as a kennels or business. A building has been erected but no planning consent has been sought. Councillor Rubisch reported that he has seen a new fence being erected. The dogs have been reported to the RSPCA and enforcement cases have been issued.

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16. Grants request – Wall Village Hall Management Committee

A request has been received from the Village Hall Management Committee for funding toward a new shed to be erected at the back of the village hall to provide much needed external storage facilities which they are currently lacking. The hall is widely used by a number of local groups and the Community Pay Back Team are also using the hall to store tools which due to health and safety need to be stored away from the inside of the hall. County Councillor Mr D Smith suggested a further application can be made for funding by the village hall management committee through the Staffordshire local community fund.

Recommended Clerk to check with SPCA how the council stands in regards to grants and reclaiming VAT if the parish council are to take on management of the project.

Clerk

Resolved to support the village hall management committee with £250.00 funding from the Parish Council toward the cost of the project and to allow the Chairman and Vice Chair to act once clarification has been obtained regarding grants and VAT.

17. Clerk financial report – Appendix 2

The Clerk circulated details of the current bank account, that indicated a favourable balance of £4796.74

Cheques approved and signed at the meeting were

	£
C Dillow	£408.30
Village Hall	£27.00
SPCA	£140.67
N Power	£69.50
Greenlands	£460.00
P Sampson	£86.61

18. Planning applications – Appendix 3

13/00385/FUL – PCC & Incumbent of The Parish of St Johns Church
-Single Storey side extension to form meeting room, WC and lobby

Resolved to raise no objections to this application

19. Planning Decisions – Appendix 3

13/00034/FUL – Former the olde corner house hotel, Walsall Rd, Muckley Corner – Erection of 3 bedroom detached bungalow with alterations to parking and associated landscaping – **REFUSED**

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13/00159/FUL – Pipe place farm, Walsall Rd, Pipehill – Installation of 198 roof mounted photovoltaic panels – **GRANTED**

13/00198/FUL – Wall House, Green Lane, Lichfield – Proposed single storey garden building adjoining garden wall to create indoor swimming pool (extension of time to application 10/00536/FUL) – **GRANTED**

13/00091/FUL – Railway Cottage, Fossey Lane, Lichfield – Single storey extensions to form dining room and porch – **GRANTED**

12/01177/FUL – Grange Farmhouse, Ashcroft, Wall – Non Material Amendment to planning permission – addition of windows and rooflights and raising floor level of kitchen extension – **GRANTED**

Planning decisions were received and noted

Planning Appeals –

13/00034/FUL – Former the olde corner house hotel, Walsall Rd, Muckley Corner
Erection of 3 bedroom detached bungalow with alterations to parking and associated landscaping – **APPEAL STARTED 22ND APRIL 2013**
Resolved the councils original comments still stand.

Enforcement Complaints –

The development at Moat Bank Farm has been logged as an enforcement case, ref. **13/00114/ENFDE**. There is no record of any planning applications for a new building or a menage. A site visit will be carried out and wall parish council will be given an update

White Ladies Gate, Green Lane, Wall has been logged as an enforcement case ref. 13/00088/ENFDE). Nuisance Noise, the matter has also been logged with Environmental Health. Wall Parish Council will be given an update.

Enforcement complaints were received and noted

22. Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting will be 24th July 2013 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Meeting closure

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

Chairman

Date