

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON **TUESDAY 6<sup>th</sup> July 2010** IN THE JUBILEE ROOM OF THE VILLAGE HALL

Present: Councillors: Peter Ashman (Chairperson), J. Burgess, I Eve, S. Childs, S. Cook, L. Lumley and Lynn Thornton (Clerk)

REF	Action
<p>105/10 <u>New Councillors co-opted onto the Council</u>            Cllr Peter Ashman opened the meeting and welcomed all those in attendance.</p> <p>Cllr Ashman invited Mr Lumley, Mrs Childs and Mr Cook to be co-opted onto the Council. The declaration of office and code of conduct were completed, signed and countersigned by the clerk. All the new councillor's were welcomed to the Parish Council.</p>	
<p>106/10 <u>Open Forum</u></p> <p>Mrs Gammon addressed the council to request they lend there support to the Cam Valley cycle path. The project has been put on hold due to funding and with the current financial situation it could be axed. All individuals particularly Children need a safe place to practice cycling and it would be a great loss if this project was not supported through to the final stage. The Chair responded that the council are sympathetic but need more details before this could be discussed by the council, clerk to place on the agenda for the next meeting.</p> <p>Mr Mottee requested the cycle path be discussed under AOB, but he chair reiterated that more details are needed before the council could take this matter any further.</p> <p>Mrs Gammon has spoken to County Cllr Dennis Andrewartha and he has offered his support.</p> <p>Mr Mottee wished to address the council regarding the recent grant made to the Church. Mr Mottee did not feel it was fair that the village hall were awarded £1500.00 and the Church only £350.00. The Church is completely independent they do not have a lot of funds, Mr Mottee wished to know if the decision to offer 50% to all grant application which has been the case for the last two applications is the new procedure. The Chair stated that each grant application would be discussed on its own merits and the Council has not set any precedence. Mr Mottee would like to ask for the other half of the money towards the new lawnmower, the chair advised he would need to go through the correct channels and obtain an application form from the clerk, which will then be brought before the council.</p>	Clerk
<p>107/10 <u>Apologies</u>            None received</p>	
<p>108/10 <u>Declarations of Interest by Councillors</u>            None</p>	

109/10 Minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2010 were approved and signed as a true and correct record by those present at the meeting.

110/10 Accounts

a) Incomes received and payments for authorisation

Income Received

NONE		
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Payments for Authorisation

L. Thornton	341.80	Wage (June 10)
Moore Stephens	158.63	External Audit
L Thornton	165.00	2 replacement swings
Coaley PCC	303.96	Grant Application
Greenville Grounds	120.00	Grass Cutting
Coaley Village Hall	72.00	Hire of jubilee Room Apr/May/June & Annual Assembly
L Thornton	2.46	Stamps
Aon	1080.94	Annual Insurance Payment
TW Hawkins	456.71	Grass Cutting
GAPTC	240.00	Training courses for Councillors

111/10 Allocation of responsibilities for Councillors

As the council is new, the individuals responsibilities were re-distributed:

Tree Warden - S Childs

Village Hall representative – L Lumley

CoSPA – P Ashman

Community Safety – P Ashman

Footpaths & PROW – I Eve

Transport – I Eve

Environment – S Childs

Highways – I Eve

Allotments – J Burgess

Recreation & Leisure – J Burgess

Snow Wardens – no Change – Sara Mather, M Jones and Mr Robinson

112/10 Clerks Report

The clerk confirmed TW Hawkins are contracted to cut back 7 footpaths in the village. After speaking to the company it became clear that this is not happening due to them not knowing which ones should be strimmed. The clerk has sent TW Hawkins a copy of the map, so from now on the 7 footpaths will be cutback on a 6 weekly cycle. TW Hawkins have assured the clerk that the parish Council has not been charged for the footpaths even though they were quoted for them, the clerk will go over the past invoices and ensure this is the case.

- 113/10 Bridleway adjacent to Twyning Ash  
It has been brought to the councils attention that the bridleway is being blocked, the landowner is purposely blocking the PROW and it is understood that there is historical precedence for the bridleway to be in existence. The council is now awaiting confirmation on the situation and will report back once an update has been received.
- 114/10 C&G building society  
The chair reported that the existing account being held at the C&G is no longer viable. Cllr Ashman has investigated the possibility of a current account at Lloyds, there do not appear to be any hidden charges. The account would operate through a cheque book which require 2 signatures, these could be signed at the meeting and then sent by the clerk. The council discussed the options and all agreed to open a new account with Lloyds and run the existing C&G account along side until everything can be moved over. Clerk and Cllr Ashman to organise an appointment at Lloyds.
- 115/10 Review of contract for works  
Cllr Ashman asked all councillors to monitor the footpaths in their area of the village, these should be maintained by TW Hawkins and if this does not being done the contractors need to be contacted.
- 116/10 Allotment Updates  
Cllr Burgess reported Hamshill and Far Green are both fine. Mrs Crumpton at Hamshill is happy she can now access her fence, the council will monitor the situation and ensure 1 Hamshill maintains the allotment. Cllr Burgess has asatained that the council is not legally obliged to provide water. The allotment opposite Greenaways farm now has a large stone placed in the gateway, Mr Williams has also topped the field and is planning to put horses in there as the hedge is not secure enough for sheep. The rent will be waived for this year as Mr Williams has assisted in maintaining the land. In the near future the post on one side of the gate will need to be replaced.
- 117/10 Playarea Update  
The clerk has ordered the swings; these will be delivered to one of the councillors when they arrive. Cllr Ashman topped up the edges to stop the trip hazards, pea gravels has been placed under the soft pore but Cllr Ashman is not over happy with the result.
- 118/10 Village Maintenance  
Nothing to report
- 119/10 Highways Repairs & Maintenance  
A team went up to access the condition of The Knapp, Mr Portlock will advise when this can receive attention. The culverts on Trenley Road will not be jetted out until Mr Portlock can get the use of a jet wash for the day. On a section of the road opposite the entrance to Pinnells End Lane, a vehicle was off loaded from a low loader and has ripped the top layer off the road.
- 120/10 Any other business  
The council discussed grant applications, each application will be assessed on its own merits, and the council will make an informed decision after viewing the application and any supporting quotes.

Clerk/  
Cllr  
Ashman

121/10 Matters for forward consideration  
Lynette Wilcox – acknowledge service to the council.

Items for Press Release  
Minutes

Items for Publication  
Minutes

Date of the next meeting  
7<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30 pm

Meeting closed at 9.14pm.